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CVSC SkiZette

February, 2020



EVENTS CALENDAR

(f) = flyer in this issue



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- 12 CVSC board meeting at TBD
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- 19-23 BAC Mini Ski Week in Utah (f) pg 9

MARCH

- 11 CVSC board meeting at TBD
- 7-13 FWSA Davos & Portugal Ski Week (f) pg 7-8
- 18 CVSC general meeting at Don Jose's

APRIL

- 11 CVSC board meeting at TBD
- 18 CVSC general meeting at Don Jose's

UPCOMING

- 7/17-29 CVSC Russia River Cruise (f) pg 10
- 2021:
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BAC/FWSA TRIPS

Please visit websites for detailed information.

BAC Web site: skibac.org

Far West Ski Assoc: fwsa.org

5/28-31 FWSA 88th Annual Convention at Red Lion on the River Jantzen Beach, Portland, OR (f) pg 6

2021:
1/30-2/6 FWSA Annual Ski Week to Sun Valley, ID

Happy
Valentine's
Day

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

George Kish	3
Bruce Anderson	15
Bonnie Thompson	23
Elsa Wholey	27
Steven James	27

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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: dennieluuul@gmail.com



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

SPORTING GOODS EX-CHANGE

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 Valentine's day everyone!!! I hope you all are out enjoying your winter and whatever skiing you are able to find!!! we have two months left for some good snow to come.. may it come soon... yeah



Claudia Fernandes
President

We had a great opening meeting at Don Jose's this last month, it was wonderful to see everyone and enjoyed catching up on what we did for the holidays and the trips everyone was making to the snow...some great stories and beautiful skiing for many of you....

I want to wish Paula Kinahon a speedy recovery on her recent knee surgery. We all hope to see you soon. We are thinking of you and sending you good thoughts as you recover. I also want to send our heartfelt condolences to Laura Kelley and Bonnie Thompson, who both recently lost their husbands

Dave and Jeff. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and we will miss them terribly as we have all had such wonderful times together and had hoped for many more. Please keep in touch with us and let us know how we can help.

Our next meeting is February 19 and we look forward to seeing you there, we expect to have a guest speaker, but that has not been confirmed as yet, will let you know soon.

We have more trips and good times coming up so stay tuned.... Read those notices from Dennie - she is our communication line to everyone.

Enjoy the rest of your winter fun and see you soon.....Stay safe..

Best always,

Claudia



RUSSIA RIVERBOAT CRUISE - July 17-29th, 2020 we have the Russia River Cruise Trip coming up. We will be taking 43 members of Castro Valley on this 2 week trip. We have sent out the air schedules to everyone, so we are getting closer to finalizing this all-inclusive trip. Final invoices going out soon.

Castro Valley Ski Club will be taking a group on the FWSA Ski Week in 2021. We have requested 44 spots from BAC, 35 have been spoken for. As soon as we have more info & pricing from BAC we will let everyone know. We requested 10 hotel rooms at the Sun Valley Inn (3 left) and 4 3bd/3b condos at the Sun Valley Lodge Apts. We can always increase our numbers if we need to.

Don't miss out. E-mail us to get on the list. I'll let you know when to send in deposits

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North American FWSA Ski Week - 2021 Sun Valley, Idaho



January 30 - February 6, 2021

Sun Valley Ski Resort was selected as the destination for the Annual 2021 Far West Ski Association Ski Week. Sun Valley has more than 3,400 vertical feet and over 2,000 acres of varied terrain on two mountains. Bald Mountain's consistent pitch, lack of lift lines, and variety of terrain have earned it the reputation as one of the world's best ski mountains. Sun Valley is known for their snowmaking and groomed runs. They have snowmaking on 646 acres and groomed runs on 810 acres.

Mountain Statistics:

- 2,154 skiable acres & increasing Bald Mountain by 380 acres for 2020- 2021
- More than 3,400 vertical feet
- 121 trails and 30 acres of glade skiing & boarding terrain
- 18 lifts
- Longest run is 3 miles

Amenities:

- 7- nights' accommodations in one of the following lodging properties: Limelight Lodge (Ketchum); Sun Valley Lodge 2-bedroom condos; Sun Valley Lodge Hotel rooms; Sun Valley Inn Hotel Rooms; and Sun Valley Lodge
- 2- or 3-bedroom apartments
- 5 or 6-day group lift ticket or The EPIC Pass
- FREE shuttle service
- Welcome Party; Picnic; Mountain Tours; Banquet & Dancing; Friday Après Party; Council Team Racing; Council Parties
- Non-ski activities available: bowling; horse-drawn sleigh rides; spa services; ice skating; Nordic skiing; and movies.

BREATHTAKING BALI - 12 DAYS - May 2021

Trip will be limited to 32. Air from LAX or SFO. Price around \$2900.

**We have had a great response since the last newsletter to this trip.
We will be starting a waiting list.**

- Round-trip international airfare from Los Angeles or SFO
- 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 (possibly more dinners will be added)
- Comprehensive sightseeing tours including admission fees
- Professional, English-speaking Tour Director throughout
- Refillable water bottle provided at the start of the tour

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

ITALY BIKE & BARGE - \$1625

Aug. 21-28, 2021

SOLD OUT - E-Mail us to get on waiting list

We are chartering the whole boat. Trip is limited to 31.

Cycle along the River PO in Northern Italy, visiting celebrated cities of art, a prime nature reserve and charming rural hamlets. Relax at night on your private barge, enjoying the scenery. Your tour comes with all meals, guided tours of Venice and Mantua, a bike and helmet, and much more.



Happy Skiing & Travels.....

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Novel Coronavirus Disease Basics (Information is from the CDC)

Q: What is a novel coronavirus?

A: A novel coronavirus (nCoV) is a new coronavirus that has not been previously identified. is a new respiratory virus first identified in Wuhan, Hubei Province, China. The 2019 novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV), is not that same as the [coronaviruses that commonly circulate among humans](#) and cause mild illness, like the common cold.

Q: What is the source of 2019-nCoV?

A: Public health officials and partners are working hard to identify the source of the 2019-nCoV. Coronaviruses are a large family of viruses, some causing illness in people and others that circulate among animals, including camels, cats and bats. Analysis of the genetic tree of this virus is ongoing to know the specific source of the virus. SARS, another coronavirus that emerged to infect people, came from civet cats, while MERS, another coronavirus that emerged to infect people, came from camels. This virus probably originally emerged from an animal source but now seems to be spreading from person-to-person. It's important to note that person-to-person spread can happen on a continuum. Some viruses are highly contagious (like measles), while other viruses are less so. At this time, it's unclear how easily or sustainably this virus is spreading between people.

Q: Is 2019-nCoV the same as the MERS-CoV or SARS virus?

A: No. Coronaviruses are a large family of viruses, some causing illness in people and others that circulate among animals, including camels, cats and bats. The recently emerged 2019-nCoV is not the same as the coronavirus that causes Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS) or the coronavirus that causes Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS). However, genetic analyses suggest this virus emerged from a virus related to SARS. There are ongoing investigations to learn more.

Prevention

Q: Does CDC recommend the use of facemask in the community to prevent 2019-nCoV?

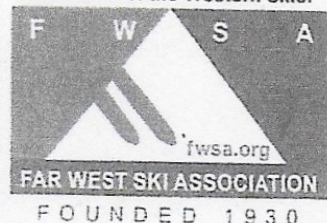
A: No. CDC does not currently recommend the use of face masks among the general public. While limited person-to-person spread among close contacts has been detected, this virus is not currently spreading in the community in the United States.

Q: Am I at risk for novel coronavirus from a package or products shipping from China?

There is still a lot that is unknown about the newly emerged 2019 novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV) and how it spreads. Two other coronaviruses have emerged previously to cause severe illness in people (MERS and SARS). 2019-nCoV is more genetically related to SARS than MERS, but both are betacoronaviruses with their origins in bats. While we don't know for sure that this virus will behave the same way as SARS and MERS, we can use the information from both of these earlier coronaviruses to guide us. In general, because of poor survivability of these coronaviruses on surfaces, there is likely very low risk of spread from products or packaging that are shipped over a period of days or weeks at ambient temperatures. Coronaviruses are generally thought to be spread most often by respiratory droplets. Currently there is no evidence to support transmission of 2019-nCoV associated with imported goods and there have not been any cases of 2019-nCoV in the United States associated with imported goods.

(submitted by Sandy Beecher, Safety Chair)

"The Voice of the Western Skier"



88th Annual

Far West Ski Association Convention

May 28 - 31, 2020

at the



Red Lion on the River
Jantzen Beach

909 N Hayden Island Dr.
Portland, Oregon 97217



Hosted by the *Northwest Ski Club Council*

Red Lion on the River - Jantzen Beach

909 N Hayden Island Dr., Portland, OR 97217

Reservations <https://www.redlion.com/red-lion-hotel/or/portland/red-lion-hotel-river-jantzen-beach>
or

call 1-503-283-4466, Group Name: **Far West Ski Association.**

Room Rates per night plus tax single or double occupancy —
\$149 per night

Room Registration Deadline May 1, 2020

Hotel Features

- Located on the Columbia River
- Breathtaking views of Mt. Hood & Mt. St. Helens
- Outdoor Pool and jacuzzi
- Riverside deck for Friday Night Happy Hour
- Restaurant & Lounge • JB's Night Club
- Business Center
- Fitness Center

Transportation

- Fly into Portland International Airport
- 12 miles to Hotel via Uber, Cab, Red/Yellow Max Line

Convention Highlights

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

Optional Activities

- **Thursday**
 - Snow Day on Mt. Hood
 - Pub Crawl in Downtown Vancouver
- **Friday**
 - 14th Annual Michael German Memorial Golf Tournament
 - Bike Ride
 - Wine Tour
 - Pool Party

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Host Council Coordinator
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A portion of the Silent Auction proceeds will benefit TRA

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FWSA 2020 Davos & Portugal

Basic Ski Week: Feb. 28 – Mar. 7, 2020



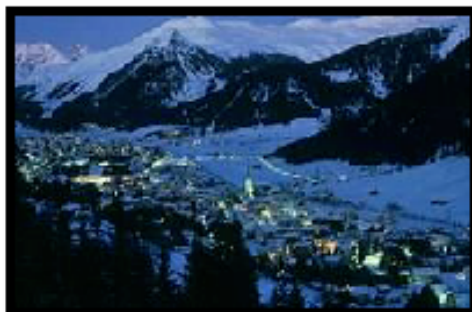
Optional Extension trip to Lisbon & Porto, Portugal

March 7 - 13, 2020

*The largest ski resort in Switzerland and
the highest city in Europe!*



*You will enjoy some of the best
skiing in the world, with 58
lifts, 300 km of ski slopes, 75
km of cross-country tracks and
much more.*



*Davos offers a wide range of
excellent shopping, numerous
boutiques, café/restaurants
and a lively nightlife!*

Davos-Klosters skiing areas feature 5 wonderful areas with terrain for all skier levels!

BASIC TRIP Land Package: The 5* SEEHOF Hotel (Not including Air Transp. or Lift Tickets)

- Approximate lodging package costs – starting at \$1759.00 per person based on double occupancy
- Pricing is based on exchange rate of 1.01USD vs. 1.00 CHF – subject to change
- Basic land package pricing is based on a min. of 86 people & the Extension pricing is based on a min. of 34 people – subject to change if requirements are not met. All local taxes are included
- Single Supplement and Upgraded rooms are available – quantities are limited.

Land Package Includes:

- All airport ground transfers with Multi-lingual guide meeting the FWSA Group Air people upon arrival
- 7 nights' accommodations with breakfast daily and Free Wi-Fi
- 5 Dinners – 2 nights **on your own** to dine at the local restaurants of your choice.
- Welcome/Orientation at the hotel with Tourist office, ski area and ski guide representatives
- Complimentary use of Wellness Center
- Local guide at the hotel each evening for 1 hour
- Optional Day Tour and mid-week Après ski party – details to be provided

Air Transportation Information - It is **HIGHLY** recommended to use FWSA air transportation!

- Group Air - SFO & LAX air transportation
- Stand Alone Trip Air – contact Debbie Stewart
- Alternate airport and/or post trip deviations are available – (they are limited)

*Air prices DO include estimated Fuel surcharges, Taxes and current Exchange Rate – subject to change.

*If you are arranging your **OWN** flights but wish to take the FWSA bus transfers, you **MUST** coordinate your flight schedule with the FWSA group air schedule. No special alternate pick-up or drop offs by the bus will be permitted.*

Make checks out to: Far West Ski Association (FWSA).

Please reference "FWSA 2020 Davos/Portugal Trip" on each check.

Send to: Debbie Stewart
FWSA VP of Int'l Travel
430 S. Church St.
Visalia, CA 93277

FwsaIntlTrvl@prodigy.net or cell: 559/737-0882

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Extension trip Lisbon & Porto, Portugal – March 7 - 13, 2020

Approx. Land Package – Double Occ. = \$1349.00 & Single Supp. Rooms available

A Stand-Alone trip is available for experienced travelers!

Discuss the Stand-Alone trip details with Debbie Stewart, VP of Int'l Travel



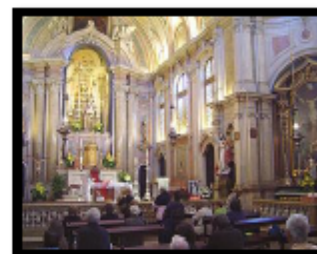
Experience Local Culture



Create New Memories
with Friends,
Old and New!



FREE TIME
TO EXPLORE!



Enjoy Regional Cuisine



Portugal is one of Europe's hottest destinations—and for good reason! Beyond the stunning landscapes and bustling cities lies a rich culture just waiting to be explored!

Lisbon and Porto, Portugal Trip includes:

- Air transportation to Lisbon –1 Free checked bag - Airline details tbd.
- Pricing is based on exchange rate of 1.20USD vs. 1.00 Euro – subject to change
- 3 night's accommodations at the 4* Hotel VIP Executive Entrecampos (Or Similar**)
- Breakfast buffet daily in each city
- Full day city tour of Lisbon including lunch
- Transfer between Hotel and Porto airport via private coach with English speaking assistant.
- Full day city tour of Porto including wine tasting and lunch.
- 3 night's accommodations at the 4* Black Tulip Hotel (Or Similar**)
- Entrance fees for: Jeronimo's Monastery, St. Anthony Church of Lisbon, St. Francis Church of Porto and Porto's Cathedral.
- Porterage at all hotels.
- All local taxes

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The Bay Area Snow Sports Council Presents
A Mini Ski Week to:

Trip is SOLD OUT! A wait list has been created. Send your forms and deposit in to get on the wait list.

Alta, Snowbird, Brighton & Solitude, Utah
February 19 – 23, 2020

Utah is renown for its wonderful powder snow & epic mountain terrain! By staying at the base of Big & Little Cottonwood Canyons, our BAC skiers will be able to access four great Utah ski resorts!

Lodging & Amenities Package Includes:

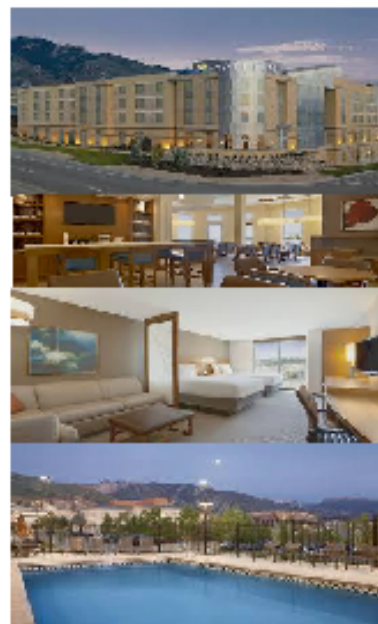
- ❖ 4 nights at the Hyatt Place/Cottonwood – double occupancy
- ❖ Welcome reception and Group Dinner included
- ❖ Free daily hot breakfast
- ❖ Free hotel shuttle to ski bus transit center
- ❖ Free wifi & parking

Lodging & Amenities Package Pricing:

- ❖ \$575 per person – based on double occupancy in King or 2 Queen bed hotel rooms.
- ❖ Registration opens on April 5. To insure your spot send your \$200 deposit check, payable to BAC Travel, in with your completed Trip Preference Form & Waiver. You must be a member of a BAC Club to reserve a spot.

Not Included – Airfare, Lift Tickets & Ski Bus Tickets

- ❖ Airfare Options & Ground Transportation - Delta, United & Southwest all have non-stop flights from the Bay Area into SLC airport - only 20 minutes from the hotel
- ❖ Lift Tickets: Alta, Snowbird, Brighton & Solitude are all on the IKON pass.
- ❖ Two Ski Buses for either Alta/Snowbird or Brighton/Solitude depart every 20-30 minutes from the ski bus stop. Ski bus tickets are nominal at around \$8 round trip.



BAC Trip Leader: Cathy Wilson

Send your \$200 deposit (payable to BAC Travel) to:

**Cathy Wilson
BAC Utah Trip Leader
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Castro Valley Ski Club
Presents
Russian River Cruise with Emerald Waterways
*Moscow • Uglich • Yaroslavl • Goritsy • Kizhi •
Mandroggi • St. Petersburg*

July 17-29th, 2020



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 Rossia*
- **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 – If you don't need travel insurance let me know. I'm trying to set up something.
- Russian Visa

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

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CVSC BIKE & BARGE VENICE to MANTUA, ITALY



Sold Out

AUGUST 21-28, 2021

\$1,625 PER 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 Excursion in 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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Singles league racing:
slracing.tripos.com/schedule.htm
 Open league racing: olrc.org
 Weather: nws.mbay.net/home.html

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

Best weather website for snow: Tahoeweatherdiscussion.com

Take a bus to the slopes: nacski.com & bayareaskibus.com

Sierra webcam: sierravisionsstock.com:80/sierravisions/sierra-nevada-webcams/

SKIZETTE FOR FEBRUARY, 2020



The next meeting will be at

Don Jose's Restaurant
 Castro Valley, CA

(meeting starts @ 7:00 pm)

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



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