



UPDATES

<http://PacificRimAlliance.org/>

Pacific Rim Snow Sports Alliance

Vol. 6 • No. 2 • Fall 2002

INSIDE THIS ISSUE

The Alliance..... 1

Features

- Member Profile: Jim Loyd..... 2
- Snowboard Strip..... 9

Public Affairs

- Industry Ski News..... 4
- Safety Quiz..... 3
- Fitness: Get Stacked..... 4

Tripping Around..... 2

- Snowbasin / Powder Mountain..... 3
- Sestriere, Italy..... 7
- New Zealand, August 2003..... 8
- LAC Snow Gala..... 6
- San Diego Winter Gala..... 6
- LAC & San Diego Shows & Sales..... 6
- LAC Ski, Board, Race Camp..... 6

Trip Wrap Up

- San Diego Family Picnic..... 6
- Midnight Madness Bike Ride..... 6

Sign-Up Forms..... 9

- Membership & Trips..... 9

the Alliance

Costa Rica—

The Costa Rica trip is sold out with 26 people. It looks like it will be another fantastic trip for us.

Sestriere, Italy—

Since this trip was close to being sold out, we have added another 10 spots. We are currently scheduled on Lufthansa since Alitalia has discontinued its non-stop flight from LA to Milan. We will be flying non-stop to Frankfurt and then onto Milan.

Some of you may be aware that due to the Euro to Dollar situation, many European trips are experiencing price increases. While the cost of our trip has also gone up 5%, we have been able to maintain our trip at the same price.

Packages for those signed up will be sent out as soon as Corsica is finalized.

New Zealand—

We have been taking deposits for New Zealand. We are already almost half sold out. Our post extension trip will be for five days to the Cook Islands since we couldn't work out the logistics to allow us to go to Tasmania. Trip details can be found on page 8. ■

Snowbasin & Powder Mountain—

Ever since before the 2002 Olympics, we have been intrigued with skiing Snowbasin. Sun Valley owns Snowbasin and Powder, Inc. is looking to add Powder Mountain to its arsenal of ski areas (Park City, Mt. Bachelor). These areas are going to be big real soon.

I have put together an extended weekend trip to Snowbasin **if I can get enough interest within the next three weeks!** I have only 32 spots reserved. We will have our own bus to take us to both resorts daily. And, of course, there will be the usual Pac Rim après ski parties. ■

We need to know by Oct. 18 if interested!

Snowbasin

Home of 2002 Olympic Downhill

Jan 30 – Feb 3, 2003

Thursday – Tuesday (5 Nights)

Snowbasin—

What's more exciting than skiing the Olympic Men's and Women's downhill courses – on a slope of over 70% grade? Olympians reached the finish after doing 1-3/4 miles in less than 2 minutes.

Powder Mountain—

As a pleasant contrast, Powder Mountain offers some of the best and most affordable cat- and heli-skiing.

(see page 3 for details)



- Ski With Pride •
- Watch All Sides •
- Let It Ride •

First With Safety Awareness

NATIONAL SKI AREAS ASSOCIATION



Associate Member
NATIONAL SKI AREAS ASSOCIATION
nsaa.org



Membership in Pacific Rim Alliance gives you membership in LA Council of Ski Clubs (LAC), San Diego Ski Council (SDSC) and the Far West Ski Association (FWSA).



**MEMBERSHIP DUES NOW DUE...
SEE PAGE 9 FOR FORM**

TRIPPING AROUND

❖ Pacific Rim Alliance ❖

- COSTA RICA 25 Oct - 3 Nov 2002
Gene Fulkerson @ 858-467-9469
- SNOWBASIN, UT 30 Jan - 4 Feb 2003
Gene Fulkerson @ 858-467-9469
- SESTRIERE, Italy 8-16 March 2003
GENOA, Italy & CORSICA, France
Gene Fulkerson @ 858-467-9469
- NEW ZEALAND 31 July - 12 Aug 2003
Gene Fulkerson @ 858-467-9469

❖ Los Angeles Council ❖

- SNOW GALA (Marina del Rey) 2 Nov 2002
Catherine Ohl @ 858-467-9469
- SKI DAZZLE (LA Convention) 21-24 Nov 2002
Ed Knott @ 310-313-1902
- RACE CAMP (Mammoth) 13-22 Dec 2003
John Funtsch @ 310-545-9349
John Catozzi @ 858-674-7454
- WINTER PARK, CO 1-8 Feb 2003
Bonnie West @ 562-699-8880

❖ San Diego Council ❖

- COUNCIL PICNIC (Crowne Point) 21 July 2002
Gene Fulkerson @ 858-467-9469
- SKI SWAP & SALE (Ranch Craft) 24-26 Oct 2002
Catherine Ohl @ 858-467-9469
- WINTER GALA (Reuben E. Lee) 2 Nov 2002
Catherine Ohl @ 858-467-9469
- SNOW JAM (Del Mar Fairgrounds) 8-10 Nov 2002
Catherine Ohl @ 858-467-9469
- HAPPY HOUR (LaJolla Marriott) 6 Dec 2002
Connie Smith @ 619-442-4924
- SALT LAKE CITY, UT 26-30 Dec 2002
Sara Tully @ 858-271-9741

❖ Far West Ski Association ❖

- BIG MOUNTAIN, MT 25 Jan - 1 Feb 2003
Susie Vetter @ 858-278-9026
- SCHLADMING (Austria) 7-15 March 2003
Tucker Hoffmann @ 510-278-5900
- MT. BACHELOR (FWRA Champs) 3-7 April 2003
Nancy Sanford @ 909-866-9066
- FWSA Convention (PS) 29 May - 1 June 2003
Judy Schultheis @ 619-461-4478
- LAKE LOUISE, Canada Jan 2004

MEMBER PROFILE

Jim Loyd

Jim Loyd started working for Big White 27 years ago as a ski instructor and was soon promoted to Director of Ski School. After about 10 years, he changed gears and became Director of Skiing in charge of everything to do with skiing, from the ski school to guest services. In 1996, he became Big White's Director of Sales and Marketing.



In 1996, Jim had never heard of the Far West Ski Association, and frankly, we had never heard of Big White (don't you mean Big Mountain or perhaps Big Sky, eh?) It turns out that Big White was Canada's best kept secret. Of course, Jim was on a mission to make sure we all learned about the secret of Big White — its the light, dry snow!

For the past seven years, Jim has been hard at work enticing FWSA ski clubs to bring their group to his fabulous resort. The first FWSA group to ski Big White was the Santa Barbara Ski Club in 1998. In succeeding years, he has brought in clubs from Orange, San Diego, Los Angeles and Arizona Councils.

This year Jim wooed Los Angeles Council (including Pac Rim) to Big White. With 250 strong skiers and snowboarders, LAC was both the first council and largest group to arrive in Big White. We appreciated the extra lengths Jim went through to personally insure that every thing ran smoothly.

Jim's biggest challenge was our luggage (we Americans just travel with way too much baggage). He worked closely with both Alaska Airlines and Air Canada to make sure that everyone got their luggage as soon as possible. In an unprecedented move, Jim arranged to have our skis and boots trucked into and out of Big White.

Jim loves to ski, loves his mountain and obviously loves sharing the secrets of his mountain with all of us. And we appreciate him for all that he has done and applaud him for winning the 2002 FWSA Bill Mackey Award. ■

Test Your Ski Safety

Question—

We all know sun protection on the mountain is essential. Exactly how much UV radiation is reflected from the dry powder characteristic of Western skiing?

- a. 25-30 percent
- b. 40-50 percent
- c. 65-75 percent
- d. 85-90 percent

Answer—

Powdery snow reflects a whopping 85-90 percent of the dangerous UV rays, says the NSAA. Even more reason

to wear a broad-spectrum sunscreen with a high SPF at all times for ultimate protection, taking care to apply it at least 20 minutes before hitting the slopes to avoid rub-off. Remember, even cloudy days require sun defense: 80 percent of dangerous UV rays can pass through clouds.

Answer is d. ■



Just Added

Snowbasin, UT

Home of 2002 Olympic Downhill

Jan 30 – Feb 3, 2003

Thursday – Tuesday (5 nights)

Trip Includes –

- Round-trip air from **SAN and LAX to SLC**
- 5 Nights Odgens's Ben Lomond Historic Suites (dbl. occ.)
 - 5 Full American Continental Breakfast Buffet
- 4 Days Lift Pass for Snowbasin & Powder Mountain
- Private Bus to/from both resorts daily
- Welcome Party • Après Ski Parties • Baggage • Local Taxes

estimated
\$629

Space Limited –

- **\$100 deposit will hold your spot**
- Send to Gene Fulkerson, payable to Pacific Rim
10818 Viacha Dr., San Diego, CA 92124
858-467-9469 or gene@pacificrimalliance.com

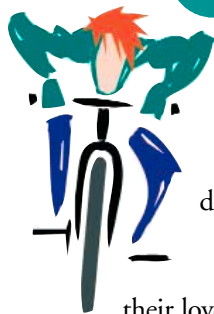


We need to know by Oct. 18 if interested!

Midnight Madness Recap

Saturday, August 17, 2002

by Lisa Felker



The weekend started with a to-die-for gourmet dinner hosted by **Catherine Ohl** and **Gene Fulkerson** at

their lovely home in San Diego. After delicious baked Brie and an ample supply of margaritas and martinis, Gene prepared seared Ahi for the main course and banana flambe for dessert. Thank you Gene and Catherine for a fabulous meal! After a short soak in the Jacuzzi it was off to the hotel to prepare our bikes for the Midnight Madness bike ride.

We added streamers, lights and colorful decorations to our bike.

Vicki Rittenberg, Candy McKnight, Annette Arbuckle, Lloyd Huff, Ben Lupu and myself rode to the start location where we met up with **Sherri Reid** and **Roy**

Faulhaber. David Felker, who opted not to ride, drove to the start to take videos before we took off. I couldn't believe the number of people who turned out for this event— 3,500 according to one report.

There were some very elaborate costumes & lighting effects— it was worth the trip just to see them. There were several other small groups like ours, some in theme costumes, some with kids or pets in tow-behind carts. Then there were those who towed carts just to hold the batteries needed to power all their lights.

The ride started with a mass countdown to midnight, and then in seconds the street was packed with cyclists from centerline to curb. Cyclists ruled the road that night. The continuous stream of bikes made it impossible for cars to cross the route or get out of driveways.

Traffic was stopped at many of the intersections for us to continue through. Throughout the ride we were still riding in a huge pack. But it was great fun seeing all the costumes of those riding around us. All the riders were polite and in good spirits.

Most of us stayed for the costume and lighting contests at the end. There were many very creative ones, but our favorite was the man on a tandem bike with a ghost rider (done in lights) pedaling away with him on the back seat.

The next morning the group met for a late breakfast where we kicked around ideas for next year's costumes. We then went our separate ways — there is a lot to see and do in San Diego! I'm pretty sure that all of us who went this year will be back next year. I hope you'll join us! ■

INDUSTRY

Ski News

by Catherine Ohl

Daily, Non-Stop Air From LA—

Sun Valley Resort will begin its 67th Ski Season with new, daily nonstop, flights from Los Angeles on Horizon Air. It's just two hours and forty minutes aboard a roomy, 70-seat Q400, loaded with savory snacks, Northwest wines and microbrews. Get your tickets for the new flights by calling 1-800-547-9308 or visit www.horizonair.com.

Mahres Rejoin K2—

K2 announced the signing of **Phil** and **Steve Mahre** to a multi-year deal that brings the twin brothers back to the company that sponsored them throughout their illustrious ski racing careers. The Mahres will serve as ambassadors for the brand, assisting in promotions, ski testing, and as a liaison to the international ski racing world.

Durango Development Approved—

Durango Mountain Resort (formerly Purgatory) development project has finally passed muster with the residents of La Plata County. The referendum vote, which favored the development by a 57% majority, was forced by a petition drive by the environmental group, Colorado Wild. However, Durango and Colorado Wild have come to an agreement about how the development should proceed.

Snowbird Gets Expansion Approval—

The United States Court of Appeals upheld a lower court decision that the U.S. Forest Service acted appropriately in approving Snowbird's expansion plans. The decision clears the way for Snowbird to begin construction on Hidden Peak and to go ahead with a land exchange of Mineral Basin between Snowbird and the Forest Service. Construction is not planned to commence before next summer.

Crested Butte Requires Helmets—

Crested Butte Mountain Resort (CBMR) will now require kids ages 12 and under to wear helmets while participating in ski and snowboard school programs.



Snow Summit to Buy Big Bear—

After years of speculation, Snow Summit Ski Corporation, owners of Snow Summit, has executed an agreement with Booth Creek Ski Holdings, Inc., to purchase neighboring Big Bear Mountain Resort. The two southern California ski areas, separated by only a few miles, have long been in competition with each other, with Snow Summit generating, on average, 500,000 skier and snowboarder visits and Big Bear averaging 250,000 to 300,000 visits.

Marmot Buys Marker Ltd.—

Known for its backcountry ski-wear, sleeping bags and heavy duty apparel for ski patrollers and guides, Marmot Mountain Ltd. announced today that it will be moving a little further in-bounds with the acquisition of Marker Ltd., the Salt Lake City-based ski apparel company. Marker Ltd. is the international apparel licensee of binding manufacturer Marker International, and was the official supplier of apparel for the 2002 Winter Olympic Games.

Ski Hall of Fame Inductees —

The U.S. National Ski Hall of Fame will induct **Georgene Bihlman, Hans Gmoser, John P. Litchfield, Dr. Robert Oden, Carrol P. Reed** and **Nicole "Nikki" Stone** on Saturday, September 28, 2002 in Ishpeming, Michigan.



Nikki Stone, the guest speaker at the '98 FWSA Convention, was the first freestyle competitor from any country to have won every major title in aerials including Rookie of the Year, National Aerials Champion, World Aerial Champion, Overall Aerial World Champion, Olympic Gold, World Champion and Overall

Freestyle Grand Prix Champion. Stone retired from competition in 1999. She now runs Podium Enterprises in Park City, Utah, and volunteers for Make-A-Wish, Olympic Aid and the USOC. ■

Fitness— Get Stacked

excerpted from Cindy Hirschfeld, Skiing Magazine

You think you've got sore quads after a full day on the slopes? Imagine the athletes who compete in the annual 24 Hours of Aspen ski race. From one high noon to the next, they try to rack up the most runs in the shortest cumulative time from the top of Aspen Mountain to the bottom. Combine sleep deprivation with the absurd thigh burn of tucking at speeds of up to 96 miles per hour for 230,000 vertical feet, and you've got an athletic phenomenon that makes your average ski day seem like a cake walk.

Needless to say, training for this torture is intense. But the regimen can be toned down a few notches for your own preseason prep. The same rule applies for 24 Hours racers and recreational skiers alike: Everyone wants to go all day long.

Box Jump (power endurance)—

Jump three times from side to side over a low box, landing evenly on both legs; then squat down on one side of the box and pulse up and down three times.



Make it harder by jumping continuously from side to side without stopping to squat and pulse. ■

SAN DIEGO FAMILY PICNIC

Sunday, July 21, 2002

By all accounts, the San Diego Council's First Annual Council Picnic was a huge success. We had close to 200 adults in attendance with about 25 children. It was a fun event. There were lots of folks who helped make this event happen. We would like to first thanks the sponsors – be sure to support their product.

Firestone Brewery –

(www.firestonebeer.com)
Firestone Brewery, located in Paso Robles, donated the cups and two kegs of their very fine microbrews – a pale ale and double barrel ale. More than 500 glasses of beer were poured. Firestone is also know for their award wining wines in the Santa Ynez area. For all who enjoyed the beer, you can purchase their product at Albertson's and fine restaurants all over San Diego.

Sportsmen's Seafood –

(www.sportsmensseafood.com)
Sportsmen Seafood, 1617 Quivira Rd, Mission Bay, located next to the Hyatt Islandia, donated ice, fresh tartar sauce and the fabulous fish that **Gene Fulkerson** deep fried to perfection. The fish was cod and they have the freshest fish in town. If you have any upcoming events or a need for fresh fish, ask for Mario or Joe and they'll take good care of you. FYI, the rumor that Gene caught the fish that morning is a bit of a stretch. We served hamburgers and fish

from noon until the last burger was eaten at about 2:30 PM. **Sal Adona**, ably assisted by **Chuck De Freitas**, did a great job BBQing. The beer ran out about 3 PM. The only food left was the veggie burgers. We had plenty of potato salad, cookies, soda and water for those really late comers. Volleyball, croquet and bocce ball was played throughout the day.

The Silly Games–

The highlight of the afternoon was the silly games contest. We had 13 Teams participating in such competitions as Frisbee Toss, Bucket Filling, Croquet, 3-Legged Race and (the most fun to watch) Cross-Dressing Relay.

The winning team was Don Diego's "Das Komet" Team 12 captained by **Connie Smith** with **Julieanna, Philip Jr., Philip, Sr., Melody** and **Crystal**.

Congratulations and we hope you enjoyed your bottle of Champagne.

The Committee–

Special thanks to the Picnic Committee for going to their clubs and getting their members out to the picnic– **Mike & Eileen Sanford, Sal Adona & Nora Lancaster** (North Island), **Janet Hanson & Rusty Etzel** (Torrey Pines), **John Tyson** (San Diego), **Cheryl Penton** (Action), **Roy Heilpern** (Don Diego), **Christine Cuprys** (Torrey Mesa), **Steve Simpson** (Solar), and **Catherine Ohl, Gene Fulkerson & Patricia Ortiz** (Pacific Rim). ■



LOS ANGELES HAPPENINGS

SNOW GALA

2 November 2002, 6 PM

Marina City Club

4333 Admiralty Way

\$50

in Advance ONLY

Evening Events —

- No Host Bar
- Champagne Reception with hors d'oeuvres
- Elegant Sit Down Dinner
 - Salmon, Prime Rib or Vegetarian with Glass of Wine
- Man & Woman of Year Awards
- Dancing • Door Prizes • Valet Parking

Raffle Tickets \$1.00 each —

- Grand Prize: Trip for 2 to Winter Park, Feb. 1-8, 2002
 - Winner need not be present

For Tickets & Reservations —

Catherine Ohl, 858-467-9469 or ohl@acatmeowz.com



Nov. 21-24, 2002

LA Convention Center - West Hall
1201 S. Figueroa, LA

Contact Catherine at ohl@acatmeowz.com or call 858-467-9469 to sign up for LAC booth. Free admission with minimum 4 hours worked. Must pay own parking.

Thursday, Nov. 21	3 PM to 11 PM
Friday, Nov. 22	3 PM to 11 PM
Saturday, Nov. 23	11 AM to 11 PM
Sunday, Nov. 24	Noon to 6 PM

SKI, BOARD, AND RACE WEEK

DECEMBER 13-22, 2002

MAMMOTH MOUNTAIN

Packages Available from \$390 - \$865 —

- 5 Days Lessons (Mon-Fri, 5 hours a day)
 - Ski, Board and Race with 2 days video
- 7 or 9 Nights On-Hill Lodging with Lessons

Information & Registration —

Please call between 7:30 - 9:00 AM or 7-9 PM
John Funtsch (310) 545-9349 or John Catozzi (858) 672-1407

SAN DIEGO ACTIVITIES

SKI SWAP & SALE

OCTOBER 26, 2002, 10 AM - 4 PM

Ranch Craft Ski & Sport Shop

4620 Alvarado Canyon Rd., SD • 619-280-0304

Club Sale, Thursday, Oct. 24, 5-8 PM —

- 5% off on Marked Down "New Items" for Ski Club Members
 - 10% off for Swap Volunteer Workers
- Hosted Happy Hour with Cocktails & Nibbles

Ski Swap —

- Earn up to 90% of your asking price on swap items
 - 10% for San Diego Council, 3% on items sold by credit card
- Check-in Swap Items Oct. 25, 5-8 PM, Oct. 26, 7-9 AM

Swap & Sale, Saturday Oct 26, 10 AM - 4 PM —

- New "In-Store" items Marked Down
- Terrific Sale & Swap Items Outside
- Live Auction
- Mountain Reps available to answer questions
- Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Snacks, Drinks for Sale

Winter Gala

2 Nov. 2002, 5:30 PM

Reuben E. Lee

Paddle Wheel boat on Harbor Island

Evening Events —

- No Host Bar
- Elegant Sit Down Dinner
- Man & Woman of Year Awards
- Dancing til you drop non-stop fun

\$32

in Advance ONLY

For Tickets — Catherine Ohl, 858-467-9469 or ohl@acatmeowz.com



Nov. 8-10, 2002

Del Mar Fairgrounds

This year's Snow Jam promises to be hotter than ever! Exhibitors and Promoters from Ski and Snowboard Retailers, Hard & Soft Goods, Manufactures, Winter Resorts, Airlines, Skate / Surf / Snow Lifestyle Companies, Winter Activity Publications, Adventure Tour & Travel Operators & More will be there!

Friday, Nov. 8	4 PM to 10 PM
Saturday, Nov. 9	10 AM to 6 PM
Sunday, Nov. 10	10 AM to 6 PM

Pacific Rim Alliance announces

SESTRIERE

8 - 16 March 2003

(Saturday Departure, Sunday Arrival)

Basic Package to Include—

- NON-STOP Air from LAX to Frankfurt, Frankfurt to Milan, via Lufthansa
- Complimentary In-Flight Drinks, Meals, Movies
- Luxury Coach Transfer from Milan to Sestriere
- Seven Nights Luxury Lodging at 4-star Principi di Piemonte
- Private Bath, Double Occupancy
- Seven Breakfasts and Seven Dinners
- The Usual Parties, Souvenirs and much MORE!

Price Does Not Include—

- US and Foreign Departure Fees, Fees and PFCs (est \$96)

Options Available at Additional Cost—

- Post Trip to Genoa and Corsica
- Excursions from Sestriere
- Return Extensions for Up to 30 Days

For Reservations & Information—

- Deposit Due Now—
Send \$400 (Check Payable to "Pacific Rim") to—
Gene Fulkerson @ 10818 Viacha Dr., San Diego, CA 92124
- For More Information, contact—
Gene Fulkerson at 858-467-9469 (eves)
Catherine Ohl at ohl@acatmeowz.com



\$1,529

Cancellation Policy Will Apply

Must be a Member of Pacific Rim

Central Holidays

SESTRIERE STATISTICS

Top Elevation:	9,033 ft
Village Elevation:	4,320 ft
Vertical drop:	4,683 ft
Marked Pistes:	146 Piste — Beginner 29% Intermediate 50% Advance 21%,
Total Piste:	128 miles
92 Ski-lifts:	3 cable cars, 10 Quads, 3 Triples, 13 Doubles
Have to Ski	World Cup Downhill Course
Cross country Trails:	16 miles

Sestriere, Italy—

Sestriere was built for skiing, with high, north-west facing slopes. The resort's international profile was raised when they hosted the 1997 World Cup Championships, but that's nothing compared with the coming 2006 Olympics.

Sestriere is at one extreme of the big Franco-Italian Milky Way area. The local slopes have two main sectors— Sises, directly in front of the village, and the more varied Motta, above Borgata to the north-east and 720 feet higher.

Genoa, Italy—

There is something refreshingly rough-edged about Genoa (Genova in Italian), Italy's most important commercial port. In contrast to the genteel resorts along the neighboring coast, the narrow streets of the old town are the haunts of sailors.

With its natural harbor and the mountains to protect it, Genoa rose to prominence as a sea-based power. During the 16th century, the Doria family cemented Genoa's importance and also proved astute patrons of the arts.

Bastia, Corsica, France—

Bastia is the second largest city on the Mediterranean island of Corsica, known to the Ancient Greeks as Kallisto - "the most beautiful." Corsica is one of the three largest islands in the Mediterranean.



Bastia, the bustling economic center of Corsica, has a host of attractions such as the 17th century church of St. Jean Baptiste and the Chapel of the Conception which were magnificently decorated in the 18th century, as well as the Museum of Corsican Ethnography in the Genovese Governor's Palace. ■

Pacific Rim Alliance
presents

Ski The SOUTH ISLAND NEW ZEALAND

Mt. Hutt ♦ Cardrona ♦ Treble Cone ♦ Tasman Glacier ♦ Remarkables ♦ Comet Peak



31 July - 12 August 2003

(10 Glorious Nights)

\$1639

Basic Package to INCLUDE:

- NON-STOP Air from LAX to Auckland via Air New Zealand
 - Complimentary In-Flight Drinks, Meals, Movies
- Air from Auckland to Christchurch & Queenstown to Auckland
- Luxury Coach Transfer from Christchurch to Queenstown
- Ten Nights Luxury Lodging, Private Bath, Double Occupancy
 - Two Nights at the 4-Star Copthorne Hotel in Christchurch,
 - Two Nights at the 4-Star Edgewater Resort in Wanaka
 - Six Nights at the 4-Star Gardens Parkroyal in Queenstown
- The Usual Parties, Souvenirs and much MORE!

Cook Island Post Extension: 11-16 August 2003 (est) \$599

- Five Nights at the 4-star Edgewater Resort on the Beach
 - Luxury Lodging, Private Bath, Double Occupancy
 - Hot Breakfasts Daily
 - BBQ Dinner and Native Dance Performance
- Air from Queenstown to Rarotonga via Air New Zealand
- We cross the international dateline – leave Tuesday, arrive Monday

Prices Do NOT Include:

- US and Foreign Departure Fees, Security Fees and PFCs
 - US taxes to be collected with Final Payment (est. \$US 45)
 - NZ taxes to be paid in Auckland or Queenstown (est. \$NZ 25)
 - NZ taxes to be paid in Rarotonga (est. \$NZ 21)

Among the Extra Options Available at Additional Cost:

- Heli-Skiing, Bungy Jumping, Para-Penting, Jet Boats, Golf, MORE
- Return Extensions for Up to 30 Days (from \$50)

For Reservations & Information:

- \$200 Deposit Due Now—
Send (Check Payable to "Pacific Rim") to:
Gene Fulkerson @ 10818 Viacha Dr., San Diego, CA 92124
- For More Information, Call Gene Fulkerson @ 858-467-9469

Cancellation Policy Will Apply

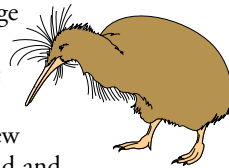
Must be a Member of Pacific Rim

Holidays

New Zealand 2003

The arrangements for Pacific Rim's New Zealand 2003 trip have been finalized. It's going to be another fabulous trip down under. We have planned ten days (and nights) in the South Island of New Zealand with an optional five-day extension to Mt Cook.

The basic New Zealand package is \$1639 and Mt. Cook will be less than \$599 (plus airport & departure taxes). We will be flying NON-STOP via Air New Zealand from LAX to Auckland and continue onto Christchurch. After Queenstown, we will be flying to Cook Islands or home. **We will be crossing the international dateline which is why when we go to Rarotonga, we leave on the 12th and arrive on the 11th.**



Sign Up Today as Space Limited—

Since space is very limited, if you are interested in joining us this summer you must sign up now. A deposit of \$200 for New Zealand is due at this time. You must be a member of Pacific Rim.

New Zealand Itinerary—

We'll spend two nights in Christchurch where you will have the opportunity to ski Mt. Hutt, board the Tranz Alpine Train or simply enjoy this very English city. Next we will be transported by private coach to the elegant Edgewater Resort in Wanaka allowing easy access to skiing at Cardrona, Treble Cone, Harris Mountains or Tasman Glacier.

Our coach will then take us to Queenstown where we will be staying for six nights in the center of town. There we'll have an opportunity to do everything from ski, to bungy jump, to white water raft, to any of the crazy adventures Queenstown is famous for.

Cook Islands, Rarotonga—

We are offering an exciting post extension to Rarotonga, one of the Cook Islands. The Cook Islands are located in the heart of the Polynesian Triangle, flanked on the west by Kingdom of Tonga and Tahiti on the east. Rarotonga is the largest of the fifteen islands scattered over some two million square kilometers that make up the Cook Islands.

The Cook Islands enjoy a pleasantly warm and sunny climate all year round, with an average temperature of 75° F. While there you can enjoy scuba diving beyond the reef, sailing, windsurfing, kayaking, cruises, 4WD safari tours, scenic flights, horseback riding along the beach and through the mountains, mountain biking and scootering around the island. ■

SNOWBOARD STRIP

Buying new equipment can be scary, especially if you aren't sure what to look for. At the very least, let the **Snowboarder Buyer's Guide** serve as an introduction to become acquainted with what's out there. Everyone has a personal opinion on



what works best but there's really no right or wrong when it comes to gear. Different products work for different people. It is more important to become familiar with the equipment's general technical specifications, key

terminology and major differences. Knowing specific data, gathered straight from the source, is what you need to know to match your ability and style to the boots and boards available.

Spend some time testing and researching the product—demo different types of equipment and talk to people on the slopes. Look at the options available where you buy equipment. Can you apply rental fees toward purchases? Can you return items? What's the shop's warranty policy? Are they authorized dealers? Smaller specialty shops usually take pride in customer service and product awareness, and might be able to help where the larger chain stores fail. ■

Membership Application 2002-03

ALL Pacific Rim Alliance attendees must be a member to participate in one of our trips. Our membership year is from 1 July 2001 through 29 September 2002.

To join the Pacific Rim Alliance, fill out the following and send with your check (payable to Pacific Rim Alliance) to:

MAUREEN BURROWS
5266 LA CAÑADA BLVD, LA CAÑADA, CA 91011

NAME(S): _____

HOME ADDR: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

E-MAIL ADDR: _____

HOME PHONE: _____

WORK PHONE: _____

FAX LINE: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____

Indicate Membership (Includes membership in FWSA)

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

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, death, property damage or loss, resulting therefrom.

Signature

Date

Signature

Date

Pacific Rim Trip Sign-Up Form

(You must be a current member to sign up for this trip— include Dues and Membership Application if not a member)

PRINTED NAME(S) _____

STREET ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____

ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____

FAX _____

E-MAIL _____

DEPOSIT DUE: \$100/ person for Snowbasin **OR** \$400/ person for Sestriere, Italy **OR** \$200/ person for New Zealand

- Snowbasin 2003
 Sestriere 2003
 New Zealand 2003

—Send this Form with Your Deposit Made out to Pacific Rim Alliance to:

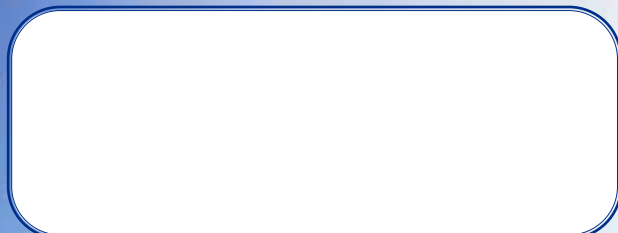
Gene Fulkerson, 10818 Viacha Dr., San Diego, CA 92124

Pacific Rim Alliance

P.O. Box 420552
San Diego, CA 92142



First Class Mail



Fall - 2002

PACIFIC RIM

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PRESIDENT .. Catherine Ohl

MEMBERSHIP .. Mo Burrows

TREASURER ... Patricia Ortiz

TRUSTEE.... Bernie Stanton

TRAVEL Gene Fulkerson



E-Mail us at info@pacificrimalliance.org

Mission Statement

The PACIFIC RIM ALLIANCE is a non-profit organization dedicated to the appreciation of skiing, snowboarding, sight-seeing, photography, travel, public affairs and civic awareness. The Alliance is further oriented to the building of international relations among skiers, snowboarders and sports organizations throughout the Pacific Rim. The Alliance is a member of San Diego Council, Los Angeles Council, Far West Ski Association.

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, Jimmie Heuga Center and Olympic & Junior Racers.

For Information & Forms, Contact-

- Catherine Ohl 310-538-5435 (voice e-mail)
ohl@acatmeowz.com (e-mail)
- Gene Fulkerson 858-467-9469 (eve)
858-565-6721 (fax)
gene@pacificrimalliance.org (email)
- Maureen Burrows 818-790-3576 (eve)
818-790-3411 (fax)
LuvMO@aol.com (e-mail)