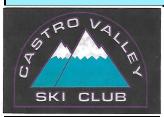
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SkiZette Policy NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: 1st of the month Articles submitted by this date will be included in the following month's newsletter . Submit articles to: Dennie Warren, Editor email: dennieluuu1@gmail.com



Didn't get your newsletter? - Change of Address? -PLEASE Contact Maggie Jong, VP Membership email: mozoro25@gmail.com

SPORTING GOODS EXCHANGE

Got any sporting equipment (i.e. skis, snowboards) and/or clothing that you no longer can use, don't want, etc..... let me know & I'll put it here!!!!

OR.... If you need the above let me know as well!!!

This also goes for winter/ski cabins that you'd like to offer for rent or are looking for same.... Let me know!!!!

GREENHOUSE MARKET-PLACE

Do you do lots of canning (fruit — jams/ jellies/preserves) and would like members to know about it — let me know & the word will go here!!!!!

Are you blessed with culinary expertise (make pies, special desserts, etc) and would like to share?? Also, let me know!!!!!

President's Message

Happy New Year everyone! We hope for a wonderful, healthy 2021.



The snow and skiing are here, however, the resorts have new restrictions so please check before you go. Also, all rac-

Claudia Fernandes President

ing, for the current winter season, has been canceled.

It is with heavy heart that I let everyone know that our past president Karen Wehrman passed away after Christmas. She was a dear friend to many, and a passionate woman who led our club for many years wanting to make our club better every year! We will miss her terribly. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Jim and her family.

These are crazy times and I know we all look forward to better days ahead and a return to normal, whatever that may be. We look forward to getting together.

Until we can meet again stay safe, be well, and enjoy your family and friends and all the little things that make life worthwhile...

Best always,

Claudia



2020 a YEAR LIKE NO OTHER. We are hoping to get back into our travel program this upcoming year. So far, so good, on both the trips. As for the Sun Valley trip.....Castro Valley had 34 going and one by one members have dropped out. Only 2 die hards left. Seriously, it won't be the same and Ski Week really is a social event.

CVSC Travel Director

We are still taking signups for Bali in 2022, May 15-26. We already have 32 with deposits in so we MAY have room for a few more.

- FWSA also has a Mini Trip to Zermatt, Utah, starting at \$550. Price does NOT include air or ground transportation. MOVED TO NEXT YEAR
- Russia will be the end of July. We are full at this time.
- Bike & Barge call if you are interested
- We have 32 signed up for our Bali trip in 2022. Keep in mind the deposit is totally refundable at this time

We are looking at Snowmass as a possible CVSC Trip for 2022. Waiting for more info. We will keep you all informed.



Happy Skiing & Travels.....

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Driving on Snow and Ice: Safety Tips

by Mac Demere, Contributor

The best tip for winter driving: Sometimes it's best to stay home, or at least remain where you are until snow plows and sanding crews have done their work.

- 1. Get a grip. To have adequate snow traction, a tire requires at least 6/32-inch deep tread, according to The Tire Rack. (New passenger-car tires usually have 10/32-inch of tread.) Ultrahigh-performance "summer" tires have little or no grip in snow. Even "all-season" tires don't necessarily have great snow traction: Some do, some don't.
- 2. Make sure you can see. Replace windshield wiper blades. Clean the inside of your windows thoroughly. Apply a water-shedding material (such as Rain-X) to the outside of all windows, including the mirrors. Make sure your windshield washer system works and is full of an anti-icing fluid. Drain older fluid by running the washers until new fluid appears: Switching fluid colors makes this easy.
- **3.** Run the air-conditioner. In order to remove condensation and frost from the interior of windows, engage your air-conditioner and select the fresh air option: It's fine to set the temperature on "hot." Many cars automatically do this when you choose the defrost setting.
- 4. Check your lights. Use your headlights so that others will see you and, we hope, not pull out in front of you. Make sure your headlights and taillights are clear of snow. If you have an older car with sand-pitted headlights, get a new set of lenses. To prevent future pitting, cover the new lens with a clear tape like that used to protect the leading edge of helicopter rotor blades and racecar wings. It's available from auto-racing supply sites.
- 5. Give yourself a brake. Learn how to get maximum efficiency from your brakes before an emergency. It's easy to properly use antilock brakes: Stomp, stay and steer. Stomp on the pedal as if you were trying to snap it off. Stay hard on the pedal. Steer around the obstacle. (A warning: A little bit of steering goes a very long way in an emergency. See Tip 8.) If you drive on icy roads or roads that are covered with snow, modify your ABS technique: After you "Stomp" and the ABS begins cycling you will feel pulses in the pedal or hear the system working ease up slightly on the pedal until the pulsing happens only once a second.

For vehicles without ABS, you'll have to rely on the old-fashioned system: You. For non-ABS on a mixedsurface road, push the brake pedal hard until the wheels stop rolling, then immediately release the brake enough to allow the wheels to begin turning again. Repeat this sequence rapidly. This is *not* the same as "pumping the brake." Your goal is to have the tires producing maximum grip regardless of whether the surface is snow, ice or damp pavement.

- 6. Watch carefully for "black ice." If the road looks slick, it probably is. This is especially true with one of winter's worst hazards: "black ice." Also called "glare ice," this is nearly transparent ice that often looks like a harmless puddle or is overlooked entirely. Test the traction with a smooth brake application or slight turn of the wheel.
- 7. Remember the tough spots. Race drivers must memorize the nuances of every track, so they can alter their path for changing track conditions. You must remember where icy roads tend to occur. Bridges and intersections are common places. Also: wherever water runs across the road.
- 8. Too much steering is bad. If a slick section in a turn causes your front tires to lose grip, the common but incorrect reaction is to continue turning the steering wheel. That's like writing checks on an overdrawn account: It won't improve the situation and may make things worse. If the icy conditions end and the front tires regain grip, your car will dart whichever way the wheels are pointed. That may be into oncoming traffic or a telephone pole. Something very similar happens if you steer too much while braking with ABS
- **9.** Avoid rear-tire slides. First, choose a car with electronic stability control. Fortunately, ESC will be mandatory on all 2012 models. Next, make sure your rear tires have at least as much tread as your front tires. Finally, if you buy winter tires, get four.
- 10. Technology offers no miracles. All-wheel drive and electronic stability control can get you into trouble by offering a false sense of security. AWD can only help a vehicle accelerate or keep moving: It can't help you go around a snow-covered turn, much less stop at an icy intersection. ESC can prevent a spinout, but it can't clear ice from the roads or give your tires more traction. Don't let this lull you into overestimating the available traction.

Sandy Beecher, Safety Chair

FWSA AWARDS PROGRAM

Each year, member clubs and individuals are invited to enter the FWSA Awards Program. Awards are presented at the annual FWSA Convention. Clubs should pay particular attention to the Club/Council Communications and Recognition Awards. Submission due date is March 21, 2021. Check the FWSA website for all info needed to apply.

For Clubs and Councils and Communication Awards -

From FWSA Website - Introduction. The **2021** application procedures are continuing the greatly simplified application process that resulted in more club and council entries. **Clubs and councils do not need to submit judges**. Your council presidents are forming a committee of judges. We are looking for volunteers. Please contact **<u>Bill King</u>** to volunteer. If you haven't entered for a while, please look at this year's procedures and consider entering your club or council.

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### Far West Awards Program is divided into the following categories.

#### Service Awards

**Hans Georg Award** – Awarded to the individual who has contributed significant achievements to skiing, not necessarily organized skiing. This award is for long-term contribution.

**Elizabeth " Schatzi" Wood Award** –Awarded to the Far West woman who has, through efforts in ski club, council, region, national or international activities, made a decisive contribution to skiing during either the past year or in a prior year.

**J. Stanley Mullin Award** – Awarded to the Far West man who has, through efforts in ski club, council, region, national or international activities, made a decisive contribution to skiing during either the past year or in a prior year.

**Jimmie Heuga Award** – This award is given in honor of Jimmie Heuga, whose determination overcame a diagnosis of Multiple Sclerosis to provide for the physically challenged. It is awarded to an individual who has demonstrated courage and skill in three arenas: the ski slope, the human body and the courageous heart.

**Jordan-Reily Award** – This award will recognize a one or two year activity and achievement in the Association's Public Affairs Program (skier safety, area development, liability protections, governmental affairs, taxation, transportation) and other functions added by the Board of Directors.

**Presidents Award** – Awarded to the individual who the President of FWSA feels has done the most to advance the immediate goals of the Association during the previous year.

## **Snowsport Builder Award**

**Snowsport Builder Award** – Awarded to the individual or team that made a real difference in snowsports by virtue of their contributions, whether it be in industry, travel, communications, research, safety — the scope is unlimited.

## Media Awards

**Bill Berry Award for Featured Article** – This award is for outstanding Print Coverage of Skiing. This award is given for outstanding service to skiing and is presented to writers for a featured article.

**Bill Berry Award for Hard News** – This award is for outstanding Print Coverage of Skiing. This award is given for outstanding service to skiing and is presented to writers for hard news.

**Warren Miller Modern Media Award** – This award is for outstanding Multi-Media Coverage of Skiing. This award is given for outstanding service to skiing by cinematographers, photographers, radio or television broadcasters. *[Formerly the Bill Berry Modern Media Award]* 

#### **Industry Awards**

**Bill Mackey Award** – Awarded for outstanding service to the skiing public by a ski industry or ski area employee.

**Tommi Tyndall Award** – Presented to the ski area or ski area operator who has made a distinguished contribution to skiing in the past year or in prior years.

## **Club/Council Communications Awards**

**Tollakson Award** – The Tollakson Award is presented to an outstanding club based on an evaluation of their structure, organization, skiing, sports, social events, and giving to the community.

**Wentworth Award** – The Wentworth Award is given to the club whose newsletters are judged best based on layout, content and club size.

**Outstanding Web Site** – The Outstanding Club Web Site Award is given to the club whose web site is judged best based on layout, content, usefulness, navigation and club size.

**Council Newsletter** – The Outstanding Council Publication Award is given to the council whose newsletters are judged best based on layout and content.

**Council Web Site** – The Outstanding Council Web Site Award is given to the council whose web site is judged best based on layout, content, usefulness, navigation.

## **Club/Council Recognition Awards**

**FWSA Council's Man & Woman of the Year** – The FWSA Council Man and Woman of the Year are chosen by their peers based on their contributions to Clubs, Council, Race League, FWSA and nationally. *Award sponsored by Big White Ski Resort since 2001.* 

**Safety Person of the Year** – The Safety Award is for the **person** within FWSA who does the most to promote safe skiing and safety programs. *Award sponsored by* **Telluride Ski Resort and Mountain Lodge Telluride** beginning in 2015.

**Western Ski Heritage Prize** – The Western Ski Heritage Prize recognizes the best effort to find, preserve, document and share the history of skiing in the West. *Award sponsored by Steamboat Ski Resort since 2000.* 

**Environment Award** – The Environment Award recognizes the **individual** who has made the largest contribution to promote good stewardship of our environment. *Award sponsored by* **Aspen**/**Snowmass, The Gant and Crestwood Condominiums** beginning in 2015.

**Charity & Community Service** – The Charity Award was introduced in 2007 and is given to the **club or council** who has made a significant charitable contribution. *Award sponsored by Far West Ski Association.* 



## <sup>88<sup>th</sup> Annual</sup> Far West Ski Association Convention

June 10 - 13, 2021

SAIL INTO

2021 88° FWSA Convention

at the San Diego Marriott Mission Valley

## Hosted by the San Diego Council of Ski Clubs

## San Diego Marriott Mission Valley

8757 Rio San Diego Dr, San Diego, CA 92108

Reservations www.marriott.com/sanmv or

call 800-228-9290, Group Name: Far West Ski Association.

Room Rates per night plus tax single or double occupancy – \$159 per night

Room Registration Deadline May 13, 2021

## **Hotel Features**

- Located a block from the San Diego River, near I-8 and I-805
- Stunning views and private balconies
- · Heated outdoor Pool and whirlpool spa
- · Private pool cabanas, a full bar and restaurant
- Restaurant & Lounge 
  Extensive concierge services
- Full-service business center, and notary public
- Fitness Center and jogging trail

## Transportation

- Fly into San Diego International Airport (SAN)
- 8 miles to Hotel by taxi, bus, or Express Shuttle Service
- The hotel doesn't provide a shuttle service.

## **Convention Highlights**

- Silent Auction & Trade Show
- Travel Expo
- Snowsports Leadership Academy
- Public Affairs Panels
- Celebrity Speakers
- Saturday Awards Banquet
- FWSA General Meeting & Elections

## **Optional Activities**

#### Thursday

- ° Sail around the San Diego Harbor
- <sup>o</sup> Taste of San Diego Pub Crawl
- <sup>o</sup> Agua Adventures
- Friday
  - <sup>o</sup> 14th Annual Michael German Memorial Golf Tournament at Riverwalk Golf Course
- °Trolley tour La Jolla /Mt.Soledad Memorial
- <sup>o</sup> Bike Ride by the Beach

#### www.fwsa.org

Debbi Kor FWSA Convention Chairperson fwsadebbi@comcast.net 503-314-7078

For Silent Auction information: silentauction@fwsa.org 503-314-7078 Chris Gill & Barbara Blasé Host Council Coordinators hostconventionchair@fwsa.org 858-382-1457

A portion of the Silent Auction proceeds will benefit the US Adaptive Recreation Center Big Bear Co.

## Breathtaking Bali with the Castro Valley Ski Club \$2999

#### May 15-26, 2022

#### YOUR TOUR INCLUDES

- Round-trip international airfare from Los Angeles or San Francisco
- Airfare taxes, fees & fuel surcharges
- · Ground transportation in an air-conditioned motor coach
- Accommodations at first-class hotels and beach resort
- 15 meals: 9 breakfasts, 4 lunches, and 2 dinners (may be adding more)
- Comprehensive sightseeing tours including admission fees as indicated in the itinerary
- Professional, English-speaking Tour Director throughout
- Refillable water bottle provided at the start of the tour
- TIPS & More.....

#### ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

- 2 nights in Ubud
- 2 nights in Candidasa
- 2 nights in Munduk
- 3 nights in Sanur
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#### TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Tanah Lot Temple at sunset
- Participate in a traditional Balinese purification ceremony in holy spring water (Sebatu Village)
- · Traditional Balinese cooking class with a professional chef
- Visit to Bali Aga, home of Bali's original inhabitants
- Besakih Temple (the Mother Temple)
- Goddess of the Lake Temple (Ulun Danu)
- Waterfalls at Munduk

#### WE ARE NOW ACCEPTING DEPOSITS

Travel insurance will be available on this trip;

- Basic plan \$179 per person
- Upgraded plan CFAR \$329 per person (Cancel For Any Reason) Insurance premium is non-refundable.

Send your refundable \$300 deposit to: Tucker Hoffmann 2657 Rivers Bend Circle, Livermore CA 94550 tkhoffmann@comcast.net







#### North American FWSA/BAC/CVSC Ski Week 2021 Sun Valley, Idaho



#### January 30 - February 6, 2021

Sun Valley Inn - King Bed Hotel Room. Sun Valley Inn - 2 Queen Bed Hotel Room

\$1,315.00 per person - upon request \$1,315.00 – 2 rooms available

Sun Valley Lodge Apts. 2 bdr/2ba Sun Valley Lodge Apts. 3 bdr/3ba

\$1,315.00 per person - sold out \$1,315.00 - sold out

\$200 Deposit August 10, 2020: \$500 Payment Oct. 1, 2020: Final Payment:

Cancellation Policy: Must be in writing. Deposits fully refunded up to October 10<sup>th</sup>. \$400 fee applies if cancelled from October 10 - December 10, 2020. No refunds after December 10, 2020 unless we can find a replacement for your room & lift tickets.

Trip Cancellation Insurance is recommended.

#### Includes:

- 7- nights' accommodations
- FREE shuttle service to mountain
- Welcome Party
- Mountain Picnic
- Racing
- BAC Council Party
- Mountain Tours
- Banquet & Dancing
- Friday Après Party
- Council Team Racing

#### Optional:

- 5 day Lift Ticket \$345 or 6 day \$393
- Optional Group Air and Ground Transportation pricing to be announced.

Air & ground transportation not included in this price

Checks made out to CVSC and mailed to:

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tkhoffmann@comcast.net 510-329-6838



# Castro Valley Ski Club

Russian River Cruise with Emerald Waterways Moscow • Uglich • Yaroslavl • Goritsy • Kizhi • Mandrogi • St. Petersburg

## July 19-31st, 2021- SOLD OUT



#### Price from \$5464

#### Includes:

- RT Air from SFO & LAX
- 32 Meals (11 breakfasts, 10 lunches and 11 dinners)
- · Airport transfers on tour dates when air is provided by Mayflower Cruises & Tours
- Fully escorted by an English-speaking Tour / Cruise Director
- Eleven-night cruise aboard the MS Nizhny Novgorod
- All gratuities onboard and onshore
- Shore excursions with English-speaking local guides
- Personal listening device for excursions
- Visits to many UNESCO World Heritage Sites
- Selection of complimentary drinks to accompany meals
- Variety of onboard entertainment
- All port charges included

WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED:

- Travel Insurance
- Russian Visa

Make Checks payable to Castro Valley Ski Club (CVSC) Send payments to:

Tucker Hoffmann, CVSC Travel 2657 Rivers Bend Circle, Livermore CA. 94550 Phone 925-371-1910 Cell 510-329-4242 Email: tkhoffmann@comcast.net



## AUGUST 21-29,2021 \$1,625per person double occupancy

#### INCLUDED:

- 8 day 7 nights
- Unisex Citybike Bike & Helmet
- Daily Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner, Coffee/Tea
- Guided visit in Venice and Mantua
- Visit a cheese factory w/ tasting of Grana Padano
- Visit Carousel & Street Entertainment Museum
- Boat Excursionin Mincio Park Nature Reserve

#### NOT INCLUDED:

- Airfare & Ground Transportation
- Tips
- eBikes available for \$100
- Beverages on board (alcohol, soda, etc.)



#### \$400 deposit per person made out to CVSC to get on waiting list

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"The Voice of the Western Skier"





## FAR WEST SKI ASSOCIATION ALASKA CRUISE—CORAL PRINCESS

## June 23-30, 2021 ANCHORAGE/WHITTIER PORT TO VANCOUVER, BC

Per Person Rates:

\$1,274.00 INSIDE ROOM (2) Category IB (Decks 5, 10, 11, 12) \$799 3rd or 4th Person

\$1,819.00 WINDOW ROOM (2) Category OC (Decks 5, 6)

\$2,329.00 BALCONY ROOM (2) Category BB (Decks 11, 12)

\$799 3rd or 4th Person

\$999 3rd or 4th Person

\$999 3rd or 4th Person

\$2,599.00 MINI SUITE (2) Category MB (Decks 9, 12)

#### \$260.00 PORT FEES & TAXES PER PERSON

INCLUDES:

- Welcome Cocktail Party
- \$25 per cabin credit (\$12.50/person)

www.princess.com to view staterooms

Sign up and book room and get the following FREE

->Premium Beverage Package ->Wi-Fi ->Gratuities

APPROXIMATE VALUE: \$900 (based on stateroom) Sign up soon before the special ends

Princess Cruise lines has not announced when the Special will end

SHIP DEPOSITS: \$250 PER PERSON TO BOOK ROOM NUMBER

Check payable to "FWSA"

Send check to: Nancy Ellis, P.O. Box 9681, Truckee, CA 96162

NO PENALTY TO CANCEL PRIOR TO MARCH 1, 2021

CANCELATION PENALTIES BEGINNING MARCH 2, 2021

Trip information: Contact Nancy Ellis, VP North American Travel, fwsatravelnancy@sbcglobal.net FWSA CST #2036983-40



4-Star hotel and villa property with a full-service spa and wellness center, indoor/outdoor pool, hot tubs, 2 restaurants, a bar, and bakery, all on site. Resort is 45 minutes from Salt lake int'l airport; 11 minutes from deer valley ski resort, and 18 minutes from Park city mountain. Sundance resort skiing is just 20 minutes away.

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Far West Racing Assoc: fwra.com Web cams on the slopes: magnifeye.com Road conditions: 1-800-427-7623 Info on all ski areas: onthesnow.com

Take a bus to the slopes: nacski.com & tahoeskitrips.com Sierra webcam: <u>sierravisionsstock.com:80/sierravisions/sierra-nevada-webcams/</u>

SKIZETTE FOR JANUARY, 2021



No General meeting in January.

**SKI WITH PRIDE, LET IT RIDE, WATCH ALL SIDES** *First With Safety Awareness Slogan award sponsored by:* 



ASPEN & SNOWMASS