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CVSC SkiZette

April, 2011



EVENTS CALENDAR

(f) = flyer in this issue

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APRIL

- 4/1-3 OLRC Racing Far West Championships at Alpine (4/1 Clinic; 4/2 SL; 4/3 GS)
- 4/6 CVSC general meeting at Don Jose's
- 4/13 CVSC board meeting at Dave Cunningham's
- 4/20 CVSC general meeting at Don Jose's
- 4/23 CVSC End of Season Banquet (f)
- 4/29-5/13 13 day Danube River Cruise (f)

MAY

- 5/11 CVSC board meeting (during Danube River Cruise)
- 5/18 CVSC general meeting at Don Jose's

JUNE

- 6/8 CVSC board meeting at Dave Silva's
- 6/15 CVSC general meeting at Don Jose's

UPCOMING

- 8/19 Volunteer Party
- 10/1/-11/1 South Africa Highlights & Safari (f)
- 2012:
 - 1/21-28 CVSC Snowmass, CO Ski trip (f)
 - November Australia & New Zealand trip (non-skiing) (f)

BAC/FWSA TRIPS

Please visit websites for detailed information.

BAC Web site: skibac.org

Far West Ski Assoc: fwsa.org



Visit our Website at www.cvskiclub.org

Castro Valley Ski Club Newsletter

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
Club ski pole flags \$5

SEE DEAN OR JOLENE MICHAEL TO PURCHASE ANY OF THESE GREAT ITEMS
510-632-9353; deanfromoak@sbcglobal.net
or jolenemichael@yahoo.com

SkiZette Policy NEWSLETTER

DEADLINE: last week of the month

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

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



SPORTING GOODS EXCHANGE

Recycle Skis and Boards Now through the end of ski season

Bring your old skis and snowboards to Sports Basement and let [Chairs 4 Charity](#) repurpose them into functional works of art that will raise funds for local charities. Since 2009, Chairs 4 Charity has made chairs and benches from salvaged skis, snowboards, and lumber to raise money for Highlands Elementary, Woodside Elementary, PEAK Education Foundation, Green Valley Elementary, Pleasant Hill Middle School, and others. Visit the [Chairs 4 Charity](#) site for more info.

Should you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me. My website only shows a fraction of my work and a snowboard bench was auctioned last weekend at Green Valley Elementary (Danville) for \$375 and sets of Adirondack chairs are soon being auctioned to benefit Highlands Elementary School (Concord) and Woodside Elementary School (Concord). Thanks so much, Barry

Barry Mendelson, CFP
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APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Karen BohannonReed	1
Ken Calkins	3
Russell Schrader	7
Norman Glickman	8
Jan Dark	10
Marianne Carruth	17
Marty Acuff	18
Linda Michaels	19
Lynnell Calkins	19
Diana Gartland	23
Rebecca Adams	29



President's Message

Hello CVSC Members,

Well, what a season it has been, or should I say continues to be? Mother Nature has seen fit to bless us with copious amounts of the sweet white stuff this year and has extended the ski season for a good while longer. In fact, sometimes there has been so much snow it has been difficult to get to the mountain to ski in it. Such abundance!! Even as the urge to ski is still strong, many of us must make time to prepare for the upcoming Danube River cruise. The group will leave on April 29 and return on May 13.



Karen Wehrman
President

Remember, there are still two meetings this month, April 6 and 20, but in May we move to one meeting per month - the third Wednesday of the month, May 18. It will be at that meeting that you will be asked to vote on whether the club should continue having one meeting per month for the remainder of the year. The proposal is to have those single meetings on the third Wednesday of the month every month. I hope to see you at the May 18 meeting so you can weigh in on this change. We all look forward to the July and August BBQ meetings at a member's home - watch for announcements on the location for those meetings. These meetings are always fun and a good chance to socialize with other members in a casual and outdoor setting.

As the ski season winds down, we all have learned of some very sad news regarding the loss of Jim Korn, a very beloved member of our club. Please see the article outlining Jim's contributions to CVSC over many years - and please keep Paula in your thoughts and prayers. A Celebration of Jim's wonderful life is tentatively planned for April 16, and more information will be coming, by email alert, when the date is firm.

I hope that you all will get in that last ski run of the season and feel a sense of anticipation about the unfolding of Spring and all its abundance!

I think it is o.k. to stop "thinking snow" now - you all did a very good job of that this year!

Karen

Election of Directors

— Call for volunteers —

The annual election for the Board of Directors of the Castro Valley Ski Club will take place at the General Membership meeting in April 2011. This is an important event, so mark your calendars and watch the newsletter for more information.

Have you ever thought of helping out the club as one of the leaders? How about as an assistant? Do you have organizational skills? Maybe you have experience from other clubs as an officer or director. Now is a perfect time to contact a current board member and express your interest. We need good people to make the club stronger. It is the volunteers that have made this ski club one of the best in the west. We need you! You can make a difference.

We welcome all comments and questions. The Board is here to serve you, the membership.

JIM KORN - CVSC MEMBER EXTRORDINAIRE

As many of you have already learned, our Club and the world have lost a most extraordinary person, Jim Korn. Surrounded by family, Jim lost his battle with pancreatic cancer on Wednesday, March 23. Jim lived a wonderful life, and part of that life included Castro Valley Ski Club - and how lucky we all were to have known him. His quick wit, easy and friendly manner and infectious laughter made him a joy to spend time with and a positive addition to every social event. He just seemed to embody a spirit of fun! His deep love for Paula and his family shown through everything he did. If you were lucky enough to share some of his culinary creations at a party or club BBQ, you also know that Jim was an enthusiastic, creative and talented cook.

Because Jim was modest about his accomplishments, not everyone might be aware of just how much Jim contributed to CVSC and BAC throughout the years. Jim joined CVSC in 1992, and volunteered in so many ways all through his time as a member. Jim volunteered as CVSC Vice President in the years of 1997/98 through 1999/2000. He was CVSC President in the year of 2000/01. Jim's contributions to the Club and the Board of Directors was such that he was made a Trustee beginning the year 2008/09.



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One of Jim's greatest contributions was to edit the Skizette for 8 years, and in training Dennie Warren to do such a great job when he resigned from his editing duties.

Jim was CVSC "Man of the Year" in 1998/99 and 2007/08.

His contributions to BAC (Bay Area Council) were numerous as well.

He was BAC "Man of the Year" in 1999 and BAC Communications Director 1996 – 2001. Jim was responsible for compiling and editing the BAC Directory for many years including this past year.

Jim also assisted Diana Gartland in creating all the convention documents for the 2001 FWSA Convention.

There is definitely a theme here, Jim was not afraid of hard work, and gave in great measure to this Club, BAC and FWSA. His caring and kind gestures to all members was always appreciated, always making new members feel welcome. His hard work and spirit of volunteerism has very much helped CVSC be the dynamic and fun club that it is now. It would be an understatement to say that he will be sorely missed - we miss him already!

Industry Liaison David Cunningham – industry@skibac.org



Dave Cunningham
Industry Liaison

What an incredible March we have had. Two back to back weekends with Major storms and over 10' of snow in 10 days. It has been quite a month. Snow level was down to 2000'. They had a foot of snow on the ground in Forest-hill last weekend. Hwy 80 was closed for a day and a half last week due to the storms. Be sure to get up to the mountains and experience the latest gift from Mother Nature. The District 3 office of Caltrans has a great web page for getting information on road conditions and chain control status. District 3 is responsible for Hwy 80 and 50 in the Sierra's. There is a link in the middle of the page that will display a map showing current chain controls and Highway status. Be sure to check out this page before venturing out onto 80 or 50 when the snow starts falling. [Caltrans District 3 Road Conditions](#) Check out what's going on at our Sierra resorts.

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

Alpine Meadows has 26' of base and more snow is on the way. They have received over 201" in March. This is a new record for the resort. Alpine is celebrating their 50th anniversary this season. Join the new Alpine Club program to save on lift tickets. \$20 to sign up and it saves you \$10 on each ticket that you buy online more than 24hrs in advance of your ski day. Alpine is also putting their Spring pass on sale now. It is valid starting April 1st through the end of the season. It is only \$99. This is a great deal. Alpine is currently planning to stay in operation till May 15th. Check out their website for more info.

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

Bear Valley has over 200" of base. Bear has events planned for most of the Saturday's in April. Wine Tasting, Skier/Boarder cross, Pond Skimming and a Rail Jam. Head up Hwy 4 and enjoy the hospitality. They have their 2012 Season pass on sale now. Buy it and enjoy the rest of this season as well. It is also good for 5 days of skiing at Arapahoe Basin in Colorado. Be sure to check out Bear's website for up to date info.

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

Boreal has 23-31 feet of base. That is Feet not inches. 31 feet is a lot of snow. Boreal has seen over 63" of snow so far this season. Boreal offers their "iRide" card. With it you can ski 2 days and get a 3rd day free. Boreal has been busy this past summer. They have added even more snowmaking and upgraded their lighting for night skiing. Be sure to check out their web page for the latest information.

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

Diamond Peak is open and has 12-19 feet of base. Diamond Peak will be hosting their annual Dummy Downhill April 2nd. Diamond Peak is a Kid friendly resort and has lots of packages for kids and parents to save money. They do have their season passes on sale now. Be sure to check out the new and improved base lodge facilities. Diamond Peak will complete Phase 2 of their base renovations this December. They are adding a stairway between the upper and lower parking lots as well as an all-new Ski School and Services building to go along with their new lodge. See their website for details.

***Dodge Ridge:** www.dodgeridge.com.

Dodge Ridge is 100% open. They have a base of 12-14 feet. Dodge had 12 ½ feet of snowfall over 8 days at the end of March. They have had the most snow in 30 years so far this season. They have been making improvements at this resort for the past few seasons. This is a great place to take the family. Discount tickets are available at Save Mart and Lucky's stores. Check their new and improved website for upcoming events.

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

Donner Ski Ranch is open. They have been making improvements at this resort for the past few seasons. It is a great mountain for beginners and families. Mid week they have \$25 adult and \$10 children's tickets. 6 chairs and 2 moving carpets serve 500 acres. This is a great place to take the family. Check their website for upcoming events.

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

Heavenly is open. They have 11-15 feet of base.

Glen Plake is hosting his annual Gun Barrel 25 on the 9th of April. Heavenly has been building a new lodge this year. The Tamarack Lodge at the top of the Gondola will provide indoor dining for up to 500 skiers in a new 15,000 sq ft facility. They will also have patio seating for 250 skiers outside. Be sure to check out their website for details.

***Homewood:** www.skihomewood.com.

Homewood is open. They have 24 feet of base. Homewood has some of the most scenic views of Lake Tahoe. Season Passes are on sale. JMA Ventures purchased the West Shore Café this summer and will be making it part of the Homewood resort. Check out their website for information and also check out their development plans.

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

Kirkwood is open. They have 24-28 feet of base. Kirkwood has had over 180" of snow in 7 days. For you iPhone users there is an app that they have developed to place resort info right on your phone. Kirkwood has added a Zip Line Adventure park this year. www.ziptahoe.com. Check out their website for details.

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

Mt. Rose is 100% open. They have 12-18 feet of base. They have their Spring passes and 2012 season passes on sale now. Mt Rose has built a new Lodge on the Slide Mtn. side of the resort. This new lodge features great views and a large sun deck that can hold 400 people. Mt. Rose is only 25 minutes from Reno. Check it out on their website.

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

Mammoth has 17-27' of base. Mammoth also has a custom iPhone app available to put resort info right at your fingertips. Horizon Air is providing air service into the Mammoth Lakes area. The service is planned to continue till April 24th. There will be Flights out of San Francisco and San Jose this season. Mammoth is a year round resort. Check out all the events they have planned: <http://www.mammothevents.com/>

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

Northstar is open. They have 11-17 feet of base. Northstar is now part of Vail Resorts. There are

lots of events on their calendar. Double Whammy passes good at Northstar and Sierra can now be converted into Vail Resorts Epic Passes. Check out the deals and what's happening on their website.

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

Sierra is open. They have 11-18 feet of base. Sierra has their season passes for 10-'11 on sale now. You can get a Sierra only season pass starting at \$199. Check out their website for details.

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

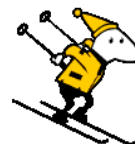
Soda Springs is open. They have 17-25 feet of base. Soda Springs has been making improvements to their Tubing Hill and to the Planet Kids play area this summer. Check out their website for details.

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

Squaw is open and has seen over 700" of snow fall so far this season. They currently have 8-18' of base. Squaw has the 2012 pass on sale now. \$399. Squaw Valley has lots of activities available for skiers and non-skiers. See their new web page for details.

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

Sugar Bowl is open top to bottom. They have 15-25 feet of base. Sugar Bowl plans to be open right on through to April 30th. Check out their season pass deals and events on their website.



Racing News

Open League hosted 7 races this season. Our Nor Cal Championships was cancelled due to the heavy snowfall we saw in March. Here is how our Castro Valley team has fared so far:

Brian Taylor, S02OM – Brian has had a great season so far. He bumped up from S03OM to S02OM in his first race this season. Since then he has had 5 1st place finishes and took first place overall in S02OM. Brian was also Racer of the year! Way to go Brian!

Stefanie Lincoln, S04JW – Stefanie had a 1st place finish her first race. She injured her knee though and has not raced the rest of the season. Her rehab is going well though and she will be back racing soon.

David Cunningham, S05OM – I had 2 1st place finishes the first weekend. Since then I had a crash, 2 - 2nd place finishes and a 1st. I finished 2nd in S05OM

Norm Glickman, S06OM – Norm had a 1st, 2 - 3rd's and a 5th place finish. Norm took 4th place in S06OM.

Steve White, S07OM – Steve has had 5 1st place finishes, a 2nd place and a 3rd place. Steve was 1st overall in S07OM.

Ron White, S07VM – Ron has had a 3rd, 2 - 4th's, 2 - 5th's and a 6th place finish this season. Ron took 4th place in S07VM.

Sandy Kiyomura, S09OW – Sandy has 5 1st's and a 2nd place finish. Sandy took 1st place overall in S09OW.

Our racers have been doing very well this season. Our Club took 6th place overall and 2nd place in points per racer start. We had a great season and everyone had a lot of fun racing as part of OLRC. Far West Finals is at Alpine Meadows April 2nd and 3rd. Our racers will be part of the OLRC team as we go up against the rest of the Leagues.

Dave Cunningham





SOUTH AFRICA HIGHLIGHTS & SAFARI

Cape Town, Kruger National Park, Swaziland, Zululand, Soweto & Hluhluwe National Park

also available Victoria Falls 3-night extension



October 18 - Nov 1, 2011 (13 days, arrive home on day 14)

\$3575 -SOLD OUT

taxes \$132 main trip or \$195 if you are doing main trip & Victoria Falls, insurance \$139

Included:

- Round-trip airfare from LAX or SFO via South African Airways - red eye flight through NY
- Airline fuel surcharge
- Intra-South Africa flight and ground transportation
- Accommodations at superior first class hotels with private bath
- 18 meals: 11 buffet breakfasts, 2 lunches, 5 dinners
- Comprehensive touring and safaris incl. admission fees
- A visit to Robben Island visit where Nelson Mandela was imprisoned
- Experienced, English speaking Tour Director throughout
- includes all tips

Victoria Falls \$1070 - includes tips to guide & driver & special Boma Farewell Dinner

SNOWMASS, COLORADO

January 21-28, 2012 - \$925

ASPEN SNOWMASS.

Price does NOT include air or ground transportation.

Only 3 spots left - 59 signed up so far

We will be staying at the ski in - ski out TOP OF THE VILLAGE condos. Please e-mail or call Pat Green, 925-846-7250, greenm@comcast.net, that you have sent in your deposit. **See flyer**

2012 - New Zealand & Australia - SYDNEY, GREAT BARRIER REEF, CAIRNS, MELBOURNE, CHRISTCHURCH, QUEENSTOWN, MILFORD SOUND, AUCKLAND



This will be a sight seeing trip, not a ski trip. We will probably go in November and it will be a 3-week adventure trip. Space for 40. Pricing will be around \$4000. **(Already have over 40 on the interest list)** More info soon.

Tucker - CVSC Travel Director & Kathy, assistant
2657 Rivers Bend Circle, Livermore CA 94550
925-371-1910 tkhoffmann@comcast.net

CVSC CST # 2081040

CVSC END OF SEASON BANQUET



Saturday, April 23, 2011

Black tie optional

SEQUOYAH COUNTRY CLUB

4550 Heafey Road, Oakland

\$37 per person (CVSC Member)

\$47 per person (Non-member)

EVENING EVENTS

6pm – Hors d'oeuvres/no hose cocktails

In the Terrace Rm

7pm – Dinner in the Sky Rm

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 Steak

#2 Salmon

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 17, 2011

(Enclose check payable to CVSC)

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

**4-day Lodore Canyon with a group
from the CV Ski Club & Friends
AUG. 5-8TH, 2011
Price: \$525**

Sorry, Camping gear is not included in this discounted price.

This is not a sanctioned "CVSC" Trip. You will need to make your own reservations. You are also responsible for getting there and back. Vernal is about 3 to 3 1/2 hours, 175 miles, from Salt Lake City. We will be spending the night in a local hotel. Will let you know where, so we can all meet up, or we will meet you at 7am in the morning the day the raft trip starts. There is a max of 25 spots available.

This is a four day Rafting Adventure on the Green River in Dinosaur National Monument go to www.bikeraft.com or call 800-624-6323 and talk with Karen Johnson with Holiday River Expeditions. Let her know that you're with friends from the Castro Valley Ski Club. Tucker & I and some others (17 right now) are going on Aug. 5-9th, 2011. We could not make the July 7-10 date, which is still available if you prefer to go then. They take credit cards. For lots more info look at the web site below.

The deposit amount is \$300.00 per person to confirm and the final balance will be due 45 days before the trip.

Holiday Expeditions
www.bikeraft.com
www.twitter.com/bikeraft
800-624-6323



Castro Valley Ski Club *presents*

ASPEN  SNOWMASS.

SNOWMASS, COLORADO

January 21-28, 2012

\$925

Price does NOT include air or ground transportation.

Package Includes:

- 7 Nights Lodging - Top of the Village Condos - 2bd/2bath
- 5-Day Lift Ticket - good at all 4 mountains
Aspen, Snowmass, Aspen Highlands & Buttermilk
- Porter Fee
- All Taxes
- Maid Service - 2 days a week
- CV Party and more.....



Ski-in, ski-out lodging in deluxe two bedroom condominiums.

Accommodations include, private covered parking, washer/dryer and gas grille in every condo, outdoor heated pool, two hot tubs, sauna, exercise room. Complimentary TOV shuttle transportation throughout Snowmass Village during hours of operations.

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

Pat Green c/o Tucker Hoffmann
2657 Rivers Bend Circle, Livermore 94550
925-846-7250 greendm@comcast.net

please e-mail Pat that you have sent money, only 40 spots available

Cancellation penalties will apply
must be a member of the Castro Valley Ski Club

CVSC CST # 2081040



2010/2011 Avid Skiers in Control

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WEBSITE: www.cvskiclub.org

WEBSITES & PHONE NUMBERS

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

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

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

SKIZETTE FOR APRIL, 2011



The next meeting will be
April 6

Don Jose's Restaurant
3430 Village Dr
Castro Valley, CA
(meetings start 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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