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# CVSC SkiZette

March, 2013



## EVENTS CALENDAR

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### MARCH

- 13 CVSC board meeting at Dennie's
- 20 CVSC general meeting at Don Jose's
- 17-19 Mammoth Ski Trip

### APRIL

- 10 CVSC board meeting at Jim & Karen's
- 17 CVSC general meeting at Don Jose's

### MAY

- 8 CVSC board meeting at Sandy's
- 15 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](http://skibac.org)

Far West Ski Assoc: [fwsa.org](http://fwsa.org)



### MARCH BIRTHDAYS



Ron White	1	Annemiek Storm	18
Rosa Lee	1	Paula Kinahon	20
Kenn Wulff	9	Ginny Danelek	26
Shirley Mar	10	Agnes Johnson	27
R. Dean Michael	12	Abdollah Nejad	29
Young Kang	12	Dennis Sorensen	30



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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*

## A DAY AT THE RACES.....

Races in February were the Super G at Northstar, February 23 and 24. **Steve White** placed 1<sup>st</sup> in Level 6 men. **Ron White** also placed 1<sup>st</sup> as a Level 7 super vet men and 3<sup>rd</sup> overall in level 7, men. I was at Northstar on Friday, before the event, so I know that the weather and ski conditions were ideal. I meant to attend this event, but my darling wife cancelled our reservations in favor of a family event.

### The remaining race season is taking shape.

Next races are at Alpine Meadows, March 9<sup>th</sup> (SL) and 10<sup>th</sup> (GS).

We then have clinics, March 16-17 at Alpine Meadows.

Race 7 is at Alpine Meadows, March 23<sup>rd</sup> (GS).

Race 8 is at Homewood, March 24<sup>th</sup> (GS).



Keith Wilson  
Race Director

If you have not skied Homewood, try it. The skiing is good, and there are some breathtaking views of Lake Tahoe.

There is an Open League party after Race 7 at Alpine Meadows. Awards will be delayed until after the last race – Oh well!

Far West Championships are also at Alpine Meadows, April 5-7.

Websites: [www.skialpine.com](http://www.skialpine.com) and [www.skihomewood.com](http://www.skihomewood.com). Check the Open League Race Committee website for latest news and results: [www.olrc.org](http://www.olrc.org).

# Castro Valley Ski Club Newsletter

## President's Message

Hello Everyone,

I hope everyone is having a great ski season. The conditions right now are a little patchy, but I am told that a good storm is on its way this week. So, I hope you can get out there and enjoy the skiing.



Karen Wehrman  
President

Some of us are heading off to Mammoth Mountain in a couple of weeks for three days (or more if you are so inclined), and it should be a good time. Please be on the look-out for information about a Welcome party on Sunday night, March 17, and get together with other members on the trip. The conditions at Mammoth are reported to be quite good, so we should have some good skiing.

Our End-of-Season party is on May 4, and Pat Green has been busy planning a fun party to celebrate the end of the ski season and the beginning of the Summer season. This fun party is a chance to get dressed up in your finest and to dance yourself silly! I really hope to see you all there.

I also want to encourage all of you to attend the Far West Ski Association annual convention this year. In this issue of the Skizette is a good article to read about all the great reasons to attend. The Bay Area Council is the host of this year's convention, and our club will have a role there. So, it would really be great if lots of members could attend and make it a really good event. It takes place from June 6 through June 9, and you will not be sorry if you choose to attend. The convention is a lot of fun and there are lots of opportunities to learn a thing or two about the ski industry and the activities of ski clubs that make up Far West Ski Association, and just have some good plain fun with friends and fellow members.

As usual, there are so many great activities to take part in, and I hope you are taking advantage of your membership in Castro Valley Ski Club by joining in as many as you can. We have, in our club, such a great group of volunteers who make all these activities a reality, so please take it all in and have some fun!!

And, finally, don't forget to keep THINKING SNOW - the season is still in full swing!

Karen

## A Word from our VP



Ron White  
Vice President

Recently the snow has been getting thin in the Truckee area, but some moisture is coming later this week and it's badly needed. This is a busy month, with races at Alpine, and race clinics on the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. The Mammoth ski days are on the 18<sup>th</sup>+, and we're really looking forward to that. Mammoth is as good as it gets.

The Far West is giving rebates for Convention attendance. Every 6th attendee from a club receives \$149 for that club, the equivalent of the full early-bird registration amount. With 15 attendees already signed up, the CVSC already has \$298 coming. So in addition to the great ski trip and equipment auctions, you can help support the club by attending as well as in assisting in our convention jobs. There will be more about these jobs later. And the site is so near, in Reno.

It's time again for selection of the club's MWOY. That's man or woman of the year, inasmuch as our diversity sensitivity has not yet picked up on the XXY cases. Competing in the latter is about as crowded as racing in the men's 7 super-vet class. Lets the wind out of my own victory there in the Super-G.

Ron





## 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. The lodging will be in condos next year. Pricing will be close to what the FWSA/BAC trip is this year. Around \$1400-\$1500, air and transfers not included. Send us a quick email to let us know if you are sending in a deposit. We already have 12 sign-ups. Send a \$200 deposit to:

Tucker Hoffmann  
CVSC Travel Director  
2657 Rivers Bend Circle  
Livermore, CA 94550



### *Crested Butte Pictures Web Site*

Jim Nachbar set up a website for photo uploads for the Crested Butte ski trip. You need to be logged into the website to view or upload photos.

Go to [cvsc.clubpower.com](http://cvsc.clubpower.com) and look for the "register" link in the upper right corner, enter your info to register, and then check for the email - click on the link in the email to complete registration and view and/or upload photos.

Once you are logged in, you can also view a slideshow of the photos uploaded so far -- look for the slideshow icon at the top of the sidebar on the right. You can upload however many photos or videos you want -- look for the "Add" link on the upper left of the page.

(If you want to use https, <https://cvsc.clubpower.com> will also work, but you will have to ignore the certificate error)

***FWSA Convention is coming up.  
Hosted by BAC***

***Don't forget to make your reservations***

***[www.fwsa.org](http://www.fwsa.org)***

Far West Ski Association  
**81<sup>st</sup> Annual Convention**  
June 6-9, 2013

Grand Sierra Resort & Casino  
2500 E. 2nd St., Reno, NV 89595

*Mountain Magic Moments*  
- hosted by Bay Area Snow Sports Council

**May 10, 2013 is the Early Bird Deadline.**

2013 FWSA  
MOUNTAIN MAGIC MOMENTS  
BAY AREA SNOW SPORTS COUNCIL



## Far West News:

**Mt. Bachelor – 2nd Annual Mini North American Ski Trip** Join FWSA members on our 2nd Annual mini ski trip to **Mt. Bachelor** from March 25 – 30, 2013.

*Gloria Raminha VP of North American Travel*



5 nights and 3 or 4 days of skiing. The trip package also includes a full American breakfast every day, a welcome party, last tracks après ski party, tubing party and a farewell party. The flyer and sign-up details are on the [www.fwsa.org](http://www.fwsa.org) website. Included in the trip package is: This FWSA trip is limited to the first 100 signups. A \$50 refundable (until November 15) deposit will guarantee your spot. **Transportation is not provided by FWSA.** Air reservations should be made into Redmond/Bend Airport. Roundtrip shuttle service from Redmond Airport to The Riverhouse will be provided for free. For more details and sign-up information for this trip, go to [www.fwsa.org](http://www.fwsa.org).

## Castro Valley Ski Club Malaysia & Borneo Adventure September 18<sup>th</sup> – Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2013

Kuala Lumpur, Kuching, Batang Ai, Miri, & Kota Kinabalu  
plus Penang Island optional extension

**\$3545 – PENANG ISLAND EXTENSION ADD \$625**

**WAIT LISTED**

### Includes;

Round-trip airfare from LAX or SFO to Kuala Lumpur via China Air including fuel surcharges and airport taxes

- 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
- **And more.....in the works**



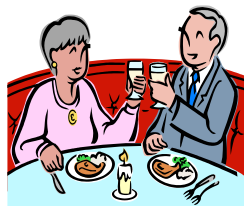
Borneo Adventure itinerary map



Tucker - CVSC Travel Director & Kathy, assistant  
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925-371-1910 [tkhoffmann@comcast.net](mailto:tkhoffmann@comcast.net)

**CVSC CST # 2081040**

# 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)

Name(s)	Menu choice #	Member?	Amt enclosed
_____	_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	_____	\$ _____
Phone _____			
Email _____			Total amount enclosed\$ _____



# Far West Ski Association

2014 Annual Ski Week in Beaver Creek, CO

"The Voice of the Western Skier"



*Presents*

Ⓢ Beaver Creek. *Not exactly roughing it.*

**January 25th to February 1st, 2014**

Ski week package prices will be available through Council's participating in the FWSA Ski Week in Beaver Creek

Lift tickets are included in the ski week package; however, EPIC passes will also be available and should be purchased from our Tour Operator at Skigroup.net by calling 1-800-500-2SKI (2745). 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](http://www.snow.com/epic-pass).

## FWSA Package Includes:

- 7 Nights Lodging (dbl. occ.)
- Far West Amenity Package
  - Registration
  - Mountain Rally
  - Welcome Party
  - Races
  - Pub Crawl
  - Mountain Picnic
  - Ski Week Banquet
  - Awards Après Party
  - 5 or 6 Day Lift Tickets

*Lift tickets are good at  
5 Colorado Resorts*

## For More information contact a Council Trip Coordinator

Arizona Council	Dan & Kim Spencer	480-220-6906	2peasnapod@q.com
Bay Area Council	Paula Kinahon	510-357-6127	pkinahon@gmail.com
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Northwest Council	Christine Ciardi	503-819-3128	c2blondie@hotmail.com
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San Diego Council	Susan Shaffer	858-481-5043	susansnowdrifter@yahoo.com
Sierra Council	Debbie Stewart	559-734-9294	gwstewart@prodigy.net

Gloria Raminha, FWSA VP North American Travel, 12707 Windy Ridge Dr., Bakersfield, CA 93312  
661-829-5996 (phone) - 661-800-8229 (Cell) - [fwsa.natravel@bak.rr.com](mailto:fwsa.natravel@bak.rr.com)

*Must be a member of a Far West Ski Association affiliated ski club or a FWSA Direct Member*  
CST #2036983-40



## From the secretary's desk.....

### by Eva Lanphear

As secretary for the club I do not write a monthly article for the Skizette I only write the monthly minutes for the board meeting. But, on occasion, I will pen an article when I have participated in an activity that I think was full of ski fun and opportunity- That is the purpose of this article.

Those of you who come to the meetings have heard me stand up and encourage you to consider going to the **FWSA** convention each year. I tell you that it is a lot of fun and that the silent auction is a great opportunity to get a package to go visit a new (smaller) resort that maybe FWSA, BAC nor CVSC will not do a trip to. Or---- just as important, treat a friend or relative to a resort if they do not otherwise ski beyond their local home resort.

A couple of years ago, I took some young friends of mine to Aspen/Snowmass. Their young daughter wanted to ski well but maybe it was age or just young child angst, but she had lots of fear and resistance. At Snowmass ski school she got it. We had so much fun showing her the mountain. Her parents, both excellent skiers are having fun skiing with her this year. She says with pride she learned to ski in Aspen/Snowmass.

This past convention, I bid on and got the Sun Peaks Resort in the Kamloops region of British Columbia. For 4 days of skiing, 6 nights in a Deluxe Studio (jr one bedroom) unit at the Nancy Green Cahilty Lodge-and an airport transfer to boot. Granted the Sun Peaks resort is an intermediate level skier's dream come true-still there were plenty of runs for the very adventuresome black diamond folks. As we quickly found out, there are blue runs and then there are **blue** runs. I would frequently find myself saying if I can make this first turn I think I can make the rest of them. It was fun and exhilarating to stretch my skiing skills. The Mountain guides are as good as it gets. They will take you anywhere on the mountain your heart desires. They were personable and willing to challenge us to try new runs that were just a tad riskier than what we would have chosen on our own.

We were in a ski in/ski out lodge, the lunch cafes provided tasty food and the dinner choices were **GREAT!!** In BC if you are close to the Coast- fish and chips do not mean frozen fish- it is fresh succulent fish = what a wonderful surprise. (While I do not eat grains/wheat anymore) I ordered fish and chips and peeled away the breading- the fish was that good.

The upshot of this article is: This year the Local Council-**Our Council -BAC is hosting the convention in Reno.** Make Plans to come to the Convention- Even if you only come on **Friday Nite- It Is FREE- To the silent Auction.** Bid on a trip- go have a wonderful ski adventure and then come home and tell us about it. But fair warning, I am on the prowl for a new adventure. So see you at the silent auction.

The Intrepid Skier

## Why come to the Convention?

By Mary Azevedo

Why come to the FWSA Convention? First and foremost, you will make lasting friendships. When my husband Norm and I went to our first convention in San Jose many years ago, we hardly knew anyone. Now we have many convention friends. When you go, take some members from your club with you so you have people to hang out with.

Almost every meal has tables labeled with the council names. When you sit at these tables, you will meet people who live in your local area; take time to introduce yourself and talk about skiing and any other subject that interests you. As the weekend progresses, you will see these same people at all kinds of events. As time goes by, you will have some friends that you look forward to seeing at the conventions year after year.

Why come to the FWSA convention being held at the glamorous and remodeled Grand Sierra Hotel and Casino in Reno? It is so easy to get there by plane, car, or RV. Arrangements have been made for RV owners to enjoy the same amenities as hotel guests. Just make sure you use the FWSA code when making your hotel reservations to receive our group rate.

Starting on Thursday night, you are in for lots of fun at the **Pub Crawl**, being planned by Catherine Ohl and Gene Fulkerson, who did an outstanding job running last year's event. The Pub Crawl includes both ski members and the ski industry representatives. This is a great opportunity to meet the industry and find out what is new at their ski resort and what the hot new ski equipment is. They are very congenial people, and you will enjoy talking to them about skiing.

Friday is the day to enjoy great events that have been planned for you. Most of these events start in the morning and will be over by the time the Beach Party starts. You can: play golf in the **7th Annual Michael German Memorial Golf Tournament** at the LakeRidge Golf Course; go **White Water Rafting**; take a **Historic Walk Along the Truckee River** and visit the **Auto Museum** (with tour guides), Play **Miniature Golf, Bowl and learn Pai Gow** or enjoy a **Spa Day** all at the Grand Sierra Resort; or Hike Mt. Rose (if the ice is gone).

That evening, you can go to the Silent Auction and bid on over \$100,000 in ski and adventure trips (both domestic and international) and sports equipment. The packages are a tremendous value. You will get caught up in the bidding and **REALLY** want to win one of the packages. As the bidding gets close to closing, you will see the serious bidders standing nearby, watching to see if anyone wants to make a higher bid than yours. Hang in there, **YOU CAN WIN** real bargains!!

On Saturday the Travel Expo, panel sessions and Snowsports Leadership Academy give attendees knowledge they can take back to their clubs. For example, helping ski club members communicate on the net and providing ideas on how to energize meetings. The Saturday keynote speakers are always interesting and informative. The Saturday evening Awards Banquet and Dance is something we always look forward to. You will see awards handed out to our most honored volunteers and industry partners. To enter the individual, club and council recognition programs, go to the FWSA.org website for deadlines and rules.

All this fun and activity will be followed on Sunday morning with the business end of the Convention. This is when officers are elected, by-laws and resolutions are voted on, and all other FWSA business is addressed. The morning's General Session is all planned around a sumptuous Sunday Brunch.

Make your plans now to attend the **81st Annual Far West Ski Association Convention June 6-9, 2013**, hosted by the Bay Area Snow Sports Council. It is not only fun and a great place to meet people with similar interests, but very educational. For complete details and contact information, see the FWSA Convention flyer in this publication.





## Far West Ski Association 81<sup>st</sup> Annual Convention *Mountain Magic Moments*

**June 6-9, 2013**

**Grand Sierra Resort & Casino**



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

*hosted by Bay Area Snow Sports Council*



### 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](http://www.fwsa.org)

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FWSA Convention Chair  
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• **Mary Olhausen**  
Silent Auction/Travel Expo Chair  
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• **Linda Indreboe**  
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## **2012/2013 Avid Skiers in Control**

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**WEBSITE: [www.cvskiclub.org](http://www.cvskiclub.org)**

## **WEBSITES & PHONE NUMBERS**

Singles league racing:  
[slracing.tripos.com/schedule.htm](http://slracing.tripos.com/schedule.htm)

Open league racing: [olrc.org](http://olrc.org)

Weather: [nws.mbay.net/home.html](http://nws.mbay.net/home.html)

Best weather website for snow: [Tahoeweatherdiscussion.com](http://Tahoeweatherdiscussion.com)

Far West Racing Assoc: [fwra.com](http://fwra.com)

Web cams on the slopes: [magnifeye.com](http://magnifeye.com)

Road conditions: 1-800-427-7623

Info on all ski areas: [onthesnow.com](http://onthesnow.com)

Take a bus to the slopes: [nacski.com](http://nacski.com) & [bayareaskibus.com](http://bayareaskibus.com)

Sierra webcam: [sierravisionsstock.com:80/sierravisions/sierra-nevada-webcams/](http://sierravisionsstock.com:80/sierravisions/sierra-nevada-webcams/)

## ***SKIZETTE FOR MARCH, 2013***



The next meeting will be  
March 20

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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