

# BAY AREA SNOW SPORTS COUNCIL



A member of the Far West Ski Association  
and the National Ski Council Federation,  
representing 30 ski and snowboard clubs

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### BAC Meetings:

7:30pm at the New Englander, San Leandro

Sept 14— General Meeting  
Sept 21— Board Meeting



Paul Vlasveld  
President

Just when you think we are still in summer, the next ski season is just around the corner.

There are some amazing events and travel opportunities being planned by the Bay Area Snow Sports Council (BAC).

### General meeting

The general meeting is your opportunity to meet other Club reps, the latest information about the travel opportunities, upcoming events, and the events other clubs are planning. This is the time to start thinking about who you should nominate for your Club's Man and Woman of the Year, and entering the FWSA Council newsletter, website, Charities, and History competitions.

Club Reps, you can also pick-up the 2016-2017 FWSA membership cards at the general meeting

### Travel

Even though it is summer, do not forget to start planning your next travel trip by signing up for one of the following fantastic Bay Snow Sports Council (BAC) mini-trips:

- FWSA Ski Week at Breckenridge, CO – Jan 28-Feb 4, 2017  
**We already have 53 signed-up.**
- Breckenridge is a great town to be in with the lodging close to the town and the ski lifts.  
Plus plenty of activities for our non-skier/boarder friends.
- Park City, UT – Feb 4-Feb 9, 2017 – This has been BAC's most popular mini-trip. The cost without air is just \$854.
- BAC International Trip – Feb 26-Mar 12, 2017 -- Innsbruck/Munich/Garmisch. See the details in the newsletter. There is plenty of space available for what should be a great trip.
- FWSA also has several trips including an international trip to St. Anton, a Dive trip later this summer, and a Sun Peaks mini-trip.

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## Past Events

- August 13<sup>th</sup> 2016 -- 11<sup>th</sup> Annual A's game and Fireworks Show – We had another successful and fun event. All who attended had a great time. As usual the fireworks were fantastic. We raised over \$800 for Achieve Tahoe (DSUSA). This event would not be possible without the hard work of all the volunteers with a special thanks to:
  - Norm Azevedo – Norm for coordinating the event with the A's to get us the fantastic seats.
  - Norm Glickman – At the last minute, Norm was able to get some great raffle prizes from Vail Resorts
  - Bill Silveira – Modesto Ski Club -- Organized a fantastic BBQ.
  - Vail Resorts – For providing the great raffle prizes.

## Upcoming Events

In the coming months, we will have some fantastic events that have become Bay Area Council of Ski Clubs signature events.

- Nov 7<sup>th</sup> 2016 – **8th Annual Winterfest Celebration Meeting** at The Englander in San Leandro. We invite Club Presidents, BAC Reps & Travel Directors to this meeting. Due to limited space, we must stand fast on how many can represent each club. The evening will begin with a Silent Auction / Travel Carousel & Raffle. Then we go into the next room for dinner and presentation of all winners. The popularity of this event continues to grow with our Industry Partners. **There will be a flat rate (TBD) for everyone who attends this meeting. You will receive entrance, 1 drawing ticket & dinner.** This is the Bay Area Council of Ski Club's event to attend. We are looking for volunteers to help make this another successful event.
- November – Ice Hockey – Our last Sharks hockey event was a fun event that helped raise much needed support for the FWSA Athletic Scholarship fund. Watch for more information about this hockey fun day.
- October/November -- The SnowBomb Shows are going to be here soon! Oct 29 & Oct 30, 2016 at San Jose Convention Center and Nov 5 & 6, 2016 at Ft. Mason in San

Francisco. The BAC will once again have a booth to share information about our clubs and why people should become members. Cathy Wilson has created a great trifold template for clubs to use to promote their clubs at the ski shows. We will need some enthusiastic club members to help out at the ski shows. Since this is a BAC Booth, please be sure to direct people to a club in their local area!

June 2017 – Far West Convention – Boise, Idaho

## Racing

The racing season is also just around the corner. Start planning your pre-season training and exercise.

Remember, racing is for everyone from beginner to expert. All ages are welcome.

Racing is a great way to meet other club members.

If you are interested in racing check the Open league and Singles league websites and your club racing team. The schedule for the 2016-2017 season has been published.

- ♦ Open league -- <https://sites.google.com/site/openleaguerracing/home>
- ♦ Singles league -- <http://slracing.org/index.html>

As always, I would like to thank all the volunteers and board members that contribute to the continuing success of the Bay Area SnowSports Council (BAC).

Please do not hesitate to contact me with your ideas, concerns, and suggestions. Remember Bay Area Council of Ski Clubs (BAC) is your Council.

THINK SNOW and FUN

Paul Vlasveld  
Bay Area SnowSports Council (BAC) President

# Calendar of Activities

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SEPTEMBER</b></p> <p>(nothing posted)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>OCTOBER</b></p> <p>(nothing posted)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NOVEMBER</b></p> <p>7 Winterfest, Englander, San Leandro</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>THINGS TO COME</b></p> <p>2017: 1/28-2/4 FWSA Annual Ski Week, Brecken- <b>BAC CLUB PRESIDENTS AND REPRESENTATIVES MEETING</b> THE ENGLANDER, SAN LEANDRO AUGUST 8, 2016</p>
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## DIRECTOR REPORTS

### **BAC CLUB PRESIDENTS AND REPRESENTATIVES MEETING**

The Englander, San Leandro  
August 8, 2016

President Paul Vlasveld called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. and welcomed all in attendance. He asked all attendees to introduce themselves.



Karen Davis  
Secretary

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Paul Vlasveld -

Paul reported on the FWSA Board meeting he recently attended:

--FWSA is introducing the monthly "Hot Flash," which will give clubs the opportunity to share with other clubs events and trips they have scheduled or are planning. All clubs are encouraged to use this feature.

--FWSA asked all Council Presidents to remind their clubs about the Awards Program and encourage more nominations for the awards announced at the annual FWSA conventions. Clubs should be thinking about who they want to nominate for a prize, like a ski trip (Environmental Award winner gets a trip to Telluride; Safety Award winner gets a trip to Aspen; Club winner of the Charities Award gets a cash award to give to their favorite charity.). We also want to simplify the awards program, including the judging/selection of judges.

--The 2018 FWSA Ski Week will be at Banff, Alberta, Canada. That resort was the first choice

submitted by the most councils. Steamboat, CO came in second. Since there is no lodging at any of the 3 ski areas (Lake Louise, Mt. Norquay, Sunshine Village), participants will have to use the shuttle services provided from town or their lodging which will drop them off at the lift ticket windows of each resort. There will be more rooms available with 2 beds.

--The next FWSA Convention will be in June, 2017 in Boise, Idaho. The Intermountain Council/FWSA will be going all out in preparation. There will be a raft trip and a visit to a local ski resort, among other things planned. Paul suggested that some of us may want to be there the entire week to take advantage of all the outdoor activities they have to offer.

--Igor Goulaevsky, President of the San Francisco Ski Club, asked to be recognized. He mentioned that his club will be celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2017. It had several name changes since 1957, its first year, starting out as "Swingers Only" then "Singles Only" before moving on to its current name.

--Paul reminded us that the next general meeting is September 12, 2016; the next Board meeting is August 15, 2016.

**Past President:** Dennis Heffley-- Not present

**Officer Reports:**

**Secretary:** Karen Davis-- Not Present. We dispensed with the reading/approval of the minutes for the July 13th general meeting. Norm Glickman is taking minutes of this meet-

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ing.

**Public Affairs:** Mike Ferketich - Not Present

**Communications:** Dennie Warren - Dennie thanked all who have sent flyers and pictures to her on club trips and events for the newsletter. She also reminded us that when submitting committee reports, if we are sending multipage reports for the newsletter in PDF format, each page must be sent as a separate document. This does not apply to reports in DOC format. DOC is the preferred format.

**Website:** Cathy Wilson - No news to report.

**Benefits:** Sandy Kiyomura - Sandy reminded us that the discount promotion of the Ski Service Card offered by Granite Chief (Truckee, CA) will soon be expiring. Ski Service Cards are available for \$200 worth of services and repairs (at a cost of \$100). You can team up with another person (or family members), and get \$400 worth of services and repairs for a cost of \$200.00. (You can purchase the card online at: <http://granitechief.com/store/ski-service-card>)

**Communities / Ski Foundation:** Harry Davis - Not Present

## Upcoming Events:

1. A's Game, BBQ: August 13, 2016: Norm Azevedo-- 75 tickets sold; 2 are available if anyone wants to go (already paid for). 70 will be at the BBQ. BBQ is from 4:00 to 5:30 pm in Parking Lot A (not lot B previously announced), North side of the coliseum, near section A5 of the lot (this is a change from what was previously announced). Apparently, our reservation for a space in Lot B was given away when we did not follow up. There will be a raffle drawing for clothing and equipment donated by VAIL RESORTS, thanks to Ryan Dohnal, National Group Sales Manager. Raffle tickets will be \$5 for one; \$3 for 10.00. Sandy volunteered to sell them at the BBQ. It is an early evening game start at 6 pm and will be followed by a fireworks show. We must have our stuff cleaned up and put away by 5:30 pm, since the spaces we take up for the BBQ are parking spaces for vehicles. We have perfect seats for watching the game and

fireworks (on the first base side).

2. **Pebble Beach:** To be Determined

3. **Snowbomb Shows:** San Jose Convention Center: Oct 29 – 30, 2016, 10am – 6pm  
San Francisco Fort Mason: Nov 5 – Nov 6, 2016, 10am – 6pm  
Sacramento Cal Expo Center: Nov 12 – Nov 13, 2016, 10am – 6pm

Paul will be putting out more information regarding the need for volunteers.

4. **BAC Winterfest:** At the Englander starting at 6:00 pm, November 7, 2016 (in place of Monday general Meeting for November). Clubs are limited to a max of 3 attendees (Usually the club President, Travel Director, and BAC Rep.). We need to send out invitations to all resorts we would like to have there to present information.

**Travel:** Paula (for Gail Burns)-

1. FWSA Ski Week at Breckenridge, CO: Jan 28 -Feb 4, 2017 - There are only 62 spots available for this trip. We already have 35 signed-up. There is some "difficulty" in filling room requirements of some folks who are signed up.

2. Park City, UT -- Feb. 4 - 9, 2017: Cost is \$854 for the ground package (air not included). Epic pass holders get a \$334 discount, and if you purchase an Epic pass thru Sports America, you get a \$50 credit. If you want to go send in your deposit to reserve a spot.

3. Innsbruck, Garmisch, Munich-- Feb.26 - March 12, 2017: Norm Azevedo who is putting this trip together said he is putting together an activity program for non skiers. Flyer is in the Newsletter. Get your deposit in now if you want to go. It is fully refundable if you change your mind before 10/1/16.

4. There is a FWSA international trip to St. Anton am Alberg, 3/12 to 3/19, with an extension to Vienna and Budapest.

5. FWSA is offering a mini ski trip to Sun Peaks-Cahilty Lodge with ski in-ski out accommodations to British Columbia Canada from March 21-26th, 2017.

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6. Mentioned was the FWSA England - Ireland Adventure: Sept. 11 - 22, 2016; optional bike tour extension from 9/22 to 9/26/16.

7. There is a Dive trip (no details provided).

**Membership:** Cathy Wilson - Club presidents and Reps. are reminded that the 2016-17 BAC Club registration forms which are used to update club officer and contact information for both BAC and FWSA are due. Only 8 clubs have submitted their updated information to date: Berkeley Ski Club, Castro Valley Ski Club, Fire and Ice Ski Club, Golden Gate Top Of The Hill Gang, Inskiers Ski and Snowboard Club, Modesto Ski Club, North Bay SnoWonders Ski Club and Rusty Bindings Ski Club. Information provided by clubs is used to update the club's profile information in the 2016-17 Far West Skiers Guide. Far West membership cards are also available and Cathy gave out a supply of cards to those club Reps. present at the meeting. She also reminded us that the cards are for club members only and not guests. BAC club yearly dues (\$75) will be due in November. A request will be sent out with more information later, but clubs can send in their dues early.

**Treasurer:** Keith Wilson- The two BAC checking accounts are doing quite well. One account is for travel; the other is for all other expenses (general). All bills have been paid. He will be discussing one questionable bill with Paul.

**Industry Liaison:** Norman Glickman mentioned that NSAA (National Ski Area Association) announced that skier/snowboarder visits were up in the 2015-16 season, to 53.9 million visits. NSAA has given seven ski areas top honors for their 2015-16 marketing programs. NSAA presents the awards to member resorts with successful marketing programs that ultimately help grow the sports of skiing and snowboarding. No California or Nevada resorts were among the winners. They were from the states of N.Y., Vermont, New Hampshire, Colorado and New Mexico. The seven categories awarded were: Best Use of Mobile Technology: Cannon Mountain Aerial Tramway & Ski Area, NH; Best Social Media Campaign: Peek 'n Peak Resort, NY; Best Direct Marketing Program: Stowe Mountain Resort, VT; Best Use of Video Market-

ing: Pats Peak Ski Area, NH; Best Family Campaign: Ski Apache Resort, NM; Best "Bring a Friend" Campaign: Sunlight Mountain Resort, CO, and Best Overall Marketing Campaign: Taos Ski Valley, NM.

Norm threw out a question to the audience: Which State has the most ski areas? Answers included California, Colorado and Utah. Norm then reported that the National Ski Area Association website shows that for the 2014-15 season, the most recent data available, out of the 37 resorts with at least one ski/snowboard resort, California with 29 resorts ranked 5th, Colorado with 30 ranked 4th, and Utah with 14 ranked 12th (in a tie with Washington). So, who were the leading States? New York: #1 with 51 areas; Michigan: #2 with 44 areas; and Wisconsin: #3 with 31 areas. This started a lively discussion.

Norm mentioned that USSA (United States Ski and Snowboard Association) will be applying the new men's FIS GS radius requirement for sanctioned USSA GS races to reduce confusion and potential extra costs for ski team members who meet the age requirements affected by the change. This started a lively discussion of the impact of the 30 meter GS ski radius change on negotiating gates on a GS course. This change does not apply to our league racing which does not fall under USSA jurisdiction.

**Marketing:** Position open

**Race Chairs:** Neither of the race chairs were present. Paul reported that the 2017 league race schedules are out. Races will not be held during the 2 weeks of the FWSA Ski Week and BAC mini trip to Park City. Far West finals are April 1-2, 2017 at Mammoth Mountain. "USSA will also require the use of helmets that meet FIS standards for all sanctioned GS races held under USSA for competitors age 14 and older. This will apply to the Finals at Mammoth. But, expect all resorts that hold FWSA/Council league GS races to require use of helmets meeting FIS standards, even if the race is not sanctioned under USSA, to avoid confusion of resorts' race departments when hosting races. Those helmets have extra padding in the front to prevent/minimize head injuries from frontal crashes. Helmets meeting FIS standards will have a sticker stating so."

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting and was seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Norman C. Glickman  
Minute taker fill in for Karen Davis

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Hello Skiers and Riders!

First: The hot news that broke back in August: **Vail Resorts Inc.** is set to buy Canadian ski company **Whistler Blackcomb Holdings Inc.** in a massive \$1.39-billion deal according to an early August article in USA Today. The deal is expected to close this fall, when Vail Resorts is set to acquire 100 percent of Whistler Blackcomb. Shareholders of the company will receive \$17.50 per share in cash and 0.0975 shares of Vail Resorts common stock, for a total value of \$27.38 per share. Both board of directors have approved the deal, along with 25% of Whistler Blackcomb shareholders. Whistler/Blackcomb will still be included on the Mountain Collective pass for the winter of 16/17, and will not be added to the Vail Resort's Epic pass this coming season.



Norman Glickman  
Industry Liaison

Second: **Sugar Bowl** has announced the new Director of Mountain Operations, **Jenna Prescott**, who will oversee all on-mountain departments from grooming to lift maintenance to ski patrol, etc. Jenna has worked in the ski industry for 18 years and held executive-level roles at Park City Mountain, Canyons Resort, American Skiing Company and Mount Snow and brings breadth and depth of industry knowledge to Mountain Operations.

**September** is the month that many ski/snowboard resorts start their countdown to opening day. You may have noticed that some resorts started their countdown in mid August. The big question is: What's this coming winter going to be like? Here is what the 2017 Farmer's Almanac has to say: "Be forewarned that exceptionally cold, if not downright frigid weather will predominate over parts of the Northern Plains, Great Lakes, Midwest, Ohio Valley, the Middle Atlantic, Northeast, and New England this winter." Their long-range weather predictions also suggest milder-than-normal temperatures will prevail over the Western States and an active storm track from the Pacific will deliver a dose of above-normal precipitation across the Western States.

Should we take these long term predictions seriously? Meteorologist Joel Gratz

(opensnow.com) has this to say about long term weather forecasts: "----They stink – Nearly all forecasters agreed that last season we would see one of the strongest El Nino events of the last 50 years, with decently predictable effects on the winter storm track over North America. We did in fact experience one of the strongest El Nino events, but unfortunately, most forecasters did not correctly predict the overall weather pattern, which was supposed to provide a lot of rain and snow for the southwestern US and drier-than-normal conditions for the northwestern US. What actually happened was that much of the west saw close to or above average snowfall, and the southwest experienced near to below average snowfall. The season did start strong in the southwest, and in mid January, the snowpack was well above average. However, the second part of the season became much drier, and by April 1, 2016, the snowpack was well below average." The lesson we learned was to take long range forecasts "with a grain of salt". Keep your skis or boards ready to go and your vehicle prepared for winter travel on a moment's notice for those unpredictable sudden snow storms in the mountains.

If you subscribe to the various ski/snowboard magazines, the late summer issues feature "buyer's guides" to help you compare all the new equipment and clothing that will be on the racks this coming winter. Two such guides are the Annual Buyers Guides from Ski Magazine (ski.net) and Freeskier Magazine. Skiing Magazine also puts out a Buyer's Guide. Freeskier focuses on the park and pipe and backcountry crowd, while Ski Magazine focuses on downhill resort skiers/riders.

I must apologize to all you riders out there for not providing any information on snowboard equipment, although much of the outer-wear covered in Freeskier is applicable to riders. Unfortunately, I do not subscribe to snowboarder specific magazines. And the only one I could locate online may not have their most recent issue out yet (snowboarder.com). I am putting out an appeal to all riders that I am greatly in need of an assistant or partner to keep track of and report on what's going on in the world of snowboarding. This will greatly insure more complete coverage of snowsports. This holds true for the members of the Nordic community. I would love to have someone join the Industry

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Liaison group so that we have at least the 3 major means of traveling on snow covered.

Last month I covered the release of 2 new free ride/ski films debuting this fall. Not to be outdone, Warren Miller's "HERE, THERE & EVERYWHERE" will be the 67th feature film from Warren Miller Entertainment on tour this Fall (<http://www.skinet.com/warrenmiller/warren-millers-here-there-everywhere>). It commemorates Stein Eriksen (1927 - 2015) and includes the big air at Boston's Fenway Park (yes, that Fenway Park!), the steeps of Squaw Valley, the big lines of Cordova, Alaska, plus lots more. "The original ski bum and filmmaker Warren Miller himself is in an on-screen interview as he spins tales of the past, reminding us that through the years, these films have truly taken audiences "Here, There & Everywhere."

Tentative 2016 Northern California Tour Dates are listed below:

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Palace of Fine Arts Theatre, SF, Nov 2 - 3  
Crest Theatre, Sacramento, Nov 4- 5  
The Leshner Center, Walnut Creek, Nov 10  
Castro Theatre, SF, Nov 11  
Marin Center, San Rafael, Nov 12  
Amador Theatre, Pleasanton, Nov 13  
California Theatre, Berkeley, Nov 16  
Rio Theatre, Santa Cruz, Nov 17  
Fox Theatre, Redwood City, Nov 18  
Heritage Theatre, Campbell, Nov 19  
Squaw Valley Conf.Ctr./Olympic Village Lodge, Olympic Valley, Nov 25- 26, Dec 10  
Harrah's Lake Tahoe, S. Lake Tahoe, Dec 2- 3  
Go to: <http://www.skinet.com/warrenmiller/events/ca> for complete details on the shows scheduled for all of California and the rest of the country. (All info is subject to change. Ticket Presale: Sept 8-11, 2016. Save \$4 on National Tour Tickets bought online.)

The Mountain Collective has expanded its lineup of resorts with the addition of Telluride, Colorado, and Revelstoke, British Columbia, for the 2016/17 season. You get 28 days of skiing or snowboarding – two unrestricted days – at each of the 14 resorts around the world, plus you get 50% off any additional days with no blackout

dates. That's 50 % off the full price lift ticket for your age category. Passes are on sale for a limited time: \$409 (adult) and \$99 (child). These are all the resorts that you get as a Mountain Collective pass holder: Alta/Snowbird, Utah; Aspen/Snowmass, Co; Coronet Peak/The Remarkables (New Zealand); Jackson Hole, Wy; Mammoth Mtn., Calif; Revelstoke, BC; Ski Banff/Lake Louise/Sunshine, Alberta; Squaw Valley/Alpine Meadows, Calif; Stowe, Vt; Sun Valley, Calif; Taos, NM; Telluride, Co; Thredbo, Australia; and Whistler/Blackcomb, BC.

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Protect Our Winters (POW) is a partner of the Mountain Collective, and committed to protecting our mountain playgrounds by uniting the winter sports community in the fight against global climate change. MC pass holders each receive a complimentary one-year membership to POW. As a member you

will receive a POW sticker, membership card and a subscription to their monthly eNewsletter. More importantly, you'll be lending your voice to a chorus of winter sports enthusiasts advocating to protect our winters.

M.A.X. Pass: What is the MAX (Maximum Alpine Experience) Pass? It is a conglomeration of 32 resorts in North America which includes 10 new resorts for the 2016-17 season. The pass gives you 5 days of unrestricted access at each resort. M.A.X. Pass pricing (good thru Oct. 12, 2016): Adult (Ages 18+): \$649; Teen (Ages 13-17): \$449; Youth (Ages 6-12): \$349; Child (Ages 5 & Under): \$39.

Here is a breakout of the resorts included by State: (an asterisk denotes any new resort added for 2016-17)

Alaska: Alyeska\*

California: Boreal Mountain, Mountain High\*

Canada: Cypress\*, Mt. Tremblant, Blue Mountain

Colorado: Copper Mtn, Crested Butte\*, Eldora\*, Steamboat, Winter Park, Utah: Brighton, Solitude\*

Maine: Sugarloaf, Sunday River

Massachusetts: Wachusett\*

Michigan: Boyne Mt., Boyne Highlands

Minnesota: Buck Hill\*

Montana: Big Sky

Nevada: Lee Canyon

New Hampshire: Loon Mountain, Mt. Sunapee\*

New Jersey: Mountain Creek

Oregon: Mt. Bachelor

Vermont: Killington, Okemo\*, Pico Mountain, Stratton

Washington: Crystal Mountain, The Summit at Snoqualmie

West Virginia: Snowshoe

If you have a season pass to a local resort belonging to M.A.X. (in Northern California there is only one resort--Boreal), and you want to visit other member resorts, get the "M.A.X. Add-On" to a qualifying season pass

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to give you access to the other 31 mountains. Add-On Cost: Adult (Ages 18+): \$299; Teen (Ages 13-17): \$249; Youth (Ages 6-12): \$199; Child(Ages 5 & Under): \$39. (Note: At Boreal, the only level season pass that qualifies for an add-on is the "All Access Pass.")

That's all for this month, folks. Let me know what you would like to see covered in future newsletters.

Your Industry Liaison, Norm



## Travel Time

**Trivia Question: Which European destination has snow conditions similar to our 2016 Ski Week destination, Telluride?**



Gail Burns  
Travel Director

BAC has space available on our exciting International Ski Trip to Innsbruck, Garmisch and Munich on February 26-March 12, 2017! The trip, to both Austria and Germany, is a great value for two full weeks of skiing and sightseeing! **Innsbruck Austria has 9 separate ski areas with an annual snowfall and ski conditions that are very similar to Telluride** and at a lower elevation level, too! Strolling après ski in the fascinating historic city will keep both skiers and non-skiers entertained. Garmisch, Germany has an extensive ski area with optional day tours. Norm Azevedo is our experienced BAC trip leader. There will be a Guide available at the hotel each night to assist with your ski and trip planning. Singing German beer drinking songs at the Hofbrauhaus and a farewell dinner at the Ratskeller are some of the highlights in Mu-

nich!. By sending in an initial deposit you can secure your spot on this exciting trip!

You have the wonderful opportunity to ski one, two, or three weeks with all your fellow BAC and FWSA skiers! By taking a quick train ride, you could easily connect with the FWSA Ski Week to St. Anton Austria on March 12-19, 2017. There is also a Vienna and Budapest extension opportunity from March 19-26th.

Our BAC FWSA Ski Week trip to Breckenridge on January 28-February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 has only 5 spots left! The Park City trip that follows Breckenridge has plenty of space available to hit the great powder slopes of Utah! Paula Kinahon will be happy to sign you up for this 5 or 7 day trip options starts from February 4-12, 2017.

The Labor Day weekend marks the end of summer so it's time to start planning your 2017 winter ski trips! One of my favorite activities on Labor Day is volunteering at my community-run Annual Kings Mountain Art Fair off of Skyline Boulevard. Hope to see you there! Enjoy your long weekend!

Gail Burns  
BAC Travel Director



ACHIEVE TAHOE



# FOAMFEST

**SATURDAY : SEPT. 3 : 2-6PM**

**CRAFT BEER TASTING  
AND LIVE MUSIC**

**WITH :**

**THE MOTHER HIPS  
JENNI CHARLES & JESSE DUNN**

**TICKETS :**

\$30 adv online purchase | \$35 at the door | Kids under 12 Free | \$10 donation (music only, no beer)

**LOCATION :**

KT Base Bar Sundeck at Squaw Valley

**INFO :**

[www.AchieveTahoe.org](http://www.AchieveTahoe.org) | 530-581-4161

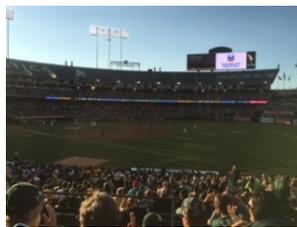
**BAC at the OAKLAND A's**  
Aug. 13, 2016  
(tailgate/bbq—game—FIREWORKS!!!)



Scrumptious eats at the tailgate/  
bbq — not to mention com-  
raderie second to none!!!!



Exciting game — although  
the A's lost!!!!



Highlight of the evening —???  
**FIREWORKS!!!!!!**

## **Oakland A's vs. Seattle, Tail-gate & Fireworks - Outstanding**

The barbeque before the "A's" Game went without a hitch. The Modesto Ski Club was very well organized. There were hamburgers, hotdogs, and Portuguese linguisa, even sautéed onions and mushrooms by Jim Sylvia. All the condiments that you could imagine were available to put on your hamburger, making it mile high with great goodies. In addition, they had salad, cookies, watermelon and plenty of drinks. There was much more, but I need to now mention all the people that helped out. They included Jim Sylvia, Cheryl Hardy, Pat & Cheryl Kelly, Marci Boucher, Kim Moss, Ron & Pam Allen and Ron's nephew Kaleb, Steve Woodward, Chuck Hennings, Bill Silveira, and two ladies from San Francisco that cut up the watermelons; all were the amazing volunteers! Many extra thanks to Bill Silveira, who put this all together. We truly appreciate the Modesto Ski Club stepping up to take over the barbeque.

The raffle was amazing. Vail Resorts sent ski jackets, canvas travel bags, stadium chairs and other great stuff. We were all excited to see if we could win some of the ski jackets, goggles or stadium chairs. Thanks to Sandy Kiyomura and Mary Azevedo for selling raffle tickets and Paul Vlasveld for calling out the winners.

It was an exciting game. It went back and forth with the scores, so it was fun to sit and watch who would win in the end. Unfortunately, Oakland almost tied the score in the bottom of the 9<sup>th</sup> inning, but lost. The fireworks were based on Star Wars, so they were just beautiful, as usual. In fact, during the game, Star Wars characters appeared in the stands and were also featured with some of the baseball figures.

A great time was had by all, with its wonderful, organized, parking lot barbeque that featured great food. Many thanks to all, who made this the eleventh annual barbeque, game and fireworks the best ever and we made over \$800 for ACHIEVE-Tahoe (formerly Disabled Sports USA Far West).

Mary Azevedo

## BAC Representative Duties

Each year after clubs hold their annual election, we always have a few new BAC representatives. For new representatives and also the returning ones, we hope that it will be helpful for you to review the BAC representative roles and responsibilities as we kick off the 2016-2017 ski season.

Basically the role of the BAC representative is to serve as the primary focal point for your club for communications between BAC and your club. The role contains the following duties:

1. Represent your club at the monthly BAC General meeting.
2. Inform your club of upcoming BAC events.
  - a. Trips
  - b. Charity Events such as the Annual A's Baseball Game
  - c. Inter-club and other events
3. Inform BAC of any of your upcoming club events that you would like publicized throughout the council.
4. Work with your club communications people (newsletter editors, web-site manager, etc.) to make the BAC Newsletter information available to your members.
5. Update new officer information after club elections in June of each year – fill out officer update form (found on BAC website) and send to BAC Membership director.
6. Give FWSA membership cards to your membership director for distribution to your club. Cards can be obtained from the BAC membership director.
7. Publicize Far West Events to your club members and your club board.
  - a. Trips
  - b. Far West Convention - Coordinate with your President on the registration process for your club. Attend if possible.
8. Publicize the Ski Shows in the Fall to your club:
  - a. Ensure your club has a marketing tri-fold (template on [www.skibac.org](http://www.skibac.org))
  - b. Help out manning the BAC booth if possible or recruit club members to help.

There are many benefits to being a BAC Representative for your club, not the least of which is being able to meet new people who share a common interest – you will find you will make many new ski/board friends and will know many people when you attend various BAC and FWSA events. You will be amongst the first to hear about interesting trips, events and ski/board industry changes. You will also be invited to events that have limited openings for attendance such as the annual BAC Winterfest. At Winterfest, you will have a chance to bid on exciting trips and meet industry reps who will be glad to answer all your questions about their resorts, current status and future changes.

Welcome to BAC and we hope to see you at many meetings and events over the coming year!

BAC at the SJ Barracudas vs SD Gulls  
March 26, 2016  
(BAC took to the ice!!!)



Ready.....  
SET.....



(our daring-do  
BAC President  
Paul Vlasveld)

“Whatever  
ya got..... I  
CAN TAKE  
IT —  
BRING IT  
ON!!!!!”



All warming  
up for the  
deadly  
shot.....





# FEBRUARY 4-9, 2017 **PARK CITY, UTAH**

## **GROUND PACKAGE INCLUDES:**

- Five nights at the DoubleTree Hotel by Hilton
  - Double Occupancy - private room upgrade available
- Four day lift pass to Park City/Canyons & Deer Valley
  - Epic Pass Holders & Non skiers deduct \$334
  - \$92 Deer Valley tickets available for Epic Pass Holders
- Airport Transfers from SLC (\* must meet transfer schedule)
- Welcome and mid week group event
- Group discounts on equipment rentals and lessons
- \$50 trip credit with Epic Pass Purchase from Sports America

Purchase at: [www.sportsamerica.com/epic-fwsa](http://www.sportsamerica.com/epic-fwsa)

### **DOUBLETREE BY HILTON**



**Ground Package  
starting at:**

**\$854** per person  
Trip option pricing available  
via online registration site

## **TRIP LEADERS & SIGN-UP:**

Paula Kinahon: [pkinahon@gmail.com](mailto:pkinahon@gmail.com)

Online Registration: [www.sportsamerica.com/online/BAC\\_parkcity](http://www.sportsamerica.com/online/BAC_parkcity)

**Bay Area Snow Sports Council Presents**  
**Park City, Utah Ski Trip**  
**Feb 4 – 9, 2017**  
**\$854 without air**

Come join the BAC for Peak Season Skiing at Park City, Utah

The BAC is now accepting reservations for the annual Park City ski trip coming February 2017. A deposit of \$200 will secure your spot.

**Package includes:**

- 5 Night's lodging at the DoubleTree Hotel formerly The Yarrow (double occupancy)
- 4 Day Ski Pass at Park City / Canyons and Deer Valley Resorts
- Ground Transfers include Baggage Handling and Tips
- Daily Hot Breakfast
- Welcome Party

Register today: [http://www.sportsamerica.com/online/BAC\\_parkcity](http://www.sportsamerica.com/online/BAC_parkcity)

**Contacts:**

Trip information and general questions contact

**BAC Park City Group Leader**

Paula Kinahon at 510 910-2707 / [pkinahon@gmail.com](mailto:pkinahon@gmail.com)

Assistance with online registration and payments contact

Sports America Representative Sara Clemons at 800 876-8551 ext. 125

**Epic Pass Promotion:**

- Anyone who purchases an Epic Pass (any variety) from Sports America and attends the BAC Park City Trip will receive a \$50 lodging credit.
- Anyone who purchases an Epic Pass (any variety) from Sports America but does not attend the Park City Trip will receive a \$25 credit good toward any other 2017 BAC trip or event.
- Anyone who receives a \$50 lodging credit for the FWSA Breckenridge trip is ineligible for credit toward Park City lodging.

**Additional trip information:**

- Epic Pass holders and non-skiers deduct \$334.
- Ski pass includes two days at Park City / Canyons, one day at Deer Valley, and the 4<sup>th</sup> ski day of participant choice.
- Epic Pass holders may purchase single-day Deer Valley lift tickets for \$92.



**Bay Area Snow Sports Council**  
**FWSA Ski Week at Breckenridge, CO**

**Jan 28 - Feb 4, 2017**

Breckenridge is one of Colorado's premier ski resorts with amazing ski terrain and an historic Victorian mining town. Breck's 2,900 acres with 34 lifts encompass five interconnecting peaks and will satisfy all levels of skier's desires. Located at the base of the ski resort, our deluxe ski in-ski out lodging also offer a complimentary shuttle to get you anywhere you need to go! World class skiing, (avg. 300 inches of snowfall per year), fun nightlife in historic town, and group party/activities will make this an exciting and memorable trip!

**Registration Opens May 9, 2016**

**\$200 Signup Deposit**

**Lodging and Amenities\* Packages range from \$1,040 to \$1,215**

**Prices do not include lift ticket and transportation**

\*Amenities include:

- 7 Nights Lodging with Ski-in-Ski-out options
- Welcome Party
- Hosted Mountain Tour
- Scavenger Hunt
- Pub Crawl
- Council Night Dinner and Dancing
- Mountain Picnic
- Racing
- Banquet with Dancing
- Farewell Après Party
- Optional Vail Ski Day

**Lift ticket prices**

5-Day Adult Ticket	\$375
5-Day Senior Ticket	\$332
6-Day Adult Ticket	\$409
6-Day Senior Ticket	\$357

~  
 Purchase Epic Pass through Sports America for \$50 lodging credit.  
<https://www.sportsamerica.com/epic-fwsa>

**Optional Group air Itineraries and Pricing to be announced**

**Registration and Information Contact:**

**Gail Burns, BAC Travel Director**

[gailburns@earthlink.net](mailto:gailburns@earthlink.net) (650) 255-7883

**123 Phillips Lane, Woodside, CA 94062**

Must be a Member of Far West Ski Association or an affiliated ski club

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



**FWSA ANNUAL SKI WEEK REGISTRATION FORM**  
**BRECKENRIDGE, COLORADO, January 28 – February 4, 2017**

**Please print clearly:** *The information you provide is for the exclusive use of FWSA & will not be sold for solicitation.*

**PRINT NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Nickname** \_\_\_\_\_

**Street Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **City:** \_\_\_\_\_

**State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE: Home:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Cell / Work:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ **E-Mail Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Birth (M/D/Y):** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/19\_\_\_\_ (We need your birth date for racing and lift tickets)

**Male** \_\_\_ **Female** \_\_\_ **I am a Skier** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ **Snowboarder** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ **Non-Skier or Boarder** \_\_\_\_\_

**Ski Club:** \_\_\_\_\_ **FWSA Direct Member:** \_\_\_\_\_

**FWSA Council:** Arizona, Bay Area, Central, Intermountain, LAC, Orange, Northwest, San Diego, Sierra Direct Member

**REQUIRED EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION – Person not at ski week**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Contact Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**OTHER INFORMATION--OPTIONAL**

**Spouse/Significant Other at Ski Week? Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**List Food Allergies and/or drug allergies (optional):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Medical Conditions (optional):** \_\_\_\_\_

**List Over-the-Counter/prescription drugs taken regularly (optional):** \_\_\_\_\_

- *I have been advised that the FWSA trip package does not include travel insurance and I have the option to purchase my own Travel Insurance.*
- *I am aware that I am financially responsible for myself whether or not I purchase Travel Insurance.*
- *I am aware it is my responsibility to obtain all legal documents required for travel including passports and that my passport must be valid at least 6 months after trip.*
- *I have received a copy of the FWSA Conduct Policy.*
- *I further certify that I'm a current FWSA Club or Direct member and that the information I have provided on this form is accurate.*
- *I am aware that FWSA may use pictures taken at Ski Week in the ski week presentation, on their website, and in any promo DVD's to market other FWSA trips. I have the option to sign a form to deny the use of my photo.*

**X** (Required) \_\_\_\_\_  
Ski Week Participant Signature OR Parent/Legal Guardian for Minor Date

*Complete the Information below if you Plan to Race at Ski Week (including Council Challenge)*

**Age Group:** Junior (0-17 Years Old) \_\_\_ Open (18--49) \_\_\_ Vet (50--64) \_\_\_ SVet (65 & up) \_\_\_

**Legends Classes (No Skill Levels):** (75 & up) 1<sup>st</sup> grp on 2<sup>nd</sup> course \_\_\_\_\_ 1<sup>st</sup> grp on 3<sup>rd</sup> course \_\_\_\_\_

**Skier Race Class:** SO \_\_\_ S1 \_\_\_ S2 \_\_\_ S3 \_\_\_ S4 \_\_\_ S5 \_\_\_ S6 \_\_\_ S7 \_\_\_ S8 \_\_\_ S9 \_\_\_ S10 \_\_\_

**Snowboard Upper** \_\_\_\_\_ **Snowboard Lower** \_\_\_\_\_ **Strikes?** Yes No

**Club I will race for:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Bay Area Snow Sports Council**  
**FWSA Ski Week at Breckenridge, CO**

**Jan 28 - Feb 4, 2017**

**Trip Preference Sheet**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: (hm) \_\_\_\_\_ (wk) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Club Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: M F

**Lodging Options:**

**All Lodging Ski-In-Ski-Out**

Please indicate your first, second, and third lodging choices. Lodging is limited and will be assigned in order of registration date. Prices, not including transportation and lift tickets, are per person based on double occupancy.

<b>Order of Preference 1st, 2nd, &amp; 3rd</b>	<b><u>Lodging Name</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Price Per Person</u></b>	<b><u>Single Supplement</u></b>
_____	Beaver Run Resort	Hotel Room QQ	\$1,215	\$850
_____	Beaver Run Resort	2Bed / 2Bath Condo Q / QQ	\$1,115	\$750
_____	Beaver Run Resort	2Bed / 2Bath Condo Q / Q	\$1,115	\$750
_____	Village at Breckenridge	2Bd/2Ba* Condo Bedding may vary	\$1,040	\$675

**Ski Pass Options:**

	<b><u>Price</u></b>
_____ 5-Day Adult Ticket	\$375
_____ 5-Day Senior Ticket	\$332
_____ 6-Day Adult Ticket	\$409
_____ 6-Day Senior Ticket	\$357

- Purchase Vail Resorts Epic Pass through Sports America for \$50 lodging credit.  
<https://www.sportsamerica.com/epic-fwsa>

Preferred roommate: \_\_\_\_\_ Beds: One \_\_\_\_\_ Two \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Condo Mates: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you want FWSA Group Air and Ground Transportation? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred local airport: San Jose \_\_\_\_\_ SFO \_\_\_\_\_ OAK \_\_\_\_\_

If purchasing own air, ground transportation is \$90. Your arrival and departure times must be coordinated with FWSA bus schedule. Subject to availability of space on the bus.

**Payment Schedule:**

Due Now	\$200 Initial Deposit
Jul 1, 2016	\$400 Installment
Sept 1, 2016	\$400 Installment
Nov 1, 2016	Balance Due

**Cancellation Policy:**

- ***Cancellation must be received in writing.***  
 Payments are fully refundable through June 30, 2016.  
 \$100 fee applies to cancellations received Jul 1 - Aug 31, 2016.  
 \$400 fee applies to cancellations received Sept 1 - Oct 31, 2016.  
 No refund for cancellations received after Oct 31, 2016. Partial refund may apply if suitable replacement is found.

**Send this 'Trip preference sheet' to:**

**Gail Burns, BAC Travel Director, 123 Phillips Lane, Woodside, CA 94062**  
**[gailburns@earthlink.net](mailto:gailburns@earthlink.net), Cell: 650 255-7883**

# BAC Innsbruck, Garmisch and Munich Ski Trip

*February 26 - March 12, 2017 (2 weeks - Sunday to Sunday)*

*\$1,730 land double/occ, \$560 more for single*

*\$1,172 Round trip airfare between SFO & Munich*

**Innsbruck, Austria:** The Capital of the Tyrolian Alps, fascinating old city, home of 1964 & 1976 Winter Olympics, 2012 Youth Winter Olympics, surrounded by 9 separate ski areas. Optional day trips are available to Venice, Castles, Swarovski Crystal World, and more.  
Package Includes: 6 nights with breakfast and dinner @ Hotel Grauer Bar.



**Garmisch, Germany:** Garmisch and Partenkirchen were separate cities until combined for the 1936 Winter Olympic games. Today, Garmisch has a slightly more modern feel while the fresco-filled, cobblestoned streets of Partenkirchen offer a glimpse into times past. Garmisch includes: 4 nights with breakfast and dinner @ Garmisch Mercure Hotel; Optional day tours are available.



**Munich, Germany:** Capital of Bavaria, home to centuries-old buildings and museums; known for celebration and cavernous beer halls, including the famed Hofbräuhaus, founded in 1589. In the walkable Old Town, Marienplatz is a central square containing landmarks such as Gothic Neues Rathaus (town hall), with a popular glockenspiel show. Munich includes: 3 nights with breakfast buffet @ Munich Holiday Inn, and farewell dinner at the Ratskeller in Marienplatz.

Land also includes: All transfers between airport and hotel, and hotel to hotel via private coach. Drivers and

bus guides tips are included. Innsbruck and Garmisch hospitality hosts will be available each evening before dinner. All must have valid passport that at least extends 6 months beyond return date of trip. See trip details for non USA passports Those choosing a "Land only" package are responsible for meeting our arrival and departing flights at the airport - if they do not appear at the appointed place and time as our tour group, they are responsible for their own ground transportation. Each traveler is responsible for their own travel insurance that can cover trip cancellation, interruption, private property and luggage damage and other travel items. We highly recommend travel insurance.

**For questions and trip details, email Norm Azevedo at [nazevedo@sbclglobal.net](mailto:nazevedo@sbclglobal.net) or call 925.944.9816. Insure your space send a \$250 pp deposit now. Complete refund is available until October 1, 2016. Make checks to Bay Area Snow Sports Council (BAC) and send to Norm Azevedo, 901 Sousa Drive, Walnut Creek, CA 94597**

cst #2050870-40

# FAR WEST SKI ASSOCIATION

"The Voice of the Western Skier"



*Presents the 2017 Mini Ski Trip*

## SUN PEAKS—Cahilty Hotel & Suites

BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA

March 21 to 26, 2017

*Nancy Greene's Cahilty Hotel & Suites has been awarded for:*

**"Best Hotel Service"**

Sun Peaks Resort, British Columbia, Canada, is the second largest ski resort in Canada.

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**Package prices range from \$355 to \$585**

Price does **NOT** include air & airport ground transfers

**Included:**

**5 nights lodging (double occupancy) at Cahilty Hotel & Suites, Sun Peaks  
Resort 3 or 4 day lift tickets @ Sun Peaks Resort**

**Ski in/Ski Out**

**Welcome Party**

**Farewell Dinner/Party**

**Optional activities:**

**Cross Country Skiing**

**Snow-shoeing**

**Snow-mobiling**

**Dog sledding**

*Nancy Greene's*  
**CAHILTY**  
HOTEL & SUITES  
AT SUN PEAKS RESORT

**Contact Gloria Raminha**  
661-800-8229 or 661-829-5996  
garski2011@gmail.com

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

For detailed sign-up and registration information, go the [www.fwsa.org](http://www.fwsa.org) and click on the "Travel" tab.

## FWSA 2017 Int'l Ski Trip to St. Anton am Arlberg, Austria

March 12-19, 2017 (SFO & LAX Group air departs Mar. 11<sup>th</sup>)

### *Optional Extension or Stand Alone trip to Vienna and Budapest March 19-26, 2017*

#### Air Transportation Information:

- **BASIC trip:** Estimated SFO air = \$1186.00\* Estimated LAX air = \$1153.00\*
- **BASIC & Extension trip:** Estimated SFO air = \$1282.00\* Estimated LAX air = \$1189.00\*
- **Stand Alone trip Air will be booked individually** – contact Debbie Stewart for price quote  
(Alternative airport arrangements may be made and deviations 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.*

**It is HIGHLY recommended to use FWSA air transportation!**

#### St. Anton Land Package Information:

The St. Anton land package pricing is based on a minimum of 84 people and the Extension pricing is based on a minimum of 34 people – subject to change if requirements are not met. All local taxes are included. The pricing is based on the Exchange Rate of 1.08 US Dollar vs. 1 Euro – subject to change.

**Land Package at Hotel Schwarzer Adler** (Not including Air) = **\$2185.00 – \$2960.00 pp Dbl. Occupancy**  
Single Supplement rooms, Jr. Suite rooms are available – quantities are limited.

**Pricing based on a min. of 84 people & current exchange rate of 1.08 US Dollar vs. 1 Euro which is subject to change**



*Sankt Anton am Arlberg, commonly referred to as St. Anton, is one of the most beautiful settings in the Tyrolean Alps which is frequently listed as one of the top ski resorts and après ski locations. With 97 state-of-the-art cable cars, chairlifts and T-bars taking you to the top at 9,222 ft., yielding a vertical drop of 4,944 ft. and its longest run of 6.3 miles. It boasts interesting slopes for all levels of skiers and is one of the historic resorts in the "Best of the Alps". It also offers 41 kilometers of cross country skiing, telemarking, snow shoeing and much more. St. Anton is part of the Arlberg area of ski resorts which means your*

*Arlberg Ski Pass invites you to ski several resorts including St. Anton, St. Christoph, Stuben, Lech and Zurs. The village itself is a charming pedestrian resort accented with specialty stores, sport shops, restaurants, bars and après ski locations.*



#### 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 throughout the hotel
- 5 Dinners at the hotel – 2 nights **on your own** to experience the local Austrian restaurants of your choice.
- Welcome/Orientation and Farewell Party
- Gratuities to bus drivers, transfer guides and restaurant staff
- Afternoon tea including pastries, cakes, tea or coffee at the Hotel Schwarzer Adler
- Après ski party – details to be provided
- Optional day tour – details to be provided

Make checks out to: **Far West Ski Association (FWSA)**. Please reference "FWSA 2017 AUSTRIA Trip" on each check.

Send to: **Debbie Stewart**  
**FWSA VP of Int'l Travel**  
**430 S. Church St.**  
**Visalia, CA 93277**  
[FwsalntItrvl@prodigy.net](mailto:FwsalntItrvl@prodigy.net) or cell: 559/737-0882

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## Extension to Vienna, Austria & Budapest, Hungary March 19-26, 2017

Approx. Land Package – Dbl. Occ. = \$1170.00pp or Single Supp. = \$1330.00pp

**\*\*We are also offering Vienna & Budapest as a *Separate Trip!***  
*We will fly you from the US to meet the group in Vienna on March 19th\*\**  
*Individual air transportation will be made and cost to be provided*

**Stand Alone Separate trip** - Approx. Land Pkg. (Not including Air transportation)

Double Occ. = \$1205.00pp\* or Single Supp. = \$1355.00pp\*

\*Contact Debbie Stewart to make arrangements for your "Stand Alone" transportation.



*Experience Local Culture*



**FREE TIME  
TO EXPLORE!**



*Enjoy Regional Cuisine*



### Vienna & Budapest Trip includes:

- Transfer between St. Anton hotel and Vienna in private motor coach with English speaking guide.
- 4 night's accommodations at the 4 Star Hotel Regina in Vienna - <http://www.kremslehnerhotels.at/en/hotel-regina-vienna/>
- All local taxes including city hotel taxes.
- Breakfast buffet daily at both hotels.
- Dinner at Hotel Regina evening of arrival.
- ½ day city tours in Vienna.
- Full day tour to Baden with Wine Tasting.
- Visit to the Spanish Riding School for morning Lipizzaner horse training.
- Grand Tour of Schonbrunn Castle.
- Transfer between Vienna and Budapest.
- 3 night's accommodation in Budapest the 4 star Hotel Museum – <http://www.museumhotelbudapest.com>
- Dinner at Hotel Museum Budapest evening of arrival.
- ½ day city tours in Budapest.
- Farewell dinner cruise along the Danube in Budapest.
- Transfer to Budapest Airport with English speaking guide for return flight.

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# FWSA 2016 England & Ireland Adventure Trip



**Main Tour: September 11-22, 2016,  
Optional Bicycle Tour Extension: Sept. 22-26, 2016**



**MAIN TOUR Estimated Group Air from SFO or LAX = \$1434.00pp (min 10 per airport)**

**(All air transportation will be booked individually for those going on the Main Tour and Bicycle Extension)  
Approx. Land Package:**

**\$2999.00pp – Double Occupancy; \$3849.00pp - Single Supplement (min 24)**

**Main England & Ireland trip and Bicycling Tour - Approximate Land Pkg.**

**Dbl. Occ. = \$3889.00pp or Single Supp. = \$4919.00pp**



*Visit historic locations*

*Discover the picturesque  
scenery of England, Ireland,  
and Wales*



*Tour London and  
Dublin, then explore on  
your own!*



*Gain unforgettable  
memories*



## England and Ireland Trip Includes:

- Accommodations in all locations
- 16 meals, 10 Breakfasts and 6 Dinners
- Tour of London including famous sights such as Buckingham Palace, Westminster Abbey and more!
- Visit to William Shakespeare's birthplace at Stratford-upon-Avon
- Discovery of the mysteries of the pre-historic structure of Stonehenge, time to explore Bath - famous for its Roman Spas and Georgian style and a scenic drive through Wales featuring its beautiful countryside
- Ferry to Rosslare, Ireland from the Welsh town of Fishguard
- Tour of the House of Waterford Crystal factory
- Opportunity to climb Blarney Castle and kiss the famous Blarney Stone
- Journey to see the Ring of Kerry and opportunity to browse traditional handcrafted Irish goods
- Irish jaunting car ride
- Visit to Molanna Dairy Farm and Cabra Castle
- Tour of Guinness Storehouse, including a pint for you to enjoy
- Tour of Dublin, featuring the Bank of Ireland, O'Connell Street, Phoenix Park and more!
- Free time to explore in both Dublin and London

**Make checks out to: Far West Ski Association (FWSA). Please reference "FWSA 2016 ENG/IRELAND Trip" on each check.**

**Send to: Debbie Stewart  
FWSA VP of Int'l Travel  
430 S. Church St.  
Visalia, CA 93277**



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