Castro Valley Ski Club Newsletter



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CVSC SkiZette

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APRIL 10 CVSC board meeting at Jim & Karen's 17 CVSC general meeting at Don Jose's MAY CVSC End of Season Banquet (f) 8 CVSC board meeting at Sandy's (held at Pat's) 15 CVSC general meeting at Don Jose's **JUNE** 6-9 81st Annual FWSA Convention (f) 12 CVSC board meeting at Keith's 19 CVSC general meeting at Don Jose's

UPCOMING

9/18-10/3 Borneo Adventure

2014:

1/25-2/1 FWSA Annual Ski Week at Beaver Creek, CO (f)

BAC/FWSA TRIPS

Please visit websites for detailed information.

BAC Web site: skibac.org Far West Ski Assoc: fwsa.org



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SkiZette Policy NEWSLETTER

DEADLINE: last week 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@att.net

Didn't get your newsletter? - Change of Address? -PLEASE Contact Dave Silva, VP Membership email: silvadave@yahoo.com





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President's Message

A Word from our VP

Hello Everyone,

Well, even though ski conditions were patchy at times this season, I have heard from several members that they skied quite a few days this year. Some members even got in 30+ days – you know who you are. So, it does look like we have a few "ski bums" in our club, and I, for one, am jealous. I hope everyone had a chance to get some "blue bird" days in this year, and as you put those skis in storage for



Karen Wehrman President

a few months you will look back and enjoy the memories of the season.

For those of us who ventured to Mammoth Mountain in March, I think some positive memories were made. Everyone seemed to have a great time, and the skiing was pretty good. Thanks to Wendell Jeong, we had a local guide (a friend of Wendell's) to show us around the mountain and to entertain us at his house in Mammoth Lakes - and introduce us to a great Thai restaurant in town. Many thanks to Wendell and Marianne for sharing their friends, Rick and George, who were so hospitable and added so much to the time in Mammoth. Everyone who came on this trip would like to see it become a yearly outing, so watch for next year's dates - some time at the end of February 2014.

As we head into Spring and Summer, we will still have lots of opportunities to get together with club members - Pat Green has put together a great party for the End of Season Banquet, May 4, so I hope you can make it to dine and dance with friends.

Another event to check out is the Far West Ski Association annual convention in Reno, Nevada. The convention takes place June 6-9, and BAC is the sponsor of the convention this year. Our club is taking on a couple of jobs at the convention, so please come and have fun while helping out and having a great experience.

And, finally but most important, when you see Paula Kinahon and Keith Wilson, give them a big CONGRATULATIONS - as they have been chosen as CVSC's Woman and Man of the Year! Both of these fantastic volunteers are so worthy and we are so fortunate to have them represent us this year. Both have contributed much to the vitality of CVSC!!

So, as this ski season comes to a close, I know I will cherish the memories made skiing with friends this year - and look forward to skiing again next year with those friends at Beaver Creek - ah, life is sweet!!

Karen

The club trip to Mammoth was pretty successful, if a bit windy, in places, at times. Those who picked the default two days were thrilled---when a gusty storm moved in on the third day they took off on the clear roads.



Ron White Vice President

Those of us, including guess who, opting for the third day before heading off in the afternoon, were somewhat less thrilled. I defaulted on a promise to meet others at 9am at the gondola after confronting the day, can't speak for the others. I had a quiet breakfast in town with son Steve and bore back to Truckee. There's always another day.

The final races this year are coming this next weekend, the Far West races at Alpine. Alas I will be saving my knee for the less crowded midweek slopes. Maybe next year.

I'm getting that end-of-the-year feeling, but hoping this Livermore rain will bring some spring relief in the mountains. Let's hope.

Ron



Just clown'n around..... APRIL FOOLS!!!!!!!!



The big question coming our way right now is "where are we going in 2014 for our Adventure Trip?" Well, we have been working on a few different options and have pretty much figured it out. We hope to have that information out very soon.

Hint: It will be somewhere in Europe

CASTRO VALLEY SKI CLUB 2014 Trip - BEAVER CREEK Jan. 25-Feb 1st, 2014

Next year we will be joining FWSA on the Beaver Creek Trip. Dates are Jan. 25 - Feb 1st, 2014. Castro Valley Ski Club has already requested lodging from BAC and sent in deposits for 42 CV members. We are already up to 30 sign-ups. The lodging will be in condos next year. If you prefer a hotel room please let me know and I'll work on it. Pricing will be around \$1355, air and transfers not included. Send us a quick email to let us know if you are sending in a deposit. Send a \$200 deposit to address below.

Castro Valley Ski Club Malaysia & Borneo Adventure September 18th - Oct. 3rd, 2013

\$3545 - PENANG ISLAND EXTENSION ADD \$625 WAIT LISTED

Includes:

- RT Air LAX or SFO
- All tours & transfers via private air-conditioned transportation
- · 13 nights hotel accommodation for the main program
- Breakfast daily, 6 lunches and 6 dinners
- English speaking tour guide throughout
- Entrances fees where applicable
- Internal flights as required
- Airport taxes
- Tips



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A DAY AT THE RACES......

There were four races in March. Early March brought some much needed snow. This was great for skiing, but made racing a bit tough as the soft snow made for deep ruts on the race course. In the slalom race at Alpine Meadows on March 9th Brian Taylor placed 2nd in the Class 1 open category. Keith Wilson bounced out of the rutted course and did not finish...ugh! The next day, March 10th, we raced a new course over by Lakeview. Nice grand slalom course! Firmer snow! There was a lot of excitement for this race and Castro Valley had a strong showing. Brian Taylor placed 1st in his category, as did Atossa Shaffa, Steve White and Ron White. Keith Wilson placed 3rd in his category and Anousha Nejad placed 2nd in her category.



Keith Wilson Race Director

The next race weekend, on March 9th and 10th was split between Northstar on Saturday and Homewood on Sunday. These were both grand slalom races. The racecourse at Northstar was on the backside on the Challenger run. **Brian Taylor** won his race and **Keith** came in second in his race. At Homewood, the race course was located in the vicinity of some of the most breathtaking views of Lake Tahoe. It was a nice race course, not too steep, not too flat. This was a good place to finish the regular racing season. **Keith** won his race, but was the only Castro Valley racer.

That does it for the regular racing season. Far West racing finals are the weekend of April 6 and 7 at Alpine Meadows. I suspect that I will see **Brian Taylor** and **Atossa Shaffa** there. **What about you?**

Website: www.skialpine.com. Check the Open League Race Committee website for latest news and results: www.olrc.org.

Keith





California's Distracted Driving Awareness Month April 2013

It's Just That Simple

- 80 percent of vehicle crashes involve some sort of driver inattention.
- Up to 6000 people nationwide are killed in crashes where driver distractions are involved.
- Talking on a cell phone or texting is the number one source of driver distractions.
- Texting takes your eyes off the road for an average of five seconds, far enough to travel the length of a football field at 55 mph. Most crashes happen with less than 3 seconds reaction time.
- ♦ The act of talking on a cell phone, even hands free, can give you "inattention blindness," where your brain isn't seeing what's right in front of you. You aren't even aware that you are driving impaired. If you think you can handle both driving and talking on a cell phone or texting, you are kidding yourself and putting us all at risk.

California distracted driving news:

Most local police departments and the CHP are participating in a statewide crackdown during April, the national distracted driving awareness month.

Last April, the sweep yielded 57,000 tickets. CHP Commissioner Joe Farrow said: "This effort is not about how many citations law enforcement officers can issue, but how many lives are ultimately saved because motorists made the right choice to focus their attention on the road, free of distraction."

Law officers in California issued 425,041 tickets last year for cell phone infractions. Texting & driving citations numbered just over 21,000 in 2012, the California Office of Traffic Safety said.

Current prohibitions:

- Adult drivers (18 and older) banned from using cell phones unless they employ hands-free devices.
- Text messaging banned for all drivers. The law prohibits use of electronic devices to "write, send, or read a text-based communication" is outlawed. Hands-free and voice-controlled texting allowed.
- Drivers under age 18 are prohibited from using wireless phones while driving with or without handsfree accessories.
- School bus operators and transit bus drivers prohibited from using cell phones while driving.

California Office of Traffic Safety

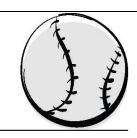
www.ots.ca.gov

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Oakland Athletics vs. Texas Rangers



Friday, August 2, 2013

Game time @ 7:05pm.

\$32 seats, Regularly \$35

Bay Area Snow Sports Council, BAC Presents it's Eighth Annual FUND RAISER for



All proceeds over cost go to DSUSA
Additional contributions
will be greatly appreciated

Deadline for purchasing tickets: July 12th



FIREWORKS NIGHT

Section 104, 105 Lower Box, 1st base side "Great view for fireworks"

BAC Tailgate BBQ for \$10 Raffling Prizes 5-6:30 pm

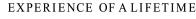
BBQ at the north side of the stadium, parking lot A, South-East Corner. Look for a BBQ trailer, Heffley's SUV with the BAC banner in front and a large crowd having a great time.

For club group seating, please send one club check for all club members. Make checks payable to Bay Area Snow Sports Council (BAC). Paypal will be available. Seating assigned based on when money received by BAC.

Supported by:

Contact: Norm Azevedo (925) 944-9816, <u>nazevedo@sbcglobal.net</u> 901 Sousa Dr. Walnut Creek, CA 94597

















CVSC END OF SEASON BANQUET



Saturday, May 4, 2013 Black tie optional

CROW CANYON COUNTRY CLUB

711 Lake Dr., Danville, CA 94526



EVENING EVENTS

6pm – Hors d'oeuvres/no-host cocktails 7pm – Dinner Installment of new CVSC Board Awards for Officers & Members Door prizes & raffle Dancing to the music of 'Get Down Productions' Eston - DJ to 11:30

MENU CHOICES

#1 Salmon—\$38 #2 Prime Rib- \$42

All entrees include salad, seasonal vegetables and chef's choice of potatoes or rice, bread & butter, coffee, tea, and dessert.

DON'T MISS THIS GALA EVENT!!!

BANQUET RESERVATION FORM

Complete reservation form & mail to Pat Green, 4655 Cope Ct., Pleasanton, CA 94566 By Sunday, April 21, 2013 (Enclose check payable to CVSC)

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Name(s)	Menu choice #	# Member?	Amt enclosed			
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June 6-9, 2013 Grand Sierra Resort & Casino



2500 East 2nd Street Reno, NV 89595 (775) 789-2129 (reservations) www.grandsierraresort.com

hosted by Bay Area Snow Sports Council





Far West Ski Association

81st Annual Convention Mountain Magic Moments



Grand Sierra Resort & Casino

Reservations call 800-648-5080 or 775-789-2129

Group Name Far West Ski Association 2013

Online https://resweb.passkey.com/go/FarWestSki

Room Rates per night plus tax single or double occupancy

Grand Sierra Room \$79
Summit Grand II Upgrade \$104

RV Spots at Grand Sierra: call 800-648-5080 or 775-789-2129

Hotel Features

- 11 Restaurants, 5 Bars & Lounges, Casino, Beach/Pool, Spa/Health Club, Movie Theater, Bowling, Miniature Golf
- NO Resort Fees, FREE In-room Wi-Fi, FREE Parking
- Rates available 3 days pre and post Convention
- FREE TRANSFER from Reno International Airport
- Room block release date is May 15, 2013

Convention Highlights

- Silent Auction
- Travel Expo
- Snowsports Leadership Academy
- · Celebrity Speakers
- Public Affairs Panel
- Saturday Awards Luncheon
- Celebrity Multi-Media Presentation
- Saturday Awards Dinner
- Far West General Meeting & Elections

Optional Activities

- Pub Crawl
- · Michael German Golf Tournament
- · River Run White Water Rafting
- · Tahoe Rim Hike
- Grand Sierra Spa Day
- Grand Sierra Fun
- Beach Party

Information www.fwsa.org

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Far West Ski Association



Castro Valley Ski Club/Bay Area Council

Presents



2014 Annual Ski Week in Beaver Creek, CO

January 25th to February 1st, 2014
Pricing Approx. \$1355 (waiting on lodging allocation)

Package Includes:

- 7 Nights Lodging (dbl. occ.)
- Registration
- Mountain Rally
- · Welcome Party
- Mountain Pub Crawl
- · Ski Week Picnic
- Awards Banquet
- BAC Party
- Après Party
- 5 day Lift Ticket



note: air and transfers not included in this price

Lift tickets are included in the ski week package; however, EPIC passes will also be available and should be purchased from Sandy Gaudette at Skigroup.net by calling her at 1-800-500-2754. Each member purchasing the EPIC pass through Skigroup, will receive a \$25 discount off their lodging during our ski week. To check EPIC Pass pricing, available mid-March, go to: www.snow.com/epic-pass. Deduct \$315 if you do not need the FWSA lift ticket.

Castro Valley will also be doing a 4-day post trip to Breckenridge. It includes 4 nights lodging, porter & resort fees and your bus transportation (if needed) to Breckenridge and then on to Denver. Price will be approx \$380.00. in 2bd./2b condos or a hotel room, staying at the Beaver Run Resort, ski-in, ski-out. If you purchase the Epic Pass or Epic Local Pass it will be good here otherwise lift tickets are \$226.00 for a 3 day. If you would like to participate, add \$100 to your deposit and let me know.

Send \$200 deposit to: Tucker Hoffmann - CVSC Travel Director 2657 Rivers Bend Circle, Livermore CA 94550



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WEBSITES & PHONE NUMBERS

Singles league racing:

slracing.tripos.com/schedule.htm

Open league racing:

Web cams on the slopes: magnifeye.com

Road conditions: 1-800-427-7623

Weather: nws.mbay.net/home.html

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 APRIL, 2013



The next meeting will be April 17

Don Jose's Restaurant 3430 Village Dr. Castro Valley, CA (meeting starts at 7:30 pm) SKI WITH PRIDE, LET IT RIDE, WATCH ALL SIDES

First With Safety Awareness Slogan award sponsored by:

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