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# CVSC SkiZette

June, 2023



## EVENTS CALENDAR

(f) = flyer in this issue

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JUNE	
15-18	FWSA 90th Annual Convention in Boise, ID
21	CVSC General meeting at Lake Chabot TBD
JULY	
19	CVSC General meeting at Lake Chabot TBD
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16	CVSC General meeting at Don Jose's Mexican Restaurant @ 6pm
UPCOMING	
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BAC/FWSA TRIPS	
Please visit websites for detailed information.	
<b>BAC Web site: <a href="http://skibac.org">skibac.org</a></b>	
<b>Far West Ski Assoc: <a href="http://fwsa.org">fwsa.org</a></b>	
2024:	
1/27-2/3	FWSA Ski Week to Steamboat, CO (f) pg 7

### JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Laura DenHaan	1
Tom Rognlien	2
Leonora Hoffmann	10
Dennis Nicholson	18
William Funkhouser	19
Lauren Nagle	21
Edward Cook, Jr	21
Claudia Fernandes	24
Catherine Wilson	29



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## Castro Valley Ski Club Newsletter

### President's Message

Happy summer everyone !! the sun is shining, everything is growing, and still possible small showers but it looks to be a great season.



Claudia Fernandes  
President

We just returned from a wonderful trip to Bali!! Another great experience with good friends, food, coffee and many adventures. We saw bats, pythons,

iguanas, and many monkeys  at the end..the little guys were busy stealing dark glasses and cell phones and whatever they could get their little hands on. Most could be

gotten back minus a lense or two. Thank you, Tucker and Kathy, for another great trip.

We plan on meeting at Lake Chabot for our general meeting. Dennie will send out more information as it gets closer.

The FWSA convention is this month in Boise, ID, and we will have several representatives attending from our club.

Hope to see you at the meeting June 21 and also our upcoming Mexican Fiesta in July.

Take care and Enjoy your summer.

Claudia

### SkiZette Policy NEWSLETTER

#### DEADLINE: 5th 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@gmail.com



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

### SPORTING GOODS EXCHANGE

Got any sporting equipment (i.e. skis, snowboards) and/or clothing that you no longer can use, don't want, etc..... let me know & I'll put it here!!!!

OR.... If you need the above let me know as well!!!

This also goes for winter/ski cabins that you'd like to offer for rent or are looking for same.... Let me know!!!!

(Dennie—your editor — dennieluuu1@gmail.com)

### GREENHOUSE MARKET- PLACE

I do lots of handcrafts which I would like to offer to members.... Crochet, needlepoint & hookrug.... I crochet hats, scarves, shawls, afghan blankets; I needlepoint anything you'd like to hang on a wall or put on a shelf; and I make hookrugs to hang on a wall or a door..... So please let me know if you'd be at all interested in having me create something for you — I am your Skizette editor—contact me at dennieluuu1@gmail.com. I look forward to hearing from you!!!

***Same Date! New Location!***



**CVSC MEXICAN FIESTA PARTY!**

Saturday, July 22, 2023

Drinks and appetizers start at 4 PM, dinner will be served at 6 PM

Hosted at Anne Wilburn's home  
2389 Merlot Lane, Livermore

Cost: \$40 for members      \$65 for non-members

Make checks payable to CVSC and send to Pat Green  
at: 4655 Cope Court, Pleasanton, CA 94566.  
Any questions? Call Pat at 925-846-7250

Mexican buffet will include dessert, wine and margaritas!  
*We hope you will join us!*

CVSC in Bali — Bali Holy Spring  
Temple



CVSC at Bali  
Baliat Mother Temple



CVSC trip to Bali —  
Having fun with the wildlife!!!!



Monkey playing with someone's glasses!!!!



Riding cows in a rice field.....



Playing with bats..... ?????



Kathy with a fighting rooster.. !!!!!

# FWSA 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Scuba Dive Trip



## Little Cayman

Dive the "Bloody Bay Wall"

The Caribbean's Most Breathtaking Drop-Off!

October 7 - 14, 2023

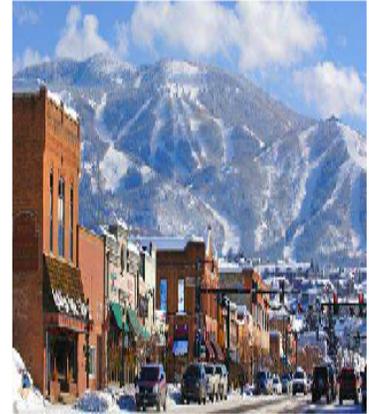
Diver Land Package = \$2306.00 Standard Room - Double Occupancy  
 Non-Diver Land Package = \$2040.00 Standard Room - Double Occupancy  
 Single Supplement Standard Room Add = \$696.00  
 Lodging Upgrades Available – contact Randy Lew for details  
 (Air transportation not included in above pricing)



## FAR WEST SKI WEEK



JAN 27 – FEB 3, 2024



### Price Includes:

- 7 nights – Pool View Room at Little Cayman Beach Resort– Dbl. Occupancy with all meals daily
- Drink Package - Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages
- Non-motorized water sports and activities
- Resort fees, taxes & staff gratuities. (dive gratuities are not included)
- 6 days of 2 tank boat dives, 5 days of afternoon boat dives & complimentary use of dive computer
- PADI & SSI certified dive professionals
- Complimentary Wi-Fi (primarily in public areas)
- Resort Amenities
- Welcome Party and Farewell Dinner



Enjoy the beautiful wildlife

Create New Memories with Friends, Old and New!



Dive the famous Bloody Bay Wall!



Enjoy a Beautiful Resort



Contact: Randy Lew  
 FWSA Dive Trip Leader  
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 FWSA VP of Int'l Travel  
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### Lodging & Amenities Package Includes:

- 7 Nights Lodging
- Welcome Reception
- Council Dinner
- Giant Slalom Race
- Farewell Party

### Not Included:

- Optional - Airfare (TBD)
- Optional - Ground Transportation (TBD)
- Optional - Lift Tickets (TBD)

### Lodging Options (prices are per person):

#### Trappeur's Crossing

- \*Shuttle service to ski area and downtown, hot tub, indoor pool, underground parking
- 2 Bedroom/2 Bathroom Condo - \$1,985 pp
- 3 Bedroom/3 Bathroom Condo - \$1,765 pp

#### Chateau Chamonix

- \*Ski in/out location, slope side ski valet and locker room, hot tub, pool
- 2 Bedroom/2 Bathroom Condo - \$2,590 pp

#### The Lodge

- \*Shuttle service, business center, hot tub, swimming pool, near gondola, restaurants, shops, no elevator
- 2 Bedroom/2 Bathroom Condo - \$1,595 pp
- 3 Bedroom/3 Bathroom Condo - \$1,454 pp

Lift Tickets and ONLINE registration will be handled by Sports America. Follow this link to the online registration site: <http://bac83.sat.tours>

To hold your spot - send in your \$200 Deposit check payable to: Bay Area Council of Ski Clubs.  
 Mail to: Karen Albrecht, BAC Trip Leader, 712 Matsonia Drive, Foster City, CA 94404  
[iplaythird@yahoo.com](mailto:iplaythird@yahoo.com) 650-515-9532

FWSA CST#2036983-40 BAC CST# 2050870-40

# Christmas Markets Along the Rhine

A Pre-Holiday River Cruise from Switzerland to Amsterdam

*\$4545 - \$4445 (depending on cabin choice)*

*December 2-13, 2023*

*...with optional extensions to Brussels & Bruges, Belgium & Basel, Switzerland*



## **IT'S INCLUDED:**

- **International airfare, airport transfers, government taxes, fees, and airline fuel surcharges, unless you choose to make your own air arrangements**
- **Accommodations** for 10 nights aboard a private river ship with wireless Internet access now in all common areas and cabins
- **ALL meals:** 10 breakfasts, 10 lunches, and 10 dinners – plus all onboard house beer & wine, as well as soft drinks at all times
- **7 included tours** with personal headsets, **up to 7 Christmas markets**, and **4 Exclusive Discovery Series events** – Home-Hosted *Kaffeeklatsch* • German Christmas Traditions conversation
  - *Stollen* baking demonstration • *Operation Market Garden* conversation
- **Local Program Directors, a Grand Circle Cruise Line exclusive:** These dedicated experts are with you and your group from beginning to end to provide insider's knowledge and a local perspective
- **Gratuities** for local guides and motorcoach drivers
- **Baggage handling** for 1 piece of luggage per person, including tips
- **All port charges**

## 2024 Castro Valley Ski Club

# Portugal & the Douro River Cruise

October 9-19<sup>th</sup>, 2024



**\$5490 to \$6199** (depending on cabin choice)

Experience the unique sites and culture of Portugal with a taste of Spain on this combination land and river cruise Main trip. We start our journey by flying into Lisbon and we stay there for two nights in a four-star hotel. We then travel to Fatima and sightsee in Coimbra and then board the *MS Emerald Radiance* for our seven-night river cruise along the Douro River. We also venture to Rodrigo, Vega Terron, and Salamanca Spain. We end the trip in the home of Port wine, Porto, and fly back to the US.

### Your tour includes:

- RT air from LAX or SFO
- Two-night hotel stay and touring in Lisbon, Portugal before cruising
- 7 night Duoro River Cruise on the Emerald Radiance
- 23 Meals (8 dinners, 6 lunches, and 9 breakfasts)
- Airport transfers on tour dates when air is provided
- Included shore excursions escorted by local, English-speaking guides in Salamanca, Pocinho, Lamego and Porto
- All onboard meals feature local and international specialties
- All onboard lunches and dinners are four courses and served with complimentary regional wines, beer and soft drinks
- All gratuities included
- Complimentary WiFi onboard

Send \$400 per person **non-refundable** deposit to:

Tucker Hoffmann - CVSC Travel Director  
2657 Rivers Bend Circle Livermore, CA 94550  
510-329-4242 [tkhoffmann@icloud.com](mailto:tkhoffmann@icloud.com)

**Note: due to the popularity of this trip please send us an email to let us know if you're sending a deposit. We already have quite a few already signed up.**

CVSC CST # 2081040

**FREE  
AIRFARE**

WHEN BOOKED BY  
MARCH 31, 2023



# Portugal and the Douro River Cruise

Tour Dates: October 9<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024



# Portugal and the Douro River Cruise



Experience the cosmopolitan charm of Lisbon, Portugal



Feel the rhythm of the city in the Plaza Mayor, Salamanca, Spain

**DAY 1 Depart the USA:** Depart the USA on your overnight flight to Lisbon, Portugal.

**DAY 2 Lisbon, Portugal:** Upon arrival, you'll be met by a representative of Mayflower Cruises & Tours and transferred to your hotel. The remainder of the day is at your leisure to explore Lisbon. This evening, join your Mayflower staff and fellow travelers for an included dinner. **Meal: D**

**DAY 3 Lisbon:** After breakfast, an included tour highlights the famous sites of the city. During a panoramic coach tour, see 'Monument to the Discoveries,' and Belem Tower, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Visit Jerónimos Monastery and discover the unique architecture and history. Enjoy a free afternoon to shop, dine and experience this cosmopolitan city on your own. **Meal: B**

**DAY 4 Fátima – Coimbra – Porto:** Depart Lisbon by coach and journey to the ship in Porto. Enroute, visit Fátima, home to the Sanctuary of Fátima, an important Catholic pilgrimage site. The city's fame originates from the apparitions of Our Lady of the Rosary that appeared to three shepherd children in the nearby fields. Continue to Coimbra and its famous university before arriving in Porto to embark the *MS Emerald Radiance*, home for the next seven nights. **Meals: B, D**

**DAY 5 Porto – Pinhão:** Today is a day of sailing through the twists and turns of the Douro Valley. Designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site, this area is sparsely populated by quaint villages, sun-drenched vineyards and small farms. Later today, arrive in the village of Pinhão, perfectly situated on a river bend surrounded by terraced hillsides that produce some of the world's best Port wine. Tonight, enjoy a welcome reception and dinner. **Meals: B, L, D**

**EmeraldPLUS:** A Portuguese cooking demonstration onboard

**DAY 6 Pinhão – Vega de Terrón:** Begin the day with a visit to the beautiful 18th-century estate of Quinta do Tedo Vineyard with spectacular views of the Douro Valley. Learn about wine production, its importance to the culture and economy, and enjoy a tasting of the local vintage. This afternoon, the ship sails for Vega de Terrón, gateway to Spain. **Meals: B, L, D**

**EmeraldACTIVE\*:** A guided walk through the vineyards

**EmeraldACTIVE\*:** Kayak experience in Pinhão

\*The included tour and both ACTIVE tours all operate simultaneously. Only one can be selected.

**DAY 7 Salamanca, Spain:** Today's excursion takes you to the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Salamanca, Spain. During the guided walking tour, see amazingly detailed and intricately carved buildings of the university and the House of Shells. Regal splendor abounds in the Plaza Mayor, the heartbeat of the city. Visit the market and taste the local products including cheese, olives and bread. You'll have free time for lunch and to explore independently before returning to the ship in Portugal. **Meals: B, D**

**EmeraldPLUS:** Entertainment by a Tuna music band in Salamanca

**DiscoverMORE:** Tour of Castelo Rodrigo (instead of city tour to Spain – additional expense)

**DAY 8 Pocinho / Régua, Portugal:** Arrive in Pocinho and disembark for a morning tour to the Côa Valley Museum. Designed to blend in with its surroundings, the museum's concrete structure houses prehistoric stone carvings made by the early inhabitants of the Douro which were uncovered during construction of a nearby dam project. Return to the ship for lunch and relax on deck as the ship sails through idyllic surroundings on the way to Régua. This evening, enjoy an off-ship dinner at a traditional vineyard estate. **Meals: B, L, D**

**DiscoverMORE:** Archaeological 4x4 Tour at Côa Museum (additional expense)

The included tour and DiscoverMORE operate at the same time.

**EmeraldPLUS:** Port wine cocktail lesson onboard

**EmeraldPLUS:** Dinner at a vineyard estate



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

### SKIZETTE FOR JUNE, 2023



All monthly general meetings are held at Don Jose's Mexican Restaurant, 3430 Village Dr., Castro Valley, CA

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