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Future of Skiing

I need to preface this story by saying that Gene and I are, as many of our senior friends, exceptions to the rule. Our goal each year is to ski our ages. To do this we take advantage of every deal we can find.

⇒ *Senior Skiers*

They say old skiers never die, they just don't ski as much as they used to — and that's creating a challenge for much of the ski industry. I have friends that when they turned 60 decided they were too old to ski and quit. Our personal goal is to ski as much and for as long as possible.

Baby boomers led skiing through its dramatic growth in the 1970s and 1980s and have maintained the industry as loyal customers. Today the youngest of the baby boomers are now 54 years old, an age when aches and pains make themselves more known.

In 2005-06, baby boomers were responsible for 31.1% of skier visits nationwide. By 2014-15, that number dipped to 21.5%, according to a demographics profile by the National Ski Areas Association (NSAA). Last season, only 14.8% of skier visits were attributable to baby boomers.

Older skiers are valuable to the ski industry because they tend to have the time and money to spend more days on the slopes. The average number of anticipated days on the slopes was 9.1 for skiers over 65 years. That's higher than any group other than 17 and younger. In addition, older skiers have the means and resources to bring their grandchildren and greatgrands to the slopes with them.

The ski industry as a whole faces a flat skier visit environment. People have less free time and more competition for the valuable leisure time & dollars they do possess. Ski trips are competing with river and ocean cruises, beach trips to Hawaii or Caribbean, guided trips to Europe and exotic locales, sporting events, concerts and more. ■

Catherine

In a Nutshell

The ski industry is trying to boost the retention rate of young skiers by promoting lessons and offering package deals. There is no magical answer, but the industry is making progress.

Ski resorts are trying to entice participants into buying season passes. Vail Resorts and Alterra Mountain are engaged in a full-fledged season pass war that's making a multi-resort ticket more affordable. Online deals also are available for multi-day tickets.

Special on-mountain events may be a key to attracting a younger crowd. Summer may also hold the greatest potential for growth.

The Alliance

This ski season is just kicking into gear as there is much skiing to be had. The Western US and Canada has been slammed with lots of early snow and it has been falling steady ever since.

Big White, April 1–8, 2019

We will be closing out Big White's season in British Columbia, Canada. We will be flying into Kelowna and staying slope side at the White Crystal Inn. Lodging, lift tickets, nightly après ski parties and transportation to/from Kelowna are included for the low price of \$699 per person based on double occupancy. You are on your own to get air. West Jet, Alaska and United have round trip fares from \$450 out of Los Angeles. West Jet is also available out of Las Vegas, Phoenix and San Diego.

Details can be found on page 25.

White Water Rafting June 5–8, 2019

Green River Rafting through Lodore Canyon in Dinosaur National Monument is filled with excitement and beautiful scenery. We will encounter 800-foot canyon walls superbly crafted by Mother Nature of Precambrian Bedrock along with exquisite vermilion rock formations. **Details can be found on page 27.**

Water Ski 2019

We've been working with the Radar River Rats on our summer water ski trips. We have once again scheduled eight trips for June through October. We will be staying at the Needles Marina where there is a pool, some cabins for rent and a pickle ball court. We are closer to town and check-out is 5 pm on Sunday. **Details can be found on page 29.**

FAR WEST Ski Association

Orange Council is hosting the Far West convention at the at the Hyatt Regency Indian Wells Resort & Spa, Indian Wells, CA, June 13 – 16, 2019. Even if you can't attend the whole weekend, it's worth it to make an appearance for the Silent Auction where you can bid on more than \$60,000 worth of lodging, lift tickets, golf, travel and product.

BIKING Fridays

Don't forget about our bike rides around Mission Bay. It's getting warmer and biking is a great way to stay in shape for skiing. Scheduled dates are at 10 AM on

January 11	March 22	April 26
July 26	August 9	September
13	November 15	December 27



Call Gene at 619-804-1939 for confirmation.

Don't let the snow snakes get you! ■



Banff National Park



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Jimmie Heuga
Founder


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Chronological **Events Calendar**

ALLIANCE

January 2019

11 **Bike Mission Bay**
Pacific Rim Alliance
Meet in the parking lot just east of the Bahia Hotel. Contact [Gene Fulkerson](#) / 619-804-1939.

9-11 **Race Camp**
Rokka League.
Three day Race Clinic to be held at Mammoth. Contact Laura Priest at rokkaracers@aol.com.

12 **League Race**
So. California Councils.
Leagues race to be held at Mammoth. Register Roma McCoy room.

February 2019

2-9 **Steamboat, CO**
Far West Ski Association.
Join Far West in Steamboat for the annual ski week. fwsa.org

6 **FWSA Race**
Far West Ski Association
Race to be held at FWSA Ski Week in Steamboat, CO.

23 **League Race**
So. California Councils.
Leagues race to be held at Mammoth. Register Roma McCoy room.

March 2019

02 **Ski for MS**
Squaw Valley, CA
Ski all day to raise money for MS. For information visit cando-ms.org.

4-23 **Japan**
Far West Ski Association. Join Far West in Japan for skiing Niseko and Hakuba followed by sight seeing Kanazawa, Kyoto & Tokyo. Contact [Debbie Stewart](#) / 559-737-0882.

09 **Ski-A-Thon, Big Bear**
Ski all day to raise money for USARC. For information visit usarc.org.

16 **League Race**
So. California Councils.
Leagues race to be held at Mammoth. Register Roma McCoy room.

22 **Bike Mission Bay**
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22-24 **FWRA Championships**
Far West Race Association. GS / SL races will be held at Heavenly Valley, CA/NV. Visit fwsa.com.

24-29 **Winter Park**
Far West Ski Association. Join Far West in Winter Park for the annual mini ski week. fwsa.org

April 2019

1-8 **Ski Big White**
Pacific Rim Alliance
Ski the amazing late season powder at Big White. Trip package includes lodging, lift tickets and transfer from airport. Contact [Gene Fulkerson](#) / 619-804-1939.

26 **Bike Mission Bay**
Pacific Rim Alliance
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27 **Coastal Clean Up**
Mission Bay San Diego
Pick in and clean up our coast before the trash ends up in the ocean. For registration visit cleanupday.org/.

27-04 **Bike & Boat**
San Diego Council. Cruise from Amsterdam to Bruges on a river boat. Contact [Eileen Sanford](#).

May 2019

3-11 **Greece**
San Diego Council.
Greek Islands Cruise featuring Mykonos, Athens, Santorini. Contact [Eileen Sanford](#).

19-26 **BVI Cruise**
Far West Ski Association. Join Far West on a Windjammer Cruise of the BVI. fwsa.org

24 **Hike Torrey Pines**
Pacific Rim Alliance
Meet in the parking lot just east of the Bahia Hotel. Contact [Gene Fulkerson](#) / 619-804-1939.

Mission Bay Bike Ride—

- Meet at 10 AM Parking lot Bahia Hotel
- Easy 20 miles around the bay!
- Can add 3 – 5 miles by taking the short or long way around Fiesta Island
- Bring water, helmet, sunscreen, extra tube and money for lunch
- RSVP 858-405-0637

2019 Dates

Jan 11
Mar 22
Apr 26
July 26
Aug 9
Sept 13
Nov 15
Dec 27

Chronological Events Calendar



June 2019

5-8 White Water Rafting Pacific Rim Alliance

Raft the Green River from Vernal, UT.
Contact [Gene Fulkerson](#) / 619-804-1939.

13-16 87th Convention Far West Ski

Association. Join Far West in Indian Wells, CA for the 87th Annual FWSA Convention. There will be the usual Pub Crawl, Auction, Travel Expo, Leadership Academy. [fwsa.org](#).

21-23 Water Ski Weekend

Pacific Rim Alliance & Radar River Rats.
Water ski on the Colorado River. We operate out of Needles Marina in Needles. Camping, equipment, food and drink included.
Contact [Patricia Ortiz](#) / 323-651-0686 before 9 PM.

July 2019

19-21 Water Ski Weekend

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August 2019

2-4 Water Ski Weekend Pacific Rim Alliance & Radar River Rats.

Water ski on the Colorado River. We operate out of Needles Marina in Needles. Camping, equipment, food and drink included.
Contact [Patricia Ortiz](#) / 323-651-0686 before 9 PM.

9 Bike Mission Bay Pacific Rim Alliance

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Time to RACE? rokkaracers@aol.com

If you'd like to test your skills in a race course, as a member of Pac Rim you can race in League, Council and Far West sponsored races. Races are scheduled for Mammoth unless otherwise noted.

Jan 9–11, 2019	Race/Ski/Board Clinic
January 12, 2019	League Race
February 6, 2019	FWSA Ski Week (GS) (Steamboat, CO)
February 22, 2019	Clinic
February 23, 2019	League Race
March 16, 2019	League Race
March 17, 2019	Clinic
March 22–24, 2019	FWRA Championships (GS/SL) (Heavenly, CA)



2019 Water Ski Trips to the Colorado River

June 21–23	July 19–21	August 2–4
Aug 16–18	September 6–8	September 20–22
October 4–6	October 18–20	



Calendar by Organizer

Details and flyers can be found under **TRIPS**

at PacificRimAlliance.org



Pacific Rim Events pacificrimalliance.org

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|-----------------|---------------------|--|
| • Bike | One Friday / Month | Gene Fulkerson |
| • Water Ski | June – Oct | Patricia Ortiz |
| • Ski 4 MS | March 2, 2019 | cando-ms.org |
| • Ski-A-Thon | March 9, 2019 | usarc.org |
| • Big White | Apr 1 – Apr 8, 2019 | Gene Fulkerson |
| • Ocean Cleanup | April 27, 2019 | cleanupday.org |
| • Hike | May 25, 2019 | Catherine Ohl |
| • Rafting | June 5–8, 2019 | Gene Fulkerson |
| • Walk 4 ALZ | Sept 21, 2019 | Catherine Ohl |
| • Dinner for MS | Sept 28, 2019 | Gene Fulkerson |
| • Cabo San Jose | Oct 22–28, 2019 | Catherine Ohl |
| • Italy | Winter TBD | Gene Fulkerson |



LA Council Events lacouncil.org

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|--------------|---------------|---------------------------------|
| • Steamboat | Feb 2–9, 2019 | Sandy Blackwell |
| • Picnic | TBA 2019 | |
| • Gala | TBA 2019 | Karen James |
| • Ski Dazzle | Dec 6–8, 2019 | website |



San Diego Events skisandiego.org

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|-----------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| • Steamboat | Feb 2–9, 2019 | Alan Godwin |
| • Bike & Boat | Apr 27– May 4, 2019 | Eileen Sanford |
| • Greece | May 3–11, 2019 | Eileen Sanford |
| • Australia | Oct 13– 31, 2019 | Eileen Sanford |
| • Winter Gala | TBA 2019 | Barbara Blase |
| • Snow Jam | TBA 2019 | Chris Gill |
| • Aspen | Dec 2019 | Mike Sanford |
| • Danube Cruise | Dec 2020 | Mike Sanford |
| • S. Africa | Jan 2021 | Eileen Sanford |



FAR West Travel & Events fwsa.org

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|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| • Steamboat | Feb 2–9, 2019 | Nancy Ellis |
| • Japan | March 4–23, 2019 | Debbie Stewart |
| • Winter Park | Mar 24–29, 2019 | Nancy Ellis |
| • BVI Cruise | May 19–26, 2019 | Sheri Parshall |
| • Convention | June 13–16, 2019 | Shelia Van Guilder |
| • Dive Philippines | 2019 | Randy Lew |
| • Big Sky | Jan 25–Feb 1, 2020 | Nancy Ellis |
| • Davos | 2020 | Debbie Stewart |
| • Big White | Mar 29–Apr 3, 2020 | Nancy Ellis |
| • Croatia | 2020 | Debbie Stewart |
| • Solden, Aus | 2021 | Debbie Stewart |
| • Zermatt Resort | Mar 2021 | Nancy Ellis |

Member Postings

MEMBER

COUNCILS select their MAN & WOMAN of the YEAR

Council Men and Women of the Year are chosen by their peers in recognition of their many contributions to organized skiing. They will represent their council at the Far West Ski Association Convention to be held at the Hyatt Regency Indian Wells Resort & Spa, Indian Wells, CA, June 13 – 16, 2019.

Pacific Rim Alliance belongs to two councils in the Far West Ski Association. This gives members the opportunity to participate in many of the activities and events they host throughout the year.

Both councils annually kick off the ski season with a Gala to honor the Men of Women of their member ski & board clubs who have contributed the most to their club, council, Far West and nationally in the promotion of snow sports.

Los Angeles Council hosted their Gala at the Pickwick Gardens in Burbank on Saturday, December 1, 2018. **Regina Reilly**, Wailers, and **Victory Chan**, Unrecables, were honored as their Council's Man and Woman of the Year.

San Diego Council celebrated their 50th anniversary at the Holiday Inn Bayside in San Diego on Nov. 17, 2019. **Dave Arnold**, North Island, and **Mary Jo Lau**, North Island, were honored as their Council's Man and Woman of the Year. **Barbara Blase**, North Island, was awarded the annual Joe Harris Award. ■



LA Council's Woman & Man of the Year — Regina Reilly & Victor Chan.

photo courtesy Los Angeles Council



San Diego's Woman & Man of the Year— Mary Jo Lau & David Arnold.

photo courtesy Lina Arnold, NISD



San Diego's Joe Harris award for 2018 was presented to Barbara Blase.

photo courtesy Lina Arnold, NISD

happy BIRTHDAY

December

- 1 Patrick Loo
- 2 Christel Chang
- 3 Donna Huston
- 5 Pat Holzinger
- 6 Len Danczyk
- 7 Bob Berg
- 10 Dick Anderson
- 17 Barbara Bontempo
- 17 Bruce Malinoski
- 17 Dean Smith
- 18 Susan Buckley
- 18 Therese Frey
- 22 Nick Friedman
- 26 Sharon Bays
- 29 Kim Gerringer

January

- 3 Jeff Beeman
- 7 Nadya Penoff
- 10 Anne Coniglio
- 11 Hans Iliew
- 12 Jim Knapp
- 12 Bob Miller
- 13 Viki Turnipseed
- 16 Kristen Benson
- 21 Celia Lemon
- 27 Phil Harris
- 29 Brigitte Cox

February

- 1 Lynda Johnson
- 2 Thomas Delahanty
- 2 Fay Mumbauer
- 3 Susan Corum
- 5 Bob Schulz
- 6 Sue Sindelar
- 14 Karen Abbott
- 16 Michael O' Connor
- 21 Richard Frey
- 25 Marie Lafayette
- 28 Mark Mathis
- 28 Kelly Roberts

Members— What are they up to



⇒ Ed Knott

We were finally able to coordinate a visit with Ed Knott — he was definitely in the Christmas spirit. Ed has been challenged with health issues for the past 10 years. Hard to believe it's been that long ago.

Ed seems to take it all in stride and enjoys his good days. He is so blessed to have Jacquie at his side. And we so blessed to have them both in our lives. Many may remember Ed when he was President of Singles or LA Council or FWSA VP of Athletics.



⇒ Susan Corum

Susan has the best adventures. If she's not in Montana visiting her son and his family or skiing in Mammoth she is off on another exotic vacation. She often travels with her twin Nancy.

In August, they landed in The Polar Bear Capital Of The World, Churchill, Manitoba, Canada. In October they went to Tanzania and took some amazing photos of the wild life and the locals. In December, she is traveling to Algeria, Spain and Italy. Then January is for skiing in Steamboat with a bunch of gal friends. What a great life.



⇒ Jayne Glodowski

Jayne has "Walked for Alzheimer's" to honor her sister on Team Pat's Pride for many years. She has watched as her sister endured this horrible disease that robs people of their dignity as well as their health and capabilities.

Unfortunately, Pat died on June 10 but Pat's Pride lives on as her family and friends continue to walk in her memory. Her death was a blessing, as it may be for many people with this disease, but the final loss reinforces how cruel the disease is. Pat's Pride Team will be walking again October 19, 2019 in Balboa Park, San Diego. ■

Industry Bulletin

➡ *US Ski and Snowboard*

In case you missed it, the U.S. Ski and Snowboard Association unveiled its official rebrand as U.S. Ski & Snowboard on June 19, 2017. Along with the name change, this new brand mark will unite athletes, members and fans as one team with a vision to be Best in the World in all aspects of Olympic and World skiing and snowboarding.



➡ *Tamarack Resort Gets New Owners*

Tamarack Resort Holdings (TRH), a partnership formed by a group of investors and managers, has acquired Tamarack Resort. The deal is two years in the making, and the transaction closed November 30, 2018. Resort development began in 2003 but halted abruptly during the 2008 recession when Tamarack's majority owners filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy. While operation of the resort has continued in one form or another since 2008, TRH's acquisition of the resort represents a promise to reinvigorate the property.



➡ *Winter Bookings*

Healthy November snowfall triggered an immediate response of bookings in the western US. A strong wave of mid-November snowfall from the Sierras to the Rockies gave winter bookings a boost at western mountain resorts. Bookings made for arrivals through April increased 12.8% compared to the same period last year. ■

Ikon Adds—Epic Answers

November was a busy month in the ongoing tit for tat between Alterra Mountain Company's Ikon Pass and Vail Resorts' Epic Pass.

Alterra added NZSki and its three New Zealand resorts—Coronet Peak, The Remarkables, and Mt. Hutt—and Valle Nevado in Chile as partner destinations on its Ikon Pass.

Shortly after, Vail Resorts revealed a new partnership with Les 3 Vallées in France and Skirama Dolomiti in Italy for its Epic Pass.

Ikon Pass/Base holders will get a combined seven/five days of access to the three NZSki resorts. Access to Valle Nevado is seven/five days. The Ikon Pass now includes varying levels of access to 38 destinations located in 12 U.S. states, four Canadian provinces, Australia, Japan, New Zealand, and Chile.

Epic Pass holders get seven combined days of access to Les 3 Vallées—the world's largest connected ski area—and Skirama Dolomiti. With these additions, the Epic Pass provides varying levels of access to 65 mountain destinations located in the United States, Canada, Australia, Japan, France, Switzerland, Italy, and Austria.

Sustainability—Green Resorts

Contributed by Catherine Ohl

With sprawling mountainside villages, water-guzzling snow machines, and high-powered chairlifts, it's no secret operating a ski resort use lots of valuable resources.

But in recent years, mountains around the country have started taking steps to reduce their environmental footprints by switching to renewable energy, banning single-use plastics, installing water stations, upgrading to water-saving snowmaking machines, and incentivizing skiers to arrive by public transportation, electric cars, or carpools. This is all right and good, but is it enough?

These and other ski resorts are now pushing the envelope, environmentally speaking.

photo by Jeremy Swanson, Aspen



Aspen Skiing Company

Aspen has long been a leader for its climate change advocacy and forward-thinking environmental operations.

On the ground, the company captures waste methane from a local coal mine to generate carbon-negative electricity to help power the resort and built an industry-leading solar arrays and LEED-certified mountaintop restaurants.

Aspen was a strong advocate for electric services company Xcel Energy's plan to close two Colorado coal plants and replace them with wind and solar.



Diamond Peak, NV

This 655-acre community-owned ski area on Lake Tahoe's North Shore became one of the first mountains in the country to receive a Stoke certification, a new sustainability accreditation for the ski & surf tourism industries.

Diamond offers shuttles from town to the slopes, electric vehicle charging stations, water bottle filling stations, a children's coloring book featuring plants and animals native to the resort, and millions of dollars of investment into local watershed restoration. Plus, the resort hopes to run entirely on renewable energy by next year.



Taos Ski Resort, NM

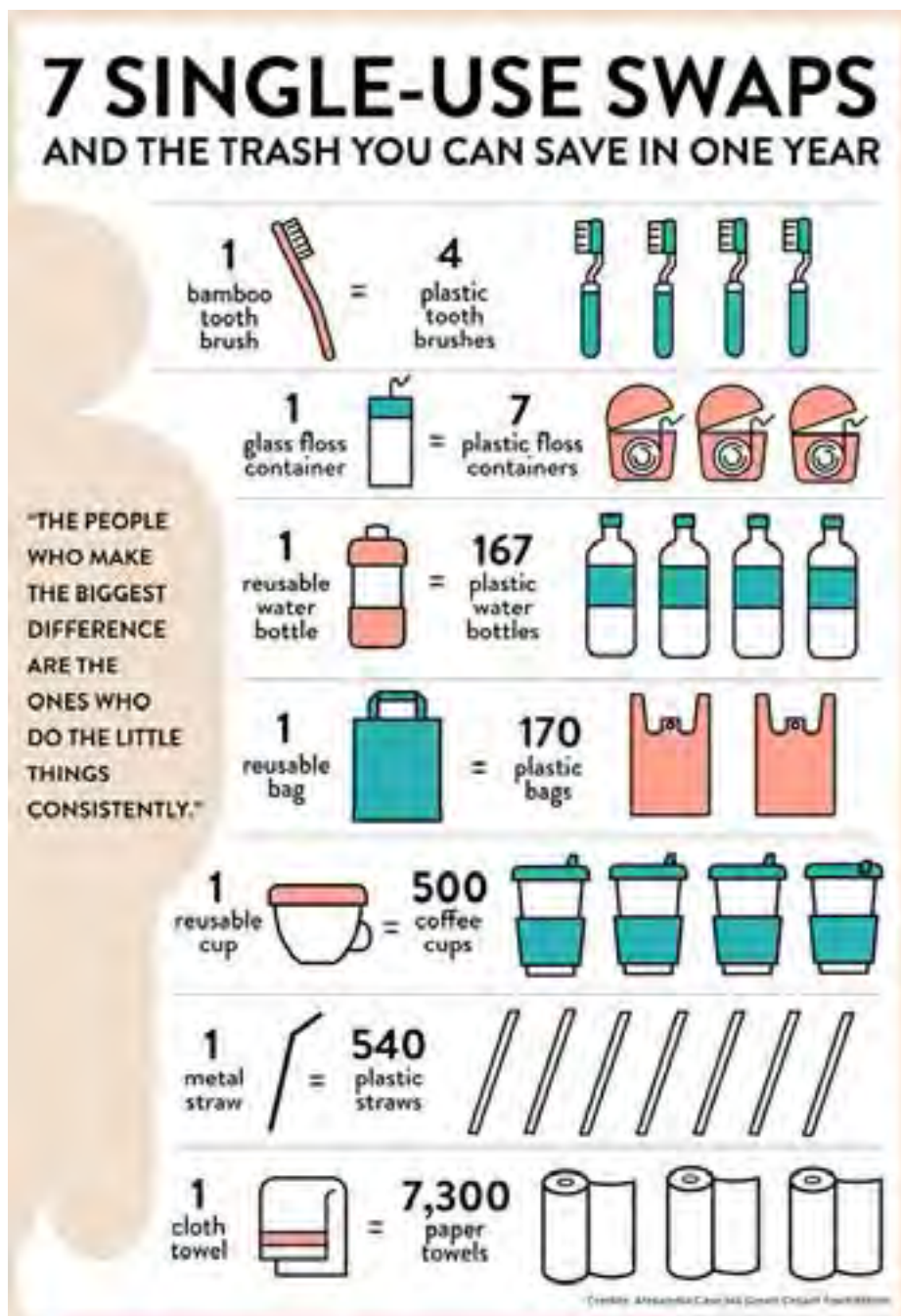
In 2017, Taos Ski Valley became the first ski resort in the world designated as a B Corp, a strict certification process that measures a for-profit company's social and environmental performance, ranging from employee benefits to energy and waste reduction.

Taos has set a goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 20% by 2020. The resort upgraded their snowmaking machines, added electric vehicles, and built a geothermal heating and cooling system for the newly built base hotel just steps from the new high-speed quad lift. ■



Sustainability—One Use

Contributed by Catherine Ohl



Our oceans are drowning in plastic... and no one is really paying that much attention.

It's a frightening fact that every single piece of plastic ever made still exists somewhere on this planet.

With plastic there really is no 'away'. While we treat plastic as a disposable material, it's actually indestructible, at least during our lifetimes and for the next few generations to follow us.

Globally, we are consuming more and more single-use plastic items, but many countries lack the waste infrastructure to process it, resulting in plastic debris entering our waterways.

In places where there is good infrastructure, intentional littering or improper disposal may have the same results. Many people don't think about the way they may be contributing to this waste, such as by throwing a cigarette butt (which is plastic!) on the ground or adding their trash to the top of an overflowing garbage can.

Here are some tips that you as an individual can use less plastic. Read more at www.lessplastic.co.uk. ■

Fitness— Staying Slope Fit

Contributed by Gene Fulkerson



Spending a full day on the slopes can be tiring even for the fittest individual. Here are some stretches to help your back.

⇒ **Ballerina Stretch**

Reach arms upward, clasping hands and fingers together over your head. Pull left arm to the right as you stretch over to the right, leaving arms fully extended overhead. Hold for five to ten seconds, then release and stretch to the left side. Hold on that side as well.

As you leave the fully extended position, put both hands on top of your head as you fully extend “chicken wings” out to the side. Twist your spine one way, first left, then right as you perform the twist with hands atop your head.



⇒ **Dog Down & Child's Pose**

This yoga-inspired active stretch truly works all of the muscles in the neck, upper back, lower back, and legs. Lower yourself to a V position, with your hands and feet pushing away from the ground and your head in neutral position. Hold this position as long as possible, feeling the muscles in your back and along the backs of your legs lengthen and strengthen while your neck muscles rest in a neutral position, allowing for the release of additional tension.

Drop down into child's pose, a prone position where knees are bent and body is tucked in along the tops of legs while arms are extended forward away from the rest of the body. Relax in this position, taking deep breaths and deepening the stretch as you are able.



⇒ **Cat Cow**

Lower yourself to your hands and knees. Start by inhaling, releasing your belly toward the floor, and flexing your back so that its surface looks like a bowl. As you exhale, bend your head toward the ground, arch your back like a cat, and fully extend your spine into what resembles a C curve. Combine breathing with the concave, convex motion of this exercise and you will increase the mobility of the vertebrae and loosen up the joints along the spine.



⇒ **Superman**

Lie on your stomach on a firm surface. Slowly extend arms out as if you were Superman, then work to raise arms and upper body off the ground as much as possible, using the strength from your lower back and torso. Hold for 2-3 seconds, then return to the floor. Repeat ten times with upper body, then lift the legs and buttocks the same way, holding for 2-3 seconds and returning to the floor.

As a culminating move, and if you are strong enough, combine the lower body extension with the upper body extension, hold, and then return to the floor. Tightening that core will reduce lower back pain and strengthen your whole body from the inside out. ■

Safety— On the Slopes

Contributed by Gene Fulkerson

The information that follows bears repeating. This year has already seen record amounts of snow and colder temperatures with avalanches and tree well accidents.

⇒ Objective Hazards

There are hazards you cannot control, that are inherent in Alpine skiing and boarding. Avalanches, sudden weather changes, falling rocks, tree wells, seracs and crevasses are all examples of objective hazards.

You cannot eliminate an objective danger, but you can take steps to minimize the risk they pose to you. For example, the avalanche report can tell you what faces to avoid and the weather report can tell you whether or not it is a good day to attempt the peak you are hoping to ski from.

⇒ Subjective Hazards

These are the dangers you can control and that we bring with us when we hit the slopes—on or off piste. These include the skill level of the group, physical condition of the group

and peer pressure. Though certain avalanche accidents seem to happen out of nowhere, most of the time there are warning signs. It is the skier's responsibility to recognize these signs and to exercise good judgment.

You are much safer when you're armed with the proper knowledge of snow safety, weather, orientation and first aid.

⇒ Knowledge & Experience

This subjective danger is directly associated with knowledge and experience. It is important to realistically assess your ability and comfort levels, and to choose terrain and conditions that are appropriate to those levels.

Maybe you are comfortable on a steep face with fresh snow, but will you be able to navigate it if the weather changes and you lose visibility (which you may have known would happen if you had checked the weather report).

Will you feel comfortable in the tight crux of a couloir (which you would have seen if you had looked at a map or researched your run ahead of time)?



Often seen at ski resorts is a trail of skiers and borders walking to higher terrain or to venture out of bounds to get untracked powder.

Avalanche Program

Snow avalanches are such a prominent hazard in the mountain environment that the national ski patrol has developed a separate curriculum for avalanche safety and rescue. The rule is simple: An avalanche rescue must occur within minutes. The probability of a live rescue drops to less than half after the victim has been buried for 30 minutes.

Tree Well Danger

Know your snow
Strong layers on top of weak layers is the perfect recipe for slab avalanches.

The Danger Zone
35°–45°

30 Minutes to Save a Life
The risk of dying in an avalanche increases double within the first 30 minutes.

Beacon
Shovel
Probe

Be honest with the group, and with yourself, because you not only endanger yourself, but everyone with you.

⇒ Fitness

Skiing off-piste often takes a greater level of fitness than you need to ride the established ski runs. The snow conditions may be variable and require more energy, and you may need to hike or traverse to get back to the ski area, or to a village or road.

If you are not adequately fit, you put yourself in danger of injury, and could also put your group at risk by keeping them in terrain exposed to objective hazards longer than expected. ■



Skiing **History** Days

Park City, UT, April 4–6, 2019

The International Skiing History Association (ISHA) will host Skiing History Days at Park City, UT, site of the 2002 Winter Olympics!

The ISHA awards, first established in 1993, honor outstanding creative works of ski history. The awards are presented to book authors, journalists, filmmakers, academicians, website developers, and other media publishers.

At this time, the US Ski & Snowboard Hall of Fame will induct the Class of 2018 into the Hall of Fame.



The Grand Summit, Canyons Village, will be the Event Headquarters.

Schedule of Events (subject to change)

April 4:

- 8:30 am Slope-side meet-up at Deer Valley Show Park. *
- 12 noon Lunch meet-up at Royal Street Cafe. *
- 5:00 pm Vintage fashion show, Alf Engen Museum presented by Barbara Alley. *
- 5:45 pm Women in Industry Award, Alf Engen Museum. *
- 6:00 pm ISHA Hall of Fame cocktail reception, Alf Engen Museum. \$
- 7:00 pm ISHA Awards Banquet, Alf Engen Museum. \$
- 9:30 pm Bogner/Hall of Fame Freestyle Reunion, The Spur, Floor 2. \$

April 5:

- 7:30 am ISHA Historians' Colloquium, Grand Summit Hotel. By invitation only.
- 8:30 am Slope-side meet-up at the Orange Bubble in Canyons Village. *
- 12 noon Lunch meet-up at Red Pine Lodge. *
- 5:00 pm Hall of Fame Legends Party, Main Street Park City. *
- 8:00 pm Hall of Fame Legends Alumni Party, The Spur, Floor 2. \$

April 6:

- 8:30 am Slope-side meet-up at Pay Day Lift, Park City. *
- 5:00 pm Hall of Fame Induction Reception, Little America Hotel, Salt Lake City. \$
- 6:30 pm Hall of Fame Induction Dinner & Induction, Little America Hotel. \$
- 9:30 pm Afterburner at Red Tail in the Grand Summit, Canyons Village. \$

April 7:

- 9:00 am First Tracks at Canyons Village. \$

* Public Welcome. \$ Visit <https://skihall.com/induction/> for ticket information. For more information, call 802.366.1158 or email kathleen@skiinghistory.org. ■

Class of 2018

Ski Hall of Famers—

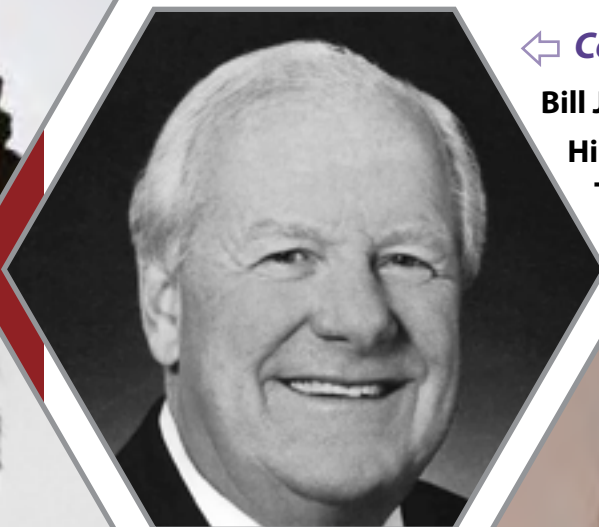
Visit <http://skihall.com/class-of-2018/> for complete bios.

← Column 2

Bill Jensen— Resorts Operations

Hilary Engisch- Klein— Mogul Skier

Tom Sims— One of the pioneers of snowboarding



↑ Column 1

Andrew Weibrecht— Olympic Medalist

Don Henderson— USST Coach

Tom Kelly— USST VP Communications

↑ Column 3

Kristen Ulmer— Extreme Skier

Bodie Miller—
Most Successful US Ski Racer



⇒ **Needles Marina**

The much promised dredging at Needles Marina has begun and will be finished in time for summer. Needles Marina has added a pickle ball court... maybe in the fall we will try it out.



Earth Day April 22, 2019

It was Wisconsin Senator Gaylord Nelson's idea that led to the first Earth Day on April 22nd, 1970. On that day, around 20 million Americans helped to spread the word on the environment. In that same year, the United States created the Environmental Protection Agency and passed the Clean Air, Clean Water, and Endangered Species Acts.

⇒ **Winter Driving Tips**

Ice or snow buildup can impede one's ability to see, so it is important to remove all ice and/or snow from the car— roof, hood, back up camera, wipers and windows.

- Let the defroster run for a few minutes before moving the car. This will help ensure that the windshield washer fluid is defrosted.
- Make sure your windshield washer dispenser has plenty of fluid before departing. Be sure to use winter washer fluid.
- Keep the defroster on while driving to prevent the windshield wipers from freezing. It will also help keep road salt from solidifying on your windshield.
- Be cautious when braking. Allow for extra distance on slipper roads.
- Accelerate gradually and avoid sudden maneuvers.
- Do not use cruise control when driving on any slippery surface (wet, ice, sand).
- Pay attention to road condition advisories and updates and heed restrictions.
- Avoid driving when fatigued. Getting the proper amount of rest before starting a trip is a must.
- Make certain your tires are properly inflated.
- Keep your gas tank at least half full to avoid water condensation in the fuel lines.
- If possible, avoid using your parking brake in cold and snowy weather.
- Remember to fasten your seat belt every time you get into your vehicle.

⇒ **Health Benefits of Skiing**

One of the greatest things about skiing is that it gives you a huge workout while having tons of fun. But just how healthy is skiing?

Balance & Coordination.

- Skiing greatly enhances our ability to coordinate our bodies. The agility needed to make controlled turns, quickly correct an edge catch or avoid obstacles, and to stop quickly are skills that will translate to better coordination and balance in everyday life.

Cardiovascular & Endurance.

- Skiing is an aerobic activity that gets your blood flowing and therefore increases how effective you're cardiovascular system becomes.

Mood & Attitude.

- Being in the mountains, breathing fresh air, hanging out with your friends and ripping down a mountain on fluffy snow is enough to make anyone smile for a long time. Skiing is so much fun!

Muscles.

- Skiing pretty much puts you in a squat position at all times which has the effect of doing a ton of squats without realizing what you're doing. The strength needed to keep poised and coordinated also comes directly from your core which gives your abdominal muscles a great workout.

Joints & Bones.

- While skiing, the body relies heavily on your joints. We're constantly pivoting and working our ankles, knees, and hips rather heavily and thoroughly in ways that are seldom found in other sports.

Kids Korner— YouthFest

REI produced a great short movie (about 10 minutes) on the National Brotherhood of Skiers (NBS)— how they started 45 years ago and where they are today.

Look for FWSA's **Todd Hood** as he made a couple of appearances in the film. Thank you REI.

Be sure to check the movie out at <http://bit.ly/REI-NBS>

⇒ **NBS YouthFest**

What was brought to my attention in this movie was the NBS YouthFest. We all know that the future of skiing lies with our youth and NBS is dedicated to promoting youth in snow sports.

⇒ **What is YouthFest?**

Now in its tenth year, "YouthFest" is a three-day race camp that draws more than 140 youth ages 6 to 18 from the Boston and Eastern Region of the US.

The goal of YouthFest is to develop beginner skiers and snowboarders, to identify top talent, and to provide quality race training by certified Ski Area coaches, NBS Eastern Region, BSP and guest race coaches from the USSA Team.

Throughout the weekend, youth have opportunities to participate in a "modified Giant Slalom" event, races, tuning clinics, fitness activities, and fun youth and family oriented events.

YouthFest provides an opportunity for all youth attendees to showcase their talents. YouthFest has fast become an entry point for competitive young minority skiers and snowboarders.

Through collaboration with Team T2, which sponsors 15-20 distinguished USSA ski team athletes, current and future Olympians will volunteer their time as "guest race coaches."

In past years, more than eight US Ski Team athletes have participated in YouthFest, including USSA Team members Julia Ford, Warner Nickerson, Robbie Kelly, Tucker Marshall, Keith Moffat, Charles Christianson and others. All spent the afternoon on Friday and Saturday conducting race drills, giving helpful pointers and racing young athletes.

a **YouthFest 2019!**

YouthFest 2019 is hosted by the Boston Ski Party (BSP) for disadvantaged youth, primarily from the eastern US, on March 15 – 17, 2019. This year's event will be held at Ragged Mountain in Danbury, NH.

If your child (Age 6-18) is interested in attending the 10th Annual YouthFest, please register ASAP, using the link below and BSP will send you additional information. There is limited space available and your spot is not guaranteed.

<http://bostonskiparty.org/boston-ski-party-youthfest-2019-registration/> ■



Ragged Mountain is located less than 2 hours from Boston.

It's a Wrap— Can Do MS

*in memory of our beloved friend **Jimmie Heuga**
Our 19th Annual Wine Maker Fund Raiser Diner
was held in San Diego, September 28, 2019*

Our 18th annual Wine Maker Dinner for Can Do MS raised more than \$2,300. Thanks everyone for your donations and support. We all missed **Chef Mary Trimmins** but she had a hand in helping Catherine & Gene with the menu and instruction.



photo courtesy Catherine Ohl

Mark and Linda Mathis were a great help again this year.

The wine that has been donated this year is outstanding and each was perfectly paired with one course.

Le Grand Courtâge NC Brut
donated by Tawnya Falkner

2015 Chardonnay
donated by Lake Sonoma Winery

2013 Redemption Zinfandel
donated by Alexander Valley Vineyards

2017 Sauvignon Blanc
donated by St. Supery

2016 Cabernet Sauvignon
donated by Alexander Valley Vineyards

2016 Homestead Red Blend
donated by Alexander Valley Vineyards

2014 Cabernet Sauvignon
donated by Lake Sonoma Winery

In addition, sparkling water was donated by **Solé Water**.



photo courtesy Catherine Ohl

Gene explains the wine while everyone enjoys the pairing of the wine to food.

Gene Fulkerson was master of the Bar-be-que. **George Kish, Linda Newcomb Mathis, Rusty Etzel** and **LynRae Swain** served as the platers, waiters and dish washers. **Mark Mathis**, with a bit of help from **Rick Cole**, was responsible for pouring the wine. **Patricia Ortiz** stayed around to help with the clean up and the hand washing of more than 100 crystal glasses.

These events just get better each year.

Thanks to everyone who contributed and participated—

Barb & Stu Baily, Linda & Mark Mathis, Carmen Jackson, George Kish & Agnes Johnson, Rusty Etzel, Lyn Rae Swain, David Tomshek, Kim & Scott Griffin, Corlis & Steve LeDuff, Jerry & Sandy Cordell, Patricia Ortiz, Rick & Beth Cole, Michael Rammelberg, Barbara Betz and Catherine Ohl. ■



photo courtesy Catherine Ohl

Gene and Patricia.



Formerly **The Heuga Center for MS**
IRS 501(c)(3) Number 74-2337853
www.msando.org • 970-926-1290

mark your **CALENDAR**
September 28, 2019, 5 PM

WATER SPORTS ON THE COLORADO RIVER

IT'S A WRAP

Needles Marina welcomes the Radar River Rats

More photos can be found at radarriverrats.org

September 21–23, 2018



The Hinrichs gang's annual trip to the river with family & friends.



George and Agnes— Gene thanks George for all his help.



Patricia does exist and was able to join us this year—always a pleasure.

October 5–7, 2018



Our entertainment for the weekend— This idiot got his boat high & dry twice.



Got to love these glass runs— Simone is showing us how it's done.



Best time of the year.

October 19–21, 2018



Sunrise is spectacular.



Mark is taking the girls out for a wake board run.



Sunsets are also spectacular.

photos courtesy Catherine Ohl



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*Best
Experience
Anyone
Can
Have!*



It's a Wrap—Cabo

We had a wonderful week in Cabo at the all-inclusive Solaris Resort. October 22–29, 2018. The shows were fun, the food excellent, and the sun welcoming. We went snorkeling, played beach volleyball and did a dinner cruise.

This week was a great time to regroup as we get ready for the ski season. The week went by way too fast. Can't wait to go back. **See page 28.**

This was the first time in awhile we have seen the turtles hatch and taken out to see. Things have changed over the years. Anyone who touched a baby turtle had to have gloves on. ■



It's a Wrap— San Diego Gala



Thank you Barbara & Chris.



Shot Ski, of course.



Napkin Head Air Guitarists.

San Diego Council celebrated their 55th anniversary at the Holiday Inn Bayside in San Diego on November 17, 2018.

Thank you **Chris Gill** and **Barbara Blase** for all your hard work in putting the event together. They had “medals” made for most everyone— past & current club presidents, award receiptants, and council members.

Club Med sponsored the event and raffled off a prize. **Debbie Schroeder** was the lucky winner of a Club Med Week.

Dave Arnold and **Mary Jo Lau**, both from North Island, were honored as the Council's Man and Woman of the Year. **Barbara Blase**, also from North Island, was awarded the annual Joe Harris Award. Congratulations! ■



Debbie Schroeder won a week to Club Med.



Group Photo.

Photos Courtesy Barbara Blase & Debbie Schroeder



Mike Sanford demonstrating gift of binoculars that everyone received.

It's a Wrap— Big White

December 4-11, 2018 was our 12th annual trip to Big White, catching some of that early season powder. The snow was some of the best we've seen in early December and it was the best the west had to offer.

The highlight of the trip was the Big Reds at Big White. This event just gets bigger and better every year. Wines were provided by the local wineries of the Okanagan region from Kelowna to Osoyoos. Food was provided by the local restaurants of Big White.

And while the whole Big White program hadn't yet kicked all the way in, there were a few of the activities offered. There was free hot chocolate at the skating rink at Happy Valley. There was also a night of free tubing with a big bonfire. This was so much fun that you must do it. The fireworks display was incredible and we could watch it from our deck. ■



Maragaritaville in Big White.



Gene & Elissa.



Gene & Catherine.



Gene at Big Reds at Big White.



JP, Sandy, Michelle, Andy on Snow Day.



New Powder Chair.





100% of proceeds to benefit Can Do MS.

WINE

CAN DO
Multiple Sclerosis
formerly Huggs Center for MS

Join Pacific Rim for the 19th Annual
Wine Maker Dinner
A Fund Raiser for MS

September 28, 2019, 5 PM
10818 Viacha Dr. San Diego

\$100

About the Dinner-

- Guest Executive Chef Mary!
- Dinner will consist of 7 courses with an exquisite wine specifically matched to each course.
- Dinner typically lasts a fun 5 hours.

Send check for \$100 payable "Can Do MS" to Gene Fulkerson at 10818 Viacha Dr. San Diego, CA 92124
100% of your donation to benefit Can Do MS.



LEARN TO SKI/RIDE MONTH

Skiers and snowboarders LOVE to celebrate winter! Are you already part of a "winter family"? Then share your passion!

Bring a newcomer to the slopes with you and help them get into the right equipment and signed up for lessons from a pro.

Are you a beginner yourself? it's more fun to learn with friends or family members. A lesson or two from a pro will start you off on an exciting winter adventure. Take your riding to a new level.

Fantastic beginner programs are available all winter long but Learn to Ski and Snowboard Month (January) is a special time when many venues — ski resorts and shops — offer their best beginner learning deals. ■



SKI FOR MS
JOIN THE JIMMIE HEUGA EXPRESS

March 2, 2019 | Squaw Valley, CA

Highlights—

- 8am Registration at Alpenglow
- 10am First Chair at Squaw Dome
- 1pm Ski Race on Naaste Course
- 2:30pm Jimmie Heuga Memorial Ski Down from Bottom of Race Course
- 3-5pm Après Ski Awards Party and Silent Auction at Bar One Village

MS

100% of proceeds directly support facilities with MS.

To join or donate, visit <http://bit.ly/SkiATHon2019>



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USARC.ORG

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Bear Mountain, CA



17th Annual Creek to Bay Cleanup
San Diego

Saturday, April 27, 2019 | 9am - 12noon

Join "I Love a Clean San Diego" on Saturday, April 27th, as we beautify more than 100 sites in San Diego County for the 17th Annual Creek to Bay Cleanup!

Last year, over 8,000 volunteers came out to 116 sites and successfully removed 145,622 pounds of litter and debris.

Instead of turning a blind eye to the abundance of litter found across San Diego County, volunteers channeled their passion into action for San Diego's environment to protect and enhance it.

Registration Open:
April 1, 2019 at CreektoBay.org

Keynote Speaker:
All volunteers should wear comfortable closed-toed shoes, hat, sunglasses and sun protection. Help reduce waste by bringing your own reusable water bottle, gardening or work gloves and a bucket to collect litter.

Information:
Catherine Ohi
ohi@actsmc.org
619-405-0637

I Love a Clean San Diego



Alzheimer's | SAN DIEGO

Walk4ALZ

Save the Date: October 19, 2019
Balboa Park | 8 AM

Alzheimer's | www.alzsd.org

<https://www.alzsd.org/walk4alzhome/>

Big White

April 1 – 8, 2019

NIGHTLY LODGING & LIFT TICKETS FROM **\$77 USD*** PPPN

Signing Up—

- Choose your lodging, dates and room/condo mates
- Book your lodging with Big White
 - Book your ground transfer (~\$96 CAD / \$75 USD*)
- Book your air
 - Big White can assist you
- Send \$75 USD for the PARTY FUND to
 - Pacific Rim Alliance, Attn: Gene Fulkerson
10818 Viacha Dr., San Diego, CA 92124

Trip Includes—

- One **FREE** lift ticket for every night booked
 - Per person based on two per room

\$75 USD Party Pack Includes—

- One group dinner
- Apres ski parties
- Tubing night
- and more

About White Crystal Inn (hotel room)—

- Nightly room rate is \$168 CAD + tax for TWO (dbl occ)
 - That's about **\$77 USD* pppn (includes tax)**
- Ski-in / Ski-out located in the Village Center
- 2 Queen Beds, mini-fridge, coffee maker
- On-site Bullwheel Gastro Family Pub
- Hot tub & lockers

About Big White—

- 25 feet annual dry powder.
- 2,800 patrolled skiable acres.
- 2,550 feet of vertical.
- 4.5 miles longest run.
- 6% ◆◆ 22% ◆ 54% ■ 18% ●
- 118 designated runs.
- 10 ski lifts (6 are high speed).
- Free ski hosts tour at 10:30 AM.
- 5,757 feet Village elevation.
- 18 Restaurants & Bars.
- **BEST SPRING SKIING in the WEST.**

Need a roommate? HELP?

- Contact Gene at **619-804-1939** or
gene@pacificrimalliance.org

**Payments made through Big White in Canadian Dollars based on current exchange 1 CAD=0.75 USD (subject to change)*



Air Options from LA—

- **West Jet**
 - From \$450 with stop in Vancouver
- **Air Canada**
 - From \$450 with stop in Calgary

– Alaska

- From \$410 with stop in Seattle, WA

Air Options from San Diego—

– Alaska

- From \$486 with stop in Seattle, WA

Pacific Rim presents

Hike Torrey Pines

Friday, May 24, 2019, 8am

3.3 Intermediate Miles (2 hours)

This Torrey Pines hike takes you to the best of the park – you experience great ocean views, hike through unique geological formations, get a glimpse of the world-famous golf course, hike on an antique version of the Pacific Coast Highway, and of course, get see the Torrey Pine. The Torrey Pine is the rarest pine tree in the United States and is an endangered species. You can only see them here and on the Channel Islands.

Meet Torrey Pines State Reserve
12600 N Torrey Pines Rd., La Jolla, CA, 92037

Bring Hat, Sunscreen, Sufficient Water & Food

Confirmation— Call Gene 619-804-1939



White Water Rafting

June 5–8, 2019

4 days / 3 nights

Payment (\$300 deposit)—

Payments can be made directly to Holiday using a credit card.

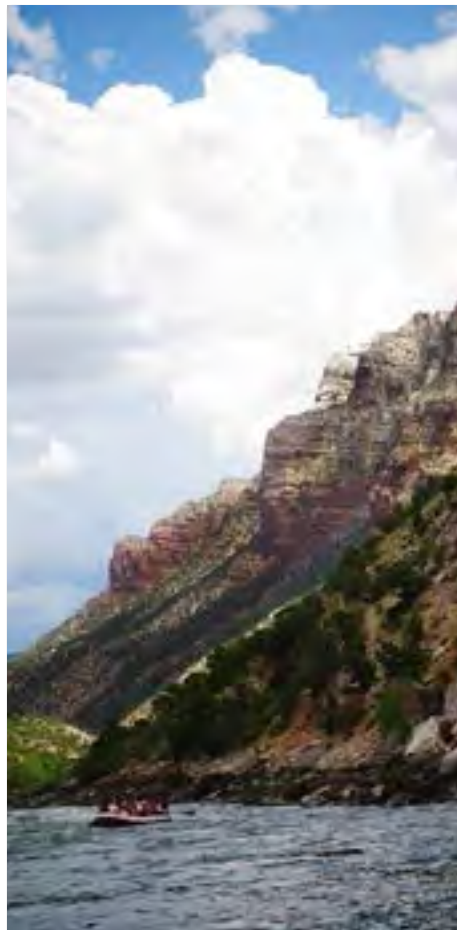
- 801-266-2087
- Karen@BikeRaft.com
- www.BikeRaft.com

Trip Leader—

- Gene Fulkerson
- 619-804-1939
- gene@pacificrimalliance.org

Trip Highlights—

- Intimate cliffs cradle you through a geologic time warp
- **Unforgettable class 3/4 rapids**
- Abundant biodiversity in an ecological transition zone
- Back door views of this hidden-gem Dinosaur Monument
- Blue Ribbon Trout Fishing



Details—

Pricing— **\$980** per person
\$860 for seniors

Trip starts & ends in Vernal, Utah. Rafting goes through Lodore Gate.

Rafting on the Green River is through Dinosaur National Monument. An additional Park Service Fee will be collected.

Will need tent, sleeping bag, pad, etc.— available for rent from Holiday Bike & Raft.

All meals are provided by Holiday... and they are awesome.

Lodore Gate—

Green River Rafting through Lodore Canyon in Dinosaur National Monument is filled with excitement and beautiful scenery. We will encounter 800-foot canyon walls superbly crafted by Mother Nature of Precambrian Bedrock along with exquisite vermilion rock formations.

Many of the exciting whitewater rapids were named by John Wesley Powell, who first discovered the canyon in 1869. Powell's adventures live on in the whitewater rapids he named: Disaster Falls, Triplet Falls and Hell's Half Mile.

Set aside as an American treasure in 1938 under the National Park System, the Green River through Lodore Canyon is a sanctuary for bighorn sheep, pronghorn and birds of prey. Lodore Canyon is made up of rock layers from 1.1 Billion to 20 Million years old! ■



Pacific Rim Alliance invites you...

Cabo San Jose, Mexico

October 22– 28, 2019

Choose your dates & length of stay

Royal Solaris

● *The All-Inclusive Basics*

- Spacious Hotel Room with Stocked Mini-Bar
- Choice of King or 2 Queens
- Unlimited Meals, Alcohol, Soft Drinks
- Five Restaurants & Four Bars
- Two Swimming Pools and Two Jacuzzis
- Steam Room and Fitness Center
- Weekly Activity Programs
 - Beach & Pool Volleyball, Aqua Aerobics, Water Games, Dancing Lessons, Yoga
- Dinner Shows and Theme Nights
 - Mexican, Latin, Cinema Solaris, Evolution of Dance
- Live Music in the Lobby Bar most nights
- Scuba Diving Demo at the Diving Pool
- Taxes & Tips

● *Member Benefits Include*

- Round Trip Transportation from Airport
- Ocean View Room
- Robe & Slippers
- Free Wi-Fi
- Member Gourmet Breakfast
- Premium Bar & Members Only Lounge
- Premium Dinner Menu & Advance Reservations
- Reserved Seating at Dinner Shows
- Caribbean Night with Brazilian Dancers & Fire Show
- Excursion (1 free for 6-day+ stay) choice of
 - Snorkeling, Camel Ride on Beach, Ziplining

● *Pricing* [double occupancy]

\$95 per Person per Night

- Includes Basic Benefits
- Member Benefits (for stays of 6 or more nights)

\$76* per Person per Night

- **Must attend a 90-min time-share presentation**

* Price increases to **\$81** pppn after May 22, 2019.

Price increases to **\$86** pppn after July 22, 2019

● *Extras Available (\$)*

- Room Service
- Business Center
- Spa, Beauty Salon and Shops
- Shuttle Service to Cabo San Lucas
- Tours Operated by Outside Company On Site offers Zipline, Fishing, ATV, Diving, Swim with Dolphins

● *The Fine Print*

- Can use Credit Card to Pay [no additional charge]
- Entertainment/Programs subject to change
- Solaris is a time-share and you will be asked if you want to attend a presentation. In our experience, if you say no they will leave you alone.
- Royal Solaris is located in Cabo San Jose, only 15 minutes from the San Jose International Airport (SJD) and just 20 minutes from Cabo San Lucas.
- Trip Insurance is recommended.



radar **RIVER** rats 2019

colorado **RIVER** skiing/boarding
needles **MARINA**



\$145**

You must be a current member of the Radar River Rats and sign a Liability Release to participate in our water ski/board events.

photo courtesy Catherine Ohl

water **SKIING** wake **BOARDING** at its very best!

2019 Colorado River **SCHEDULE**

June 21–23	July 19–21
Aug 2–4	Aug 16–18
Sept 6–8	Sept 20–22
Oct 4–6	Oct 18–20

Everyone Welcome

Friends • Family • Beginner • Expert

Please note: Our skis and wake boards are best suited for Beginners to Intermediates. We suggest if you require more advanced equipment that you rent them from your local sporting goods store.

Trip Includes—

- 1 Full & 1 Half Day Skiing/Boarding
- Equipment & Instruction
- Waterfront Camping
- 5 Meals— 3 on Saturday & 2 on Sunday
- Saturday Happy Hour
- Beer, Wine & Soda on Saturday & Sunday

What's Available—

- **Location—** Needles Marina
- Pool, Showers & Rental Cabins available
- 6 PM Check-in Fri, 5 PM Check-out on Sun
- Option to add Friday Skiing/Boarding

Prices—

\$145 **	Skier / Boarder
\$75	Non-Skier *
\$35	Child age 6–12 *
Free	Child 5 and under*

Must be a member of Radar River Rats—

* May not ride in the club boat during club hours.

** Subject to fuel surcharge if gas is more than \$5/gal

For Trip Information—

Visit www.RadarRiverRats.org

Call Patricia at 323-651-0686 (before 9 PM)

Boat Drivers—

Call Gene at 619-804-1939 (before 9 PM)

Far West Ski Association

TRAVEL

FAR WEST SKI ASSOCIATION

Steamboat, Colorado • Feb. 2 — 9, 2019



Package Includes:
7 Nights Lodging
Steamboat Party
Welcome Reception
Farewell Party
Unlimited Lift & Ski Pass
All the fun you can handle!
Skiing & Snowboarding
Optional Activities & Equipment

Contact Information

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Las Vegas	Todd Hood	(916) 444-8832	toddhood@fwsa.org
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San Diego	Art Gopich	(619) 483-0426	artgopich@fwsa.org
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Also be a member of the Far West Ski Association Chapter (FWSA)

Steamboat Ski Week

February 2 – 9, 2019

INFORMATION FOR TRAVELERS

FWSA 2019 Int'l. JAPAN Trip

Hakuba Valley Ski Resort – Home of the 1998 Nagano Olympics

Basic Ski Week: March 9-16, 2019 (SFO & LAX Group Air departs Mar. 8th)

Optional Pre-Trip to Niseko – March 4-9, 2019 (Min. of 22 & Max. of 32 & departs US Mar. 3rd)

Pre-trip must be combined with BASIC Hakuba Valley Trip – not sold separately

Optional Extension trip to Kanazawa, Kyoto & Tokyo

March 16-23, 2019

Experience the "LAND OF THE RISING SUN".
Enjoy the "LAND OF SAKE AND CHERRY BLOSSOMS"



Why Japan? Where else can you have some of the best skiing in the world and use your **EPIC PASS!**



Why Japan? Where else can you enjoy such a rich and unique culture that spans thousands of years?

Here's why... Japan offers something for everyone, whether it's deep powder skiing, long winding groomed skiing, sightseeing in some of the ancient temples, or the Wild Monkey habitat, there is something to please everyone!

BASIC TRIP Land Package - The Tokyo Hotel (Not including Air Transportation or Lift Tickets)

- Approximate lodging package costs – starting at \$1720.00 per person based on double occupancy
- Pricing is based on exchange rate of 1USD vs. 110 Yen – subject to change
- Basic land package pricing is based on a min. of 86 people & the Extension pricing is based on a min. of 34 people – subject to change if requirements are not met. All local taxes are included
- Single Supplement rooms are available – quantities are limited.

Land Package Includes:

- All airport ground transfers with Multi-lingual guide meeting the FWSA Group Air people upon arrival
- 7 nights' accommodations with breakfast daily and Free Wi-Fi
- 5 Dinners – 2 nights on your own to dine at the local restaurants of your choice.
- Welcome/Orientation at the hotel on the 2nd day after arrival due to group's air late arrival time
- Special Eura Goryu Drumming and Dinner Show, including bus transportation
- Complimentary Mountain Escort for 3 hours on the 1st day of skiing – groups of 20 max.
- Local guide at the hotel each evening for 1 hour
- Optional Day Tour and mid-week Après ski party – details to be provided

Air Transportation Information - It is HIGHLY recommended to use FWSA air transportation!

- Group Air - SFO & LAX air details to be provided
- Stand Alone Trip Air – contact Debbie Stewart
- Alternate airport and/or post trip deviations are available - they are limited!
- Air prices DO include estimated Fuel surcharges, Taxes and current Exchange Rate – subject to change.
- If you are arranging your OWN flights but wish to take the FWSA bus transfers, you MUST coordinate your flight schedule with the FWSA group air schedule. No special alternate pick-up or drop offs by the bus will be permitted.

Make checks out to: Far West Ski Association (FWSA). Please reference "FWSA 2019 JAPAN Trip" on each check.

Send to: Debbie Stewart
FWSA VP of Int'l Travel
430 S. Church St.
Visalia, CA 93277
FwsaIntlTrvl@worldpay.net or call: 559/737-0882

CST # 2036983-40

Japan International Ski Week(s)

March 4 – 23, 2019



Far West Ski Association's

2019 Mini Ski Trip
March 24th to 29th, 2019

Package prices start at:
\$475

Ask about discounted 4-day lift ticket or Ikon Pass Purchase

Price does NOT include air or ground transportation



Included:

Five night's lodging
@ The Vintage Resort Hotel
Hotel Rooms
Welcome Reception
Farewell Party

Optional for Purchase:

4-Day Discounted Lift Tickets
Ikon Pass

Optional Activities:

Snowmobiling
Snowbiking
Coca Cola Tube Park
Ice Skating
Scenic Snowcat Tours
Dog Sled Rides
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WITH A 75-YEAR HISTORY, WINTER PARK RESORT IS COLORADO'S LONGEST CONTINUALLY OPERATED SKI RESORT. OVER THE YEARS WE'VE BEEN KNOWN TO BE "EXTREMELY COLORADO," "AUTHENTIC COLORADO," and "COLORADO'S FAVORITE." REGARDLESS OF WHAT YOU KNOW US AS, REST ASSURED WE'RE MORE THAN YOU IMAGINE!

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FWSA CST #2036983-40

Winter Park Mini Ski Week

March 24 – 29, 2019



COME JOIN YOUR FAR WEST FRIENDS ON THE FIRST PRESA WINDJAMMER CRUISE!

SAVE THE DATES!! MAY 19-26, 2019

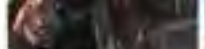
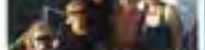
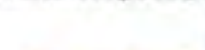
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Cruise prices include all port taxes, meals, beer, wine and soft drinks.

The fare on this cruise is based on a minimum of 100 people arriving on the cruise on the first day of the cruise.

Bookings without the 100 people minimum are subject to change.

For more information, visit our website at www.islandwindjammers.com or call 1-800-827-1000



BVI Island Windjammer

May 19 – 26, 2019

Far West Ski Association

TRAVEL

For more information visit — www.fwsa.org



87th Annual
**Far West Ski Association
Convention**
June 13 - 16, 2019
at the



**HYATT
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Hosted by the *Orange Council of Ski Clubs*

Hyatt Regency Indian Wells Resort & Spa

44-600 Indian Wells Lane, Indian Wells, CA 92210

Reservations <https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/group-booking/CHAMP/G-FSKI> or

call **1-760-776-1234**, Group Name: **Far West Ski Association**.

Room Rates per night plus tax single or double occupancy —
\$139 per night

Room Registration Deadline May 17, 2019

Hotel Features

- Agua Serena Spa
- 36 Holes of Championship Golf
- Heated Swimming Pool and Hot Therapy Pool
- Lantana Restaurant
- Oasis Poolside Bar
- Agave Sunset tequila bar and lounge, overlooking golf course
- Pool and hot tub • Fitness Center

Transportation

- Air transportation is via Palm Springs (30 minutes), or Ontario (1.5 hours) or Los Angeles LAX (2.5 hours).
- Transportation to the airport is available by car rental or shuttle.

Convention Highlights

- Silent Auction & Trade Show
- Travel Expo
- Snowsports Leadership Academy
- Celebrity Speakers
- Public Affairs Panels
- Saturday Awards Luncheon
- Saturday Awards Banquet
- FWSA General Meeting & Elections

Optional Activities

• Thursday

- ° Palm Springs Air Museum
- ° Celebrities Home Tour
- ° Pub Crawl

• Friday

- ° 13th Annual Michael German Memorial Golf Tournament
- ° Aerial Tram Ride in San Jacinto
- ° Spa Day
- ° Pool Party

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A portion of the Silent Auction proceeds will benefit the USARC.

www.fwsa.org

San Diego Council of Ski Clubs

TRAVEL

San Diego Council of Ski Clubs
Amsterdam-Bruges Bike & Boat
April 27-May 4, 2019



TOUR PRICE INCLUDES:

- Magnifique III - Premium river ship-Ship 14 has double cabins, 5 upper deck suites, 2 single cabins, dining room, wifi,
- Bikes onboard, stay onboard during the day, flat screen satellite TV, hair dryers, bath amenities, safes
- Guided bike tours each day led by experienced guides. Helmut will be one of our guides. Map books included
- Bikes 27 speed, helmets and pants included in the price
- 7 nights-8 days accommodation double room with private bath for each room
- Full board (breakfast, lunch, dinner) served on the boat-lunch carried on bike each day
- Sheets and towels changed out on Wed, light daily cabin cleaning, daily changing of towels upon request
- Complimentary coffee and tea provided on board during the day until 4:00pm
- Daily snack in the afternoon upon return to the ship
- Wine and beer onboard not included in price
- Tips not included in price
- Ebike \$120 extra per person
- Jacuzzi available on top deck
- Easy guided tour, avg daily ride 30 miles on flat and asphalt bike paths with little traffic

PRICES:

Twin or double \$1600 Upper deck suite \$1900 • Single \$1600 plus \$500 single supplement

Amsterdam-Bruges Bike & Boat April 27 – May 4, 2019

December 2020

Cruise— Christmas Market
along the Danube River

January 2021

Safari— South Africa



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5 NIGHTS PRE-TRIP FROM \$1995

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IT'S INCLUDED

- Choose to purchase Grand Circle's airfare and your airport transfers, government taxes, fees, and airline fuel surcharges are included. Or, make your own air arrangements
- All flights within the South Pacific
- Accommodations for 16 nights
- 30 meals: 16 breakfasts, 5 lunches, and 9 dinners (including 1 Home-Hosted Dinner)
- 18 included features: 12 guided tours and 6 exclusive Discovery Series events: Aborigines Today discussion • Returned Services League dinner • Opal discussion • Obinenu community visit • Home-Hosted Dinner • School visit
- Gratuities on your main trip for local guides and motorcoach drivers
- Personal headset for all included and optional tours on your main trip
- Exclusive services of a local Grand Circle Program Director (assigned to no more than 42 travelers)
- 5% Frequent Traveler Credit toward your next Grand Circle trip—an average of \$24
- Baggage handling for 1 piece of luggage per person, including tips

*Information and prices are estimates only based on 2018 departures. Dates, prices, and itineraries are subject to change.

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PRE-TRIP OPTION:
5 nights in Melbourne & the Outback

Day 1-2 / Depart U.S.

Day 3-4 / Cairns, Australia
HOTEL Doubletree by Hilton Cairns or similar
INCLUDED TOURS Australian Wildlife Park, Great Barrier Reef
OPTIONAL TOURS Outer Great Barrier Reef, Tjapukai, Skyrail & Kuranda Village

Day 7-10 / Sydney
HOTEL Primus Hotel Sydney or similar
INCLUDED TOURS Sydney & the Opera House, Sydney Harbor Cruise
OPTIONAL TOUR Sydney by Night

Day 11-14 / Queenstown, New Zealand
HOTEL Pygmy's Auckland Hotel or similar
INCLUDED TOURS Lake Wakatipu & Walter Peak Sheep Station, Milford Sound cruise, Arrowtown, Winery tour
OPTIONAL TOUR Kawarau Jet-boat Ride

Day 15-16 / Rotorua
HOTEL Distinction Rotorua Hotel or similar
INCLUDED TOURS Rotorua
OPTIONAL TOUR Te Puia Dinner

Day 17-18 / Auckland
HOTEL Pygmy's Auckland Hotel or similar
INCLUDED TOURS Auckland Harbor Sailing, Auckland

Day 19 / Auckland • Return to U.S.

POST-TRIP OPTION:
4 nights in Fiji

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Australia & New Zealand

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featuring Athens, Mykonos and Santorini

Tour Dates: May 3-11, 2019
Ski Club Membership Required

Mayflower
CRUISES & TOURS

Cruise Greek Islands May 3– 11, 2019

Community Center giving BACK...so easy to do

ALLIANCE



Can Do MS

Everything done at Can Do MS is driven by one simple belief: you are more than your MS. Can Do MS is the start of a whole new way of thinking about and living with multiple sclerosis. For more than 30 years Can Do MS has been empowering people with MS with research, webinars and other programs.

Our next fund raiser for MS will be our annual wine dinner on **Sept. 28, 2019**. For more information contact

Gene Fulkerson
gene@pacificrimalliance.org
619-804-1939

Can Do MS

[formerly the Heuga Center for MS]
IRS 501(c)(3) Number 74-2337853
www.cando-ms.org • 970.926.1290

USARC

United States Adaptive Recreation Center (USARC) is committed to guiding people with disabilities toward the creation and affirmation of rewarding lifestyles. Located in Big Bear, CA, USARC runs an adaptive ski school in the winter. In the summer USARC takes to the fresh waters of Big Bear Lake for wild adaptive water sports.

To volunteer contact **Sara Richter**, Outreach Coordinator,
sara@usarc.org.

Ski-A-Thon Fund Raiser

The USARC Ski-A-Thon event is a life-changing event, not just for the skiers, but for those whom the event supports. To join or donate, visit **First Giving** at

<http://bit.ly/SkiAThon2019>.



Recycle Program

Pacific Rim recycles cans, bottles and glass at all our events. Each quarter we donate the proceeds to a charity.

This quarter's donation goes to support our **Can Do MS** team on Saturday, March 2, 2019, at Squaw Valley. To race or donate contact Catherine at ohl@acatmeowz.com.



AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at no cost. For more information, to sign up & shop visit— smile.amazon.com/.

The Unrecables

{re}Register Ralphs Card [each Sept]

The Unrecables Ski Club is a non-profit, volunteer-based organization, serving the recreational needs of people with disabilities. They promote adaptive sports, and encourage people with disabilities to participate in sports, recreational, and social activities in their

communities. The club is a member of the LA Council of Ski Clubs.

Log in to www.ralphs.com. Click on **Community Contribution**. Click on **Participant**. Follow the easy steps to enroll. **Their NPO# is 80831**. Be sure to complete all information.

To volunteer visit unrecables.org or email info@unrecables.org.



Trip Application

ALLIANCE

Trip/Event: _____ Trip/Event Dates: _____

If you don't have a roommate yet, just fill in the information for Participant 1. If you have more than one roommate, fill out the appropriate number of forms. Single Supplement is usually available upon request. Download Liability [Form](#).

Description	Participant 1	Participant 2 (Roommate)
EXACT Name on Passport		
Street Address		
City, State, Zip		
Email		
Cell Phone		
Home Phone		
Date of Birth		
Passport Number		
COUNTRY Passport Issued		
Date Passport ISSUED		
Date Passport EXPIRES		
Bedding ("2 beds" or "matrimonial")		
Cost — Basic Trip (PP)		
Cost — Extension (pp)		
Single Supplement (Call for price)		
Membership (\$8 single/\$10 family)		
Deposit		
Final Payment		
Departure Airport, Date & Time		
Departure Airline & Flight #		
Return Airport, Date & Time		
Return Airline & Flight #		
Special Requests		

Send form(s) with your payment to Pacific Rim Alliance, 10818 Viacha Dr., San Diego, CA 92124. To expedite the process, email this completed Trip Form to gene@pacificrimalliance.org. For information contact [Gene Fulkerson](#) or call 619-804-1939.

Pacific Rim Alliance Photography Policy:

By attending a Pacific Rim Alliance Event (the "Event"), you consent to being filmed and or photographed, whereas your image, voice, and likeness may be used by Pacific Rim Alliance for promotional purposes. Any photograph taken at the Event, whether in digital or analog format, is subject to mandatory, non-exclusive license to the Pacific Rim Alliance for use in Event promotional purposes.

Membership Application

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ALL Pacific Rim Alliance attendees must be a member to participate in one of our trips. Our membership year is from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

To join the Pacific Rim Alliance, fill out the following, Sign your release of liability and send with your check [payable to Pacific Rim Alliance] to:

Pacific Rim Alliance
10818 Viacha Dr., San Diego, CA 92124

Name [1]: _____ Name [2]: _____

Home Addr: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-Mail Addr [1]: _____

E-Mail Addr [2]: _____

Cell [1]: _____ Cell [2]: _____

Home: _____ Work [1]: _____

Birthday [1]: _____ Birthday [2]: _____

Indicate Membership

[Includes membership in FWSA, LA & San Diego Councils, NSAA]

- ☐ \$8 INDIVIDUAL Membership
- ☐ \$10 FAMILY Membership—Significant other, spouse, children, friends residing at same residence qualify.

Photographs of members participating in club activities are routinely included in a newsletter or on our web site or facebook which is distributed to the membership and other interested parties and is made available to the general public. Signature is required below to agree to this and to the terms of the Release of Liability to the right.

Signature [1]

Date

Signature [2]

Date

Release Of Liability, Waiver Of Claims, Express Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement

WAIVER: I am aware that participation in the Pacific Rim Alliance events has, in addition to the usual risks, dangers and hazards associated with travel, snowboarding, alpine, Nordic, Heli & off-piste skiing, certain additional risks, dangers and hazards including, but not limited to: boarding, riding and disembarking ski lifts; changing weather conditions; exposed or hidden natural or man-made objects; avalanches; failure to ski or ride safely or within one's own ability; and negligence on the part of other skiers and boarders, the organization or their staff.

I freely accept and fully assume all such risks and danger and the possibility of personal injury, disability, death, loss or damage to person or property that may occur as a result of my engaging in the above activities.

I HEREBY RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS [releasees Pacific Rim Alliance] WITH RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL INJURY, DISABILITY, DEATH, or loss or damage to person or property, WHETHER CAUSED BY NEGLIGENCE OR OTHERWISE.

I hereby release the releasees, their officers, directors, employees, representatives, agents, and volunteers from liability and responsibility whatsoever and for any claims or causes of action that I, my estate, heirs, survivors, executors, or assigns may have for personal injury, property damage, or wrongful death arising from the above activities whether caused by active or passive negligence of the releasees or otherwise.

MEMBERSHIP has its BENEFITS

The **Far West Ski Association** has an impressive collection of member benefits including trips, lodging, lift ticket and more. Check out the member benefits at fwsa.org.

The **National Ski Council Federation** has also discount benefits for club members which includes lodging, lift tickets, ski rental and so much more.

Check out www.skifederation.org for the complete list of benefits. Go to the "Members Only" area and sign up.

"The Voice of the Western Skier"

FWSA MemberCard
2018-2019

Name: _____

Club: _____

Council: _____

fwsa.org

Member Benefits

The bearer of this card is a member of the Far West Ski Association and entitled to all the benefits associated with membership in FWSA. This card is non-transferable. Photo ID may be required. Expires 4/30/19.

Our Sustainability Responsibility

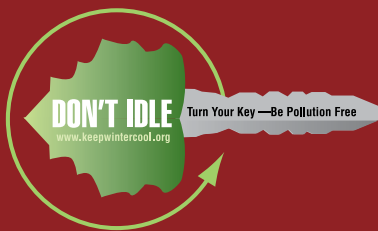
Climate change is REAL! It's always been around but there is definitely a downward trend.

One of the issues that worries us is that we may lose the availability of skiing. Snowfall is no longer predictable. Snow levels are rising. Temperatures are generally warmer. Slopes are seeing more periods of rain in the middle of winter.

World glaciers are melting at accelerated rates. Glaciers in Europe are being covered with blankets during the summer to reduce melting. Animals that live in the Arctic are in danger as their ecosystem is disrupted.

Protect Our Winters is a passionate crew of die-hards, professional athletes and industry brands mobilizing the outdoor sports community to lead the charge towards positive climate action.

A one year membership in POW is now included in the new 2018-19 Ikon. Pass. The change starts with us.



Rules of Conduct

This policy applies to all persons participating in a Pacific Rim Alliance Event. All participants are requested to observe common courtesy and generally accepted standards of social and moral behavior.

- ◆ There is a Zero Tolerance Policy on illegal drug use at any sponsored event or trip.
- ◆ Alcohol is allowed in moderation and where permitted by law.
- ◆ Smoking is not permitted when with the group, including but limited to, cigarettes, e-cigarettes and pot.
- ◆ There is a strict policy prohibiting sexual harassment and harassment because of race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, disability, medical condition, marital status, sexual orientation, age, or any other basis made unlawful by any applicable law or ordinance or regulation.
- ◆ Profanity and off-color humor is only permitted if it is not offensive to other participants.
- ◆ Parents/Legal Guardians of minor children under the age of 18 are responsible for the supervision and behavior of their children.
- ◆ Board Members will attempt to resolve problems in a mutually beneficial manner. When resolution cannot be achieved, the proper authority will be called to resolve the problem.
- ◆ Participants who violate our Conduct Policy may be excluded from future trips without reimbursement of expenses. ■



POW 
PROTECT OUR WINTERS

<http://protectourwinters.org/>



Tahoe, March 2015



The Fine Print

ALLIANCE

➡ About Pacific Rim

Pacific Rim Alliance is all about skiing. We were formed with the express notion of skiing the world and never having to attend a meeting.

Originally we concentrated on skiing exotic resorts in Europe, South America and New Zealand. These have been scaled back due to the weak economy. While many of us are now retired we are looking at locations that fit the quote that "we have more time than money."

We have gotten into the groove of running early and late season ski weeks to Big White Ski Resorts in Canada. These trips run about \$700 per person per week and include hotel lodging

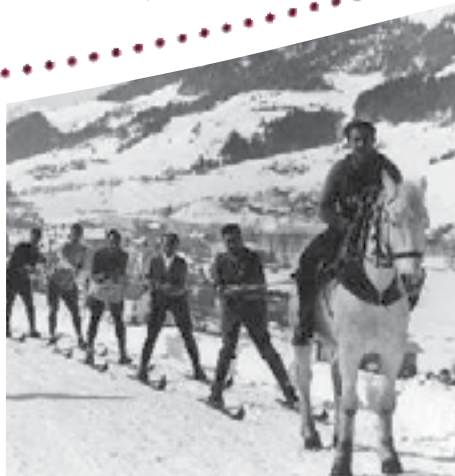
(double occupancy), 6-day lift ticket, ground transfer from/to the Kelowna airport and various parties. We believe that Big White offers the best and most consistent early and late snow.

We do not offer Mammoth trips since there are so many ski clubs in both the Los Angeles and San Diego Councils that offer quality affordable bus trips to Mammoth. Just ask and we'll direct you.

We believe in giving back to our ski community.

- ◆ Our major fund raiser is our annual wine maker dinner for Can DO MS. To date we have raised more than \$45,000.

- ◆ We encourage members to participate in other on-snow fund raisers for so many good causes—Hope on the Slopes (for cancer), Ski to Defeat ALS, USARC Ski-a-thon & Peak-to-Peak and "Ski for MS."
- ◆ We also support junior racers (through the Far West Ski Foundation), Women's Ski Jumpers USA, Wounded Warriors, the Unrecables and others.
- ◆ We are passionate about protecting our earth and the future of skiing.



➡ Official Documents

We are a 503(c)7 not-for-profit corporation founded in 1997 and incorporated in the state of Nevada. We file a Form 990 yearly.

A current copy of our Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation can be found on our [website](#).

Liability waivers are required for membership on all trips and events. Trip waivers can be downloaded from our [website](#).

➡ Ski History

We have a relatively young history as a ski club. Most of our history can be found in our past newsletters and photo galleries cataloged since our beginning.

We also have a collection of histories of ski clubs, councils, the Far West Ski Association and ski resorts in the west. It is a work in progress updated regularly by our Club historian. If you have any history you would like to share, contact **Catherine Ohl** at ohl@acatmeowz.com. Visit our [website](#) to learn more.

➡ Learn-to-Ski Programs

We encourage our members to participate in the National Bring-A-Friend challenge (<http://www.bringafriend.org/>) in January.

There are some incredible deals for first time skiers. It's a great way to get your friends safely on the slopes.

Another significant program is National Ski Safety Month (www.nsaa.org/safety-programs/national-safety-month/).



Use your brain, it's the most important part of your equipment.

~Kevin Andrews and Warren Miller, Extreme Skiing



Mission Statement

The PACIFIC RIM ALLIANCE is a non-profit organization dedicated to the appreciation of skiing, boarding, sight-seeing, photography, travel, public affairs, our environment and civic awareness. The Alliance is further oriented to the building of international relations among skiers, snowboarders and sports organizations throughout the Pacific Rim.

Surplus moneys above requirements for deposits for future trips will be donated to non-profit organizations devoted to charity, research & education.

We are especially interested in, but not limited to, supporting Ski Area Development, Adaptive Ski Programs, Can Do Multiple Sclerosis, Olympic & Junior Racers and Ski Museums.

The Alliance is a member of San Diego Council of Ski Clubs (SDCSC), Los Angeles Council of Ski Clubs (LAC), Far West Ski Association (FWSA), National Ski Council Federation (NSCF) and an associate member of National Ski Areas Association (NSAA). Membership in Pac Rim allows you to participate in their events and programs. ■



FWSA Recognition Programs

Far West Ski Association has an extensive recognition and awards program. Over the years, Pacific Rim and our members have won numerous Far West awards.

There are a variety of programs for individuals. Submittal deadline is March 19. Details and applications can be found at <http://fwsa.org/MemberCorner/Programs/programs.html>.

Far West is offering three great

prizes that require some thought and work but yields a big reward.

- ◆ **Environmental Awardee** wins a 5-night ski trip for two to Aspen/Snowmass, CO.
- ◆ **Western Ski Heritage Awardee** wins a 5-night ski trip for two to Steamboat, CO.
- ◆ **Safety Person of the Year** wins a \$750 certificate for a trip to Telluride, CO. ■



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- ◆ Ski with Pride ◆
- ◆ Watch all Sides ◆
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First with Safety Awareness

