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CVSC SkiZette



November, 2008

CELEBRATING OUR 25TH YEAR

Special Events:

ANNUAL AUCTION
NOVEMBER 19

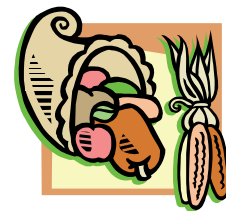
ANNUAL CVSC
CHRISTMAS PARTY
DECEMBER 10

EVENTS CALENDAR

(f) = flyer in this issue; (tt) = see travel table



Annual Auction — Nov 19



Thanksgiving—Nov. 27

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NOVEMBER

- 5 CVSC general meeting at Don Jose's
- 12 CVSC board meeting at the Hoffmann's
- 19 CVSC ANNUAL AUCTION at Don Jose's (f)
- 22 CVSC Livermore Bike Ride

DECEMBER

- 3 CVSC general meeting at Don Jose's
- 10 CVSC Annual Christmas Party (f)
- 10-14 Keystone Nationals (f)
- 17 CVSC board Christmas Party at the Chase's

JANUARY, 2009

- 7 CVSC general meeting at Don Jose's
- 14 CVSC board meeting
- 21 CVSC general meeting at Don Jose's
- 24-31 BAC Ski Week to Big Sky, MT (f,tt)

UPCOMING

- Jan 31-Feb 6 CVSC Ski Trip to Beaver Creek, CO (f,tt)
- Feb 27-March 7 FWSA European Ski Week to Austrian Alps (f,tt)
- March 12-17 BAC Ski Trip to Park City (f,tt)
- Aug 20-Sept 7 CVSC Ski & Sightsee Argentina (tt) - sold out
- Oct 18-25 CVSC Cruise to Caribbean on Carnival Victory (f,tt)

Visit our Website at www.cvskiclub.org

2008-2009 OPEN LEAGUE RACE SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS



Debbie Phelps	2
James Reed	2
Eberhard Busse	5
Karen Wehrman	5
Mark Howell	7
Cyndi Hillman	9
Ruth Johnson	11
Donna Garrett	17
Steve Grevstad	18
Marilyn Sunnergren	19
Jim Gartland	21
Arielle Nava	22
Pete Delisi	22
Rosie Dennis	28
Norma Nixon	28
Monika Restifo	30

Date	Event	Location	Date	Event	Location
12/20/08	Clinic	Alpine Meadows	03/15/09	Race: SL	Alpine Meadows
12/21/08	Race: GS	Alpine Meadows	03/20/09	Clinic	Sugar Bowl
01/10/09	Clinic	Alpine Meadows	03/21/09	NorCals: SL	Sugar Bowl
01/11/09	Race: GS	Alpine Meadows	03/21/09	AWARDS	TBA
02/07/09	Race: SL	Bear Valley	03/22/09	NorCals: GS	Sugar Bowl
02/08/09	Race: GS	Bear Valley	04/03/09	FWRA:clinicic	Northstar
02/28/09	Race: SL	Sugar Bowl	04/04/09	FWRA: SL	Northstar
03/01/09	Race: GS	Sugar Bowl	04/05/09	FWRA: GS	Northstar
03/14/09	Race: GS	Homewood			

Race day registration is 8:00 to 8:30am on race days. Unaccompanied minors must have a designated guardian form signed by their parent or legal guardian. Courtesy racers may race for \$15 per day and must register NO LATER than 8:30am on race day (no exceptions).

SkiZette Policy NEWSLETTER

DEADLINE: 22nd of the month

Articles submitted by this date will be included in the following month's newsletter - space permitting.

Submit articles to:

Dennie Warren, 16606 Selby Drive, San Leandro, CA 94578;

Phone (510) 759-3415, Fax (510) 276-2444

email: dennieluuu@comcast.net



TRAVEL TABLE—FWSA, BAC, CVSC trips featured

Destination/Sponsor	Dates	Cost	Contact	What
FWSA Ski Week to Big Sky, MT	Jan. 24-31, 2009	\$965+air	Linda Hennings (209) 538-3590 lindahennings@sbglobal.net	RT Air, 7 nite lodging, welcome party, pub crawl, racing, mountain picnic, apre's ski party, awards banquet, 5-day lift ticket
CVSC Ski Week to Beaver Creek, CO	Jan. 31-Feb. 6, 2009	\$1035+air (~\$300)	Tucker Hoffmann (510) 278-7660 tkhoffmann@aol.com	6-nites lodging, deluxe rooms, ski-in/out, xfers from Denver, 4-day lift ticket, CVSC party, services
FWSA European Ski Week to Austrian Alps	Feb 27-March 7	\$1690+\$275 fuel charge	Norm Azevedo (925) 944-9816 fwsaitravel@Sbglobal.net	RT Air from LAX/SFO; grnd transp; 9 nites lodging in 4 star hotel with cont bkfst&dinner. Munich-Prague ext.: \$855
BAC Ski Trip to Park City, UT	March 12-17	\$997	Paula Kinahon (415) 983-7145	RT air SFO-Salt Lake City, charter bus, welcome party, 5 nites lodging, bkfst, 4-day lift ticket
CVSC Southern Caribbean Cruise	Oct. 18-25, 2009	\$639-\$749 + air to Puerto Rico	Tucker Hoffmann (510) 278-7660 tkhoffmann@aol.com	NO days at sea! Visit St. Thomas/St. John, Dominica, Barbados, St. Lucia, Antigua, St. Kitts. Includes port charges. Parties!

President's Message

FROM MEMBERSHIP



The Faithful volunteers of CVSC

It was a beautiful balmy evening on October 17 as guests arrived at the home of Jim Silva and Karen Wehrman for the annual event honoring our crew of volunteers. The spacious patio and pool deck was magically transformed into an inviting candle-lit resort restaurant. Corks were popping and the wine was gently flowing with that wonderful relaxing aura welcomed after a busy day in the work (or retirement) world. The food prepared by our hosts was exceptional with Jim's barbecued tri-tip along with all the trimmings. The evening gave us the opportunity to celebrate Jim Korn's birthday with a yummy cake and champagne. October 17 was also Jim and Karen's wedding anniversary. Needless say, a fabulous time was had by all.

What makes a Volunteer? How do you qualify? Piece of cake! These are the members who help keep our social calendars full by sponsoring and planning annual events like the End of Season Banquet, Christmas Party, Volunteer Party, the Auction, July and August BBQ meetings, and Day at the A's and the Napa Wine tour. Another group generates and plans new functions for off-season activities such as the Vin et Cuisine offered by Fred and Marsha Rubis, attending the Sunol Wine Train event sponsored by Ralph's Livermore Rotary Club and the hike and BBQ pot luck by Jacky and Peter Paulsen. Coming Soon: The November 22nd Livermore bike ride organized by Wayne Ainsworth.

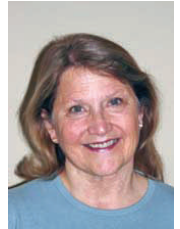
Then there are those behind the scenes folks who volunteer to assist and run the club including the phone committee, Skizette editor, webmaster, cabin manager club photographer and, of course your Board of Directors.

Interested in joining the Volunteer squad? Here's how. Put on your thinking cap and share you creative and unique thoughts and ideas for some new off-season events. Variety is the spice of CVSC life. Walt Johnson always signed off at the end of his monthly column with "Volunteering to have fun. And having it". And we certainly do!

Now get out there and make every day a good one for you and others.

Hello fellow skiiers,

Can you believe it? Snow has fallen (just a little) at Lake Tahoe, it was 10 degrees at Truckee a couple of weeks ago, it is getting dark earlier - it will be soon be ski season!!! Yeah! I always love this time of year, anticipating the upcoming season, listening to every weather report to hear a hint of a forecast of snow, and thinking "did I renew my Castro Valley Ski Club membership?" Most of our members have renewed and received the benefit of paying the old price for themselves and family members. The deadline for renewing at the bargain price was October 30, so if you are just now getting around to renewing, remember the new price is \$50 for the primary member and \$25 for family members. We have such a wonderful ski club, that any fee to belong is still a bargain to receive all the great benefits of membership. There are lots of great trips, events and parties coming up, so don't delay, send in that check now so you don't miss out on any great stuff. I hope to see you at one of those great occasions and hopefully soon on the slopes!



THINK SNOW!!!

Karen Wehrman

The Company Store

The following Castro Valley Ski Club promotional items, with logo, are available to members :

- Black Ball Caps \$10
- Gold Key Rings \$5
- Logo Luggage Tags \$1.50; 4/\$5
- Logo Fanny Packs \$20
- Club Patches \$1

SEE DEAN OR JOLENE MICHAEL TO PURCHASE ANY OF THESE GREAT ITEMS



Consider This...



Greetings. Tahoe got SNOW! One resort reported 5 inches of the fluffy white stuff by late October. A good sign they said, a very good sign. I personally cannot wait. The birthday fairy was good to me this year. There is a brand new pair of K2 Lotta Luvs gathering dust in the guest room. Can't wait to hit the slopes & give the new skies and myself a good workout.

Bay Area Snow Sports Council News

The Lakeside Inn & Casino of south Lake Tahoe is offering BAC members a great lodging deal for the upcoming 2008/2009 ski season. The mid-week rate of \$49 and a weekend rate of \$99, per room are hard to beat. Any stay of 3 nights, earns a 4th night free. Nights do not have to be consecutive so multiple stays count toward the 3 nights. Friday stays are available based on occupancy. The inn offers shuttles to Kirkwood, Heavenly and Sierra along with discounted lift tickets for hotel guests. Food service includes a \$3.99 breakfast for the early birds who like to hit the slopes early and then there is the famous \$10.50 Prime Rib dinner. (Hum, I might stay there just for the prime rib.) Lakeside Inn is approximately 8-10 minutes from the Nevada Heavenly lifts and 10 minutes from the gondola. Call Stacy (775-586-7774) and use the code "BAC or Bay Area Ski Council" to get the discount rate. The Inn also has a casino and offers a rewards card with many benefits.

The BAC **Park City, Utah trip March 12 - 17, 2009** still has a few slots open. Once the trip sells out adding lodging may not be an option so act now to reserve your spot if interested. The trip, an excellent value @ \$997 per person, includes Roundtrip air SFO – SLC, 5 nights lodging at Park City Peaks Hotel with daily hot breakfast buffet, 4 days skiing, ground transportation, and welcome reception. For signup and information, contract Paula Kinahon at @ PKinahan@gmail.com / 415 983-7145 day / 510 357-6127 evening. The Park City trip flyer is included in this SkiZette.

The **FWSA Ski Week @ Big Sky Montana** in January 2009 still has openings. Hennings, BAC Travel Director is leading the trip so contact her directly if you're interested. The trip flyer in this SkiZette has her contact information. Last I heard

CVSC has 18 members signed up. FWSA ski week is a great value with recreational racing, apres ski parties, BAC council night with dinner, drinks, & dancing, mountain picnics, welcome reception, and farewell dinner dance. All the aforementioned included in the single trip price. Check it out.

The **BAC Discount Lift Tickets** will be available for delivery at the December meetings. Stay tuned.

Auction donation idea: Are you one of those members who returns & reorders the same tickets year after year (you know who you are)? Here's a thought. Donate a ticket or two the CVSC auction. What a great way to give back to the club & get that ticket into the hands of someone who will happily put it to use with day of skiing in Tahoe. Think about it!

I look forward to seeing you at Don Jose's on the first & third Wednesday this month. Meanwhile, I hope you're having fun.

Best regards,

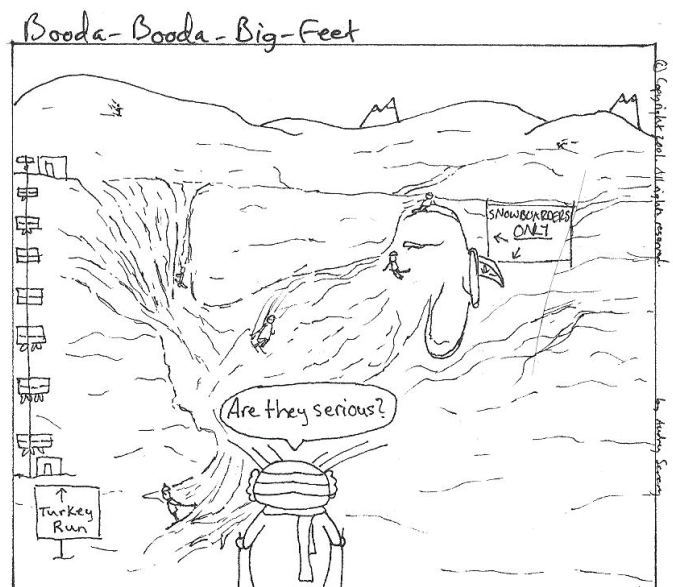
Paula Kinahon

VP & BAC Representative

415 983-7145 (day)

510 357-6147 (evening/weekend)

PKinahan@gmail.com



Castro Valley Ski Club Newsletter



Industry Liaison David Cunningham – industry@skibac.org

It is Fall Foliage time again. There are lots of opportunities to check out the fall colors as the leaves change in the foothills. The Sierra Foothills and The Owens Valley are great places to go for taking in the sights. Check out this website on Hwy 4.

<http://www.scenic4.org/> There is additional info on Mammoth's website. Take a look at the links below and see what's happening at our local ski hills.

***Alpine Meadows:** www.skialpine.com.

Alpine Meadows has tentative plans to open on Nov. 26th. New for this season is "The Alpine Club. This is a discount program you can join for \$10. They issue you a "media" card. Using the card you can go online and purchase your lift tickets in advance. This gets you a 10% discount and they have 39 days where you can get \$39 lift tickets. You can also purchase a 4 pack for \$219. You can also get other discounts through this program. Season Passes are on sale now. Alpine held a contest this summer to rename 3 of their runs. Green Trail is now Boomerang, Red Trail is now Dancefloor and Blue Trail is now Werner's Schuss.

***Bear Valley:** www.bearvalley.com.

Bear Valley has not announced an opening day yet. Bear is a year round resort. Be sure to check out their website for deals on next years season passes. Bear also sells lift tickets at Safeway and sporting goods stores in Northern California. There is more info on this program on their website. Bear Valley is holding meetings with the USFS and local residents to work out approval for a development plan. They are looking at expanding and adding a high speed lift from the Village up to the Mountain.

***Boreal:** www.rideboreal.com.

Boreal has not announced an opening day yet. Boreal has big plans for this summer. They are replacing the Gunnar's and Claimjumper chairs with a brand new Doppelmayr High Speed Quad chair. This new chair will be called the "Castle Peak Quad Chair". This will increase the base lift capacity and the new chair will drop skiers slightly above the old Gunnar's chair unloading station. Boreal is also adding a new Automated Snow Making System. Boreal offers their "iRide" card. With it you can ski 2 days and get a 3rd day free.

***Diamond Peak:** www.diamondpeak.com.

Diamond Peak has not announced an opening day yet. Diamond Peak is renovating their Lodge this year. They are investing \$4 Million in upgrades and improvements. They plan to have an open house for the new lodge on Dec. 6th.

***Donner Ski Ranch:** www.donnerranch.com.

Donner Ski Ranch Has not announced an opening day yet. Check their website for upcoming events.

***Heavenly:** www.skiheavenly.com.

Heavenly has added two new runs this summer. The runs will be called "The Pinnacles". The new runs are accessed off of Skyline Trail. They will be gladed runs with tree islands. It will be groomable by a snow cat to open it up for intermediate skiers.

Season Passes are on sale now. \$369 for Adult passes.

***Homewood:** www.skihomewood.com. Sunday thru Friday "Kirkwood6" pass for \$289. Sale ends on 12/15. Check out their website for details.

***Mount Rose:** www.skirose.com.

Mt Rose has not announced an opening day yet. They have '08-'09 season passes on sale now.

***Mammoth/June Mountain:** www.mammothmountain.com.

Mammoth is planning to open on Nov. 13th. Mammoth has Fall Foliage rates at their lodge this fall. Check out all the events they have planned: <http://www.mammothevents.com/> Homewood has not announced an opening day yet. Season Passes are on sale.

***Kirkwood:** www.kirkwood.com.

Kirkwood is closed. They are planning to run lifts for mountain biking starting July 4th. Kirkwood is going to add 2 new Surface Lifts in the Emigrant Basin area. They also have the old triple chairs from Chairs 6 and 7 for sale. See their website for details.

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***Northstar-at-Tahoe:** www.skinorthstar.com.

Northstar has not announced an opening day yet. There are lots of events at this year round resort. Check out their calendar. Season passes are on sale now. Check out the deals on the web.

***Sierra-at-Tahoe:** www.sierratahoe.com.

Sierra has not announced an opening day yet. They have their season passes for '08-'09 on sale now.

***Soda Springs:** www.skisodasprings.com.

Soda Springs has not announced an opening day yet. They have improvements to their Tubing hill and to the Planet Kids play area planned for this summer.

***Squaw Valley USA:** www.squaw.com.

Squaw is planning to open on Nov. 22nd. The Squaw Valley Institute is hosting several events this fall. Warren Miller will be the MC for "A Toast to Tahoe Skiing" on Nov. 15th. See their web page for details.

***Sugar Bowl:** www.sugarbowl.com.

Sugar Bowl has not announced an opening day yet. Season Passes are on sale now. Sugar Bowl's Core Program is available free to BAC and Far West Ski Club Members. Sign up and enjoy the discounts. \$10 off on adult tickets. You will need your Far West Membership Card. Sugar Bowl has planned several improvements to their Terrain Parks. Check out their website.

Castro Valley Ski Club Newsletter

CVSC Livermore Bike Ride – November 22, 2008

Meet: Livermore Public Library
1188 South Livermore Avenue, Livermore, CA
Time: 10:00 am
Depart: 10:15 am
Distance: Approximately 15 miles
Required: Helmet

This year, we embark on our annual bike ride in the month of November, when we hope to have cooler temperatures and a palette of fall colors to put us in the proper mood for the Thanksgiving holiday the following week.

We will follow a route that is similar, if not identical, to the route we enjoyed last year. The route is about 15 miles, and is mostly flat with a couple of very gentle inclines (and declines). We stay on bike paths most of the route, and when not on bike paths, we are on fairly safe roads. About five miles into the route, at the southern entrance to Sycamore Grove Park, there are restroom facilities and a water fountain.

The ride will start and end at the Livermore public library at 1182 South Livermore Avenue. Following the ride, for those who are interested, we will have a picnic in the sculpture plaza directly behind the Livermore City Hall and police headquarters, adjacent to the library. This will not be a pot luck picnic so just bring what you would like to enjoy after the bike ride. The library has a café where you can purchase sandwiches, desserts and drinks. Though seating is available in the sculpture garden, you might want to bring a blanket and/or collapsible lawn chairs.

Be sure to put air in your tires before arriving at the library, and bring your favorite beverage for the ride, as well as a snack to keep your energy levels up.

Feel free to call me with any questions.

Wayne Ainsworth
510-537-2099



Join the Sitzmark Cabin this Year: It's a Good Deal for Skiing!

We are once again planning to lease the "Sitzmark cabin" in Tahoe Donner area near Truckee. For those of you who are not familiar with this cabin, it has six sleeping rooms, extensive kitchen and dining facilities, and a large common area with TV and computer access. A lease is not yet in hand; we are waiting for the cabin owner to inform us of his dates for occupying the cabin in March. When that is settled we will send out a cabin package to previous members and advertise the cabin at club meetings, as well as posting the info on the website cvsc.org. If you want to know more now, contact Lloyd Chase at skisailloyd@comcast.net, or telephone (925) 447-3659. We have established the rate schedule for the coming year. For the first time in three years, we are modestly increasing membership and nightly costs to reflect increases in rent and utilities and maintenance costs. The rate schedule is as follows:

Family membership \$275/year
Single membership \$225/year

Nightly fees per person:
weekdays/non-holidays \$20/night
weekends/holidays \$25/night
children under 5 (sharing room) no charge
children 6 – 12 (sharing room) \$5/night
guests \$50/night

When you think about lodging in the Tahoe area, these rates are a bargain! Most hotels/motels are charging \$150 - \$200 and more per night for a room with no kitchen or dining facilities. The cabin also offers socialization with other club members in a pleasant and convenient environment for après ski parties, potluck dinners, and sharing of DVD movies and other group activities.

It is one of the best bargains for ski lodging in the Tahoe area!



Castro Valley Ski Club Newsletter

Come and Enjoy a
Holiday Dinner Meeting
Of the
Castro Valley Ski club

At
Sequoyah Country Club
 4550 Heafey Road
 Oakland, California 94605
WEDNESDAY, December 10, 2008

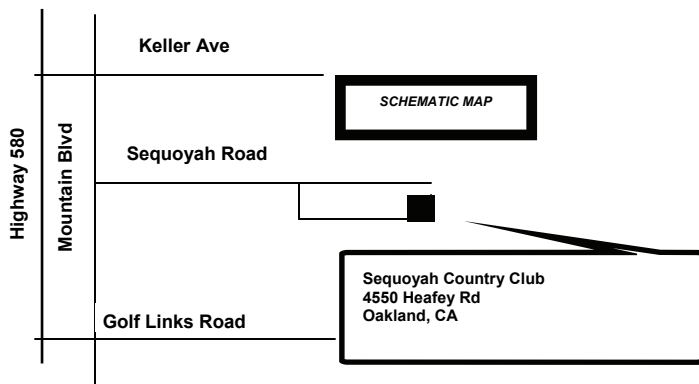
Business Casual or Better (no jeans!)
 No Host Cocktails 6:00 - 7:00
 Dinner/Meeting 7:00

CVSC Members: \$40 (chicken or salmon), non-members \$50

Send Check payable to CVSC to:
Pat Green, 4655 Cope Ct.,
Pleasanton, CA 94566
(925)846-7250

DIRECTIONS FROM BERKELEY:
 Take Hwy 580 or 13 to Keller Exit. Turn left and go over 580 overpass. Turn immediate right onto Mountain Blvd. Turn left onto Sequoyah Rd. Turn right onto Heafey Rd, CC is on right

DIRECTIONS FROM HAYWARD:
 Take Hwy 580 to 98th St/Golf Links Road Exit. Bear right and take immediate left onto Mountain Blvd. Turn



YES! I want to attend the CVSC Christmas Party!

Name (s) _____

Phone # _____ **email** _____

No. of Salmon Dinners @ \$40 _____ **total \$** _____

No. of Chicken Dinners @ \$40 _____ **total \$** _____

Total Amount of check enclosed \$ _____

Send Check payable to CVSC to:
Pat Green, 4655 Cope Ct.,
Pleasanton, CA 94566

CASTRO VALLEY SKI CLUB

Annual Auction 2008



Our Annual Ski Club Auction Fund-Raiser is a must not miss event, so mark your calendar as this years auc-
tion will be held **Wednesday, November 19th** with **FREE margarita happy hour starting at 6:30 PM** and
AUCTION to follow at **7:30 at DON JOSE'S MEXICAN RESTAURANT IN CASTRO VALLEY.**

COME JOIN THE FUN, BRING A FRIEND, AND DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR CHECKBOOK, as you
will want to **BID** on all the wonderful items that have been donated for this event. Remember as you push to be
the high bidder that all proceeds from the auction go to help subsidizes and fund our club events throughout the year.

Each year we are continually amazed with all the wonderful items, events, and services donated and
pleasantly surprised with the hoopla and terrific results from the bidding frenzy.

As you are marking your calendar to attend this year's auction you will also want to start thinking of
ITEMS, EVENTS, AND/OR SERVICES, which you would like to **DONATE.** Just fill out an **AUCTION FORM** below and return it to **DAVE
SILVA AS SOON AS POSSIBLE...**

CVSC ANNUAL AUCTION FUND-RAISER

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2008 / TIME: 7:30 PM
DON JOSE'S MEXICAN RESTAURANT**

FILL OUT THE AUCTION FORM BELOW AND RETURN IT VIA EMAIL, FAX, OR MAIL

**TO: DAVE SILVA, EMAIL: silvadave@yahoo.com, Fax: 510-538-0922,
MAIL: 1883 Strobridge Avenue, Castro Valley, CA 94546**

AUCTION FORM

Donated By: _____ **Phone:** _____

Email: _____ **Estimated Value:** _____

DESCRIPTION OF Item to be Auctioned:

Castro Valley Ski Club Newsletter

All,
Below are tour dates for the new 2008 Warren Miller film 'Children of Winter' for the greater San Francisco Bay, Modesto, Monterey, Sacramento & Lake Tahoe areas. This schedule is as of today and is subject to change (shows may be added or canceled). I checked pricing for a couple of shows and tickets were \$17-18 each (before fees). Also, there is usually a discount for group purchases of 12 or more.

From Skinet.com website:

'Warren Miller's Children of Winter', the largest action sports film on the planet, is Warren Miller Entertainment's 59th film! Presented in striking high-definition and narrated by skiing icon Jonny Moseley, **Warren Miller's Children of Winter** showcases incredible cinematography that will get you craving deep powder, fresh lines, and outrageous adventure!

This year's film takes you on a daring escape to electrifying global destinations, including Japan, Austria, Iceland, and more! Don't forget to breathe as snowboarding's Olympic Gold Medalist Seth Westcott charges down the Alaskan backcountry, as surf legend Gerry Lopez shreds the Oregon steeps, and as Chris Anthony takes on Leadville Colorado's legendary Skijoring competition. Warren Miller film premiers are an experience, a celebration, and a phenomenon not to be missed! The World Tour starts October 22nd and tickets go on sale September 17th!

For more information, including venue and ticketing options, go to:
<http://www.skinet.com/warrenmiller/>

<u>Schedule (Date, Time, City)</u>	
	Sat 11/22 6 & 9pm Campbell
Wed 11/5 7pm Monterey	Sat 11/22 8pm Reno
Thur 11/6 8pm Livermore	Sun 11/23 7pm Pleasanton
Thur 11/6 8pm San Jose	Tues 11/25 8pm Santa Cruz
Fri 11/7 6:30 & 9:30pm Mtn View	Wed 11/26 8pm Santa Cruz
Fri 11/7 6:30 & 9:30pm Sacramento	Fri 11/28 6:30 & 9:15pm North Lake Tahoe
Sat 11/8 6 & 9pm Mtn View	Fri 11/28 7pm Bear Valley
Sat 11/8 6 & 9pm Sacramento	Sat 11/29 6:30 & 9:15pm North Lake Tahoe
Sun 11/9 8pm Santa Rosa	Sat 11/29 7pm Grass Valley
Tues 11/11 8pm San Francisco	Fri 12/5 6 & 9pm Modesto
Tues 11/11 8pm Walnut Creek	Fri 12/5 7:30pm South Lake Tahoe
Wed 11/12 6 & 9pm Walnut Creek	Sat 12/6 3, 6 & Modesto
Wed 11/12 8pm San Francisco	Sat 12/6 7:30pm South Lake Tahoe
Thur 11/13 8pm San Francisco	Fri 12/12 6 & 9pm Stockton
Fri 11/14 8pm San Francisco	Sat 12/13 6 & 9pm Fresno
Sun 11/16 7pm San Mateo	Sat 12/13 6 & 9pm Stockton
Tues 11/18 8pm Palo Alto	
Wed 11/19 8pm Berkeley	Linda BAC Public Affairs
Thur 11/20 8pm Berkeley	
Fri 11/21 8pm San Rafael	

Wine Tour to Sonoma County

Story & photos by Jim Korn



On the wine tour were Dave Silva, Sandy Beecher (our Leader), Donna Garrett, Hyeja Busse, Claudia Fernandes, Eberhardt Busse, Eva Lanphear, Jim Gartland, Paula Kinahon, Jim Korn, Diana Gartland, Rita Hayden and Ben Newmarker.

The first weekend in October about a dozen CVSCers ventured forth with Sandy Beecher to discover three little-known wineries in Sonoma County. The first was Nicholson Ranch, only five years old with great promise in its organic wine making venture. Mark, the Sommelier, was one of the most knowledgeable we'd encountered in our many wine tours. We learned a lot. The second winery was unique because of its long history stretching back 150 years to the time of Spanish land grants. The old vine wines were impressive and we enjoyed our picnic lunch on the beautiful grounds. Moon Mountain winery was our last stop. It is perched atop the Sonoma side of Mt. Veeder at the end of a long, narrow road. The wines here were very good and we stayed quite awhile.

The great wine tour wound up with a nice BBQ at Sandy's home in Napa. For the first time, the weather was cool enough for a sweater, but the food was great and we all had a fun time. Highlight of the party was Sandy's new Wii, on which we all failed at ski jumping and slalom racing! Thanks Sandy, for a fun, interesting wine tour—again!



At Nicholson Ranch, the Sommelier, Mark Mendoza, paired and conducted an interesting tour of this young winery.



We enjoyed the lovely picnic area at Bartholomew Park Winery. This winery has a history of grape growth going back 150 years. The tasting room is in a remodeled ancient hospital, which now displays many artifacts from their long history.



The Moon Mountain winery was nearly wiped out in a fire, but came back with totally organic methods and a clever layout utilizing gravity processing only.

Castro Valley Ski Club

presents

2009 Beaver Creek Ski Week



Jan.31st-Feb.6th, 2009

\$1035 plus air (around \$300)

Package Includes:

- 6 Nights Lodging DELUXE ski-in ski-out Highlands Condos
- Round Trip transfers from Denver
- 4-Day Lift Ticket
- Porter Fee
- All Taxes
- Daily Maid Service
- CV Party and more.....



The Highlands are luxury Ski-In/Ski-Out Condos - 3 Bedroom / 3 Bath - Fireplace, Kitchen & Balcony - Daily Maid Service - Jacuzzi, Pools, Health Club - Free In-Town Shuttle

Send a \$200 deposit made out to CVSC to:

Pat Green, CVSC Trip Leader
4655 Cope Ct. Pleasanton CA 94566
925-846-7250
greenm@comcast.net



Cancellation penalties will apply
must be a member of the Castro Valley Ski Club
CVSC CST # 2081040



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One Great Town!**

MARCH 12-17, 2009

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including flights

Your Vacation Includes:

- **Five nights Hotel Accomodations**
Park City Peaks Hotel - 2 per room
Daily hot breakfast & cookie man visits
- **Four Days Skiing**
1 @ Park City, 1 @ The Canyons & 1 @ Deer Valley -
You pick the 4th day!!
- **Roundtrip airfare San Francisco to Salt Lake City**
- **Charter Bus - Salt Lake to Park City**
- **Welcome reception**

For More Information

Paula Kinahon

415-983-7145 day

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KeystoneNationals

4th Annual Keystone National Races

12/10/2008 to 12/14/2008

Lodging Options: 4 Nights Lodging Priced at two people per bedroom or hotel room

Inn at Keystone Hotel- Hotel Room(2ppl) \$252.00 per person
 River Run- One Bedroom (2ppl) \$399.00 per person
 River Run- Two Bedroom, 2 Bath (4ppl) \$271.00 per person
 Soda Ridge/Forest Condos- One Bedroom (2ppl)\$290.00 per person
 Soda Ridge/Forest Condos- Two Bedroom, 2 Bath (4ppl)\$195.00 per person
 Soda Ridge/Forest Condos- Three Bedroom (6ppl) \$190.00 per person

Ground Transfers: Roundtrip from Denver Airport to Lodging in

Keystone 5-7 Passenger Van \$1040.00 per charter
 12 Passenger Van \$1160.00 per charter
 15 Passenger Van \$1265.00 per charter
 42 Passenger Coach \$1587.00 per charter
 52 Passenger Coach \$1799.00 per charter
 3 Day Lift Ticket**08/09 rates not released yet- UNCONFIRMED** \$135.00 per person
 Air- call for availability and rates
 TO BOOK Your Trip Contact Ryan Jordi
ryan@Ski.com 1-866-665-1041

Trip Insurance if accepted. For questions, please call a representative at the 24-hour help desk at 1-866-204-7287. Use product ID # 001000012. Trip Insurance costs is 7% of per person package price. All prices include taxes unless otherwise stated. The prices reflected in this proposal are based upon payment by check. However, Ski.com can offer the convenience of payment by credit card for an additional 3%. A signed credit card authorization is required.

2008 Keystone National Races
www.keystonenationals.com

Register to RACE: email Keystonenationals@sbglobal.net

Racing & Party (banquet, après party, racing, awards) \$175.00 per person
 12/11 Qualifier Race
 12/12 Giant Slalom Race
 12/13 Slalom Race, Banquet
 1. Only National Recreational Championship Ski

Race.

2. Eleven skill race classes each competitor can be placed in.
3. Three age groups, 17 and under, 18-49, and 50 and above.
4. Authorized by the National Ski Council Federation.
5. Race with skiers of similar ability, sex, and age.
6. Great early season skiing and competition.
7. Fun après ski parties.
8. Opportunity to ski additional days at other Vail Resort Ski Areas
9. Includes two race runs on each of three days.
10. Also qualifies as NASTAR races.
11. Any level skier or racer has an opportunity to win their class.
12. A great way to meet skiers and racers from all over the country.
13. Bring a team from your Ski Council and compete for the Keystone Council Cup.
14. Includes fun filled Awards Banquet on final evening.

Go to www.keystonenationals.com for registration information and forms

Contact

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To book lodging

For More info

Call Nancy at (775)338-3438

Email: keystonenationals@sbglobal.net

Website: www.keystonenationals.com



Austrian Alps FWSA Ski Trip

February 27 to March 7, 2009

\$1690 per person*



You will stay at the Elisabethpark four star hotel, which is in the heart of Bad Gastein and an hour drive from Salzburg. The Gasteineralp mountains rise on three sides of the Gastein Valley. Bad Gastein is a charming historic village with a world famous spa. The town has many restaurants and shops for you to peruse. Winter snow blankets more than 125 miles of slopes, drawing all levels of skiers and boarders to the Gastein ski region which is one of Austria's largest.

The Elisabethpark Hotel has a spa, wellness treatment centre, health club, bar/lounge, and indoor swimming pool. They have a large dining room where you will enjoy a breakfast buffet in the morning and a five course dinner at night. Trip cost includes hotel, meals as described, ground transportation to and from hotels and airports, and flights from/to LAX or SFO. Day trips will be announced later.

Upgrade to Deluxe Room: \$100 extra Single Room Supplement: \$235 extra

* Estimated US departure taxes, customs, immigration and fuel charge: \$275

Munich and Prague Extension

\$855 per person* March 7 - March 14, 2009

(Must be taken in conjunction with Basic Ski Week)



Travel by private coach from Bad Gastein to Munich. Spend three nights in Munich at the Four Star Holiday Inn City Centre. Includes half day Munich guided tour. Travel by private coach between Munich and Prague with English speaking guide. Enjoy four nights accommodations in Prague at the Four Star Ametyst Hotel. Includes a half day Prague guided tour. Hospitality desk with English speaking Guide and Breakfast are included at all hotels.

Single Supplement \$475 extra * Estimated fuel charge for extension: \$30

\$200 per participant deposit required to hold a place on the Basic Ski Week and \$200 for the Post Extension. A \$25.00 fee will be charged for all cancellations. Deposits are refundable until November 1, 2008. Make checks out to Far West Ski Association (FWSA). Please include the following with your check: (1) your legal name and address, (2) phone number, and (3) email address. Send to: FWSA International Travel, 901 Sousa Dr., Walnut Creek, CA 94597-2922.

For information contact Norm Azevedo at 925-944-9816, or email: fwsatravel@sbglobal.net FWSA CST # 2036983-40



FAR WEST SKI ASSOCIATION 2009 SKI WEEK

BIG SKY

January 24 - 31, 2009

Average Price \$965

*Price does NOT include air or ground transportation. Prices vary depending on lodging selection.

Price includes 7 nights lodging (double occupancy) and the FWSA amenity package. (FWSA amenities packages will NOT be sold separately)

The FWSA amenity package includes:

- Registration
- Welcome Party
- Pub Crawl
- 3 Races
- Mountain Picnic
- Après Ski Party
- Farewell Awards Banquet
- 5 day Lift Ticket

Bay Area Snow Sports Council (BAC) is accepting \$200 per participant deposits. Deposits are fully refundable until July 1, 2008. Make checks payable to BAC with FWSA Big Sky noted in the "for" space. Please include the following with your check: (1) your legal name and address, (2) phone numbers, and (3) e-mail address. Send to: BAC Travel, 1908 Colubard Way, Modesto, CA 95351. For information contact Linda Hennings at 209-538-3590 (evenings), or email: lindahennings@sbglobal.net

Must be a Member of Far West Ski Association CST # 2036983-40

CARIBBEAN CRUISE OCTOBER 18-25, 2009



Dear Ski Club Cruisers,

Thank you for your deposit of \$25.00 for the Caribbean Cruise Oct. 18-25, 2009.

You have selected at:
 Balcony Room - \$749
 (price is per person - 2 in a room)

Please review the following deposit and cancellation policy:

Deposits:
 \$25 DEPOSIT PER PERSON
 \$100 DUE July 1st 2008
 \$250 DUE APRIL 1st, 2009
 FINAL DUE JULY 1st, 2009

Cruise Cancellation Policy

AFTER JULY 1 st , 2008	\$25 PENALTY PER PERSON
AFTER OCT. 1 st , 2008	\$100 PENALTY PER PERSON
AFTER JULY 1 st , 2009	\$350 PENALTY PER PERSON
AFTER SEPT. 1 st , 2009	\$500 PENALTY WITH PORT CHARGES
AFTER OCT 1 st , 2009	NO REFUND



Balcony

IF YOU CANCEL YOU MAY BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SINGLE SUPPLEMENT FOR YOUR ROOMMATE

Travel insurance is advised. It can be obtained thru TRAVELGUARD online at www.travelguard.com. They offer specific cruise travel insurance. Please note it is the individual travelers responsibility to obtain this insurance, if desired. You can expect to pay between 5-7% of cruise price for insurance.



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Singles league racing: http://slracing.tripos.com/schedule.htm	Web cams on the slopes: www.magnifeye.com
Open league racing: www.olrc.org	Road conditions: 1-800-427-7623
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The Next Meeting will be
Nov. 5

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