

BAY AREA SNOW SPORTS COUNCIL



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

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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BAC Meetings:

Meetings held at Don Jose's
Mexican Restaurant, 3430 Village
Dr., Castro Valley

October — general meeting via
Zoom 6:30—8pm.



Paul Vlasveld
President

Just when you think we are still in summer; the next ski season is just around the corner. It is time to get your edges sharpened and update your equipment.

I hope everyone had a great summer.

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

General meeting

The October meeting will be a virtual meeting:

Virtual meeting – 6:30-8:00pm

Here is the October general meeting Zoom meeting id:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85378476575?pwd=1696901400000>

Club Reps, you can contact Benelia Terry, the Membership Director, to have the membership cards mailed to you.

We are also looking for a Treasurer who can help BAC to do the accounting, write the checks, and maintain the books. We use Quickbooks to maintain the books. Most of the financial activity occurs from Dec through June.

I would like to thank Cathy Wilson for the successful transition of the BAC website to Club Express. Club Express offers many advantages including less effort for any future webmaster. Club Express has excellent support. The cost is comparable to the prior hosting service which was much more limited.

Travel

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 Steamboat Springs, CO – Jan 27 — Feb 4, 2024.

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BAC Mini-Trip – Whitefish, MO – Mar 3-9, 2024.

FWSA also has several trips including an international trip to Madonna di Campiglio, Italy. For more information, go to the new BAC website www.skibac.org or https://www.fwsa.org/content.aspx?page_id=22&club_id=623165&module_id=334800

91st Annual FWSA Convention

The 2024 Far West Ski Association Convention will be held June, 2024, Reno, NV. It will be co-hosted by BAC and Sierra Council. Stay tuned for details later this year as I will be forming a planning committee. The theme is “Altitude With Attitude”.

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 2024 race schedule –

Northern California FWRA Sanctioned Races

CLINIC - January 12 Friday - Alpine Meadows (cost TBD)

Race 1 - January 13 Saturday morning - Alpine Meadows Giant Slalom

Race 2 - January 13 Saturday afternoon - Alpine Meadows Giant Slalom

Race 3 - February 16 Friday - Northstar Giant Slalom
CLINIC - March 15 Friday - Alpine Meadows (cost TBD)

Race 4 - March 16 Saturday morning - Alpine Meadows Slalom

Race 5 - March 16 Saturday afternoon - Alpine Meadows Slalom

Race 6 - March 22 Friday - Northstar Giant Slalom

Far West Championships

April 3-4, 2024 Mammoth Mountain

Open league -- <https://sites.google.com/site/openleagueracing/>

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

OCTOBER

7-14 FWSA 12th Annual Scuba Dive Trip, Little Cayman

NOVEMBER

(no events posted)

DECEMBER

(no events posted)

THINGS TO COME

For more info/details go to skibac.org [Calendar of Events]

2024:

1/27-2/3 FWSA Ski Week to Steamboat, CO

2/25-3/3 FWSA Int'l Ski Week to Madonna Di Campiglio, Italy

3/3-9 BAC Mini Ski Week to Whitefish, MT

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The Ski season is here and the perfect time for your club to think about honoring a volunteer within your club who helps to make your club a success.



Harry Davis
BAC Public Affairs/
Communities

FWSA's Volunteer of the Year program is coming up. In June 6-9, 2024, FWSA will honor each Council's Volunteer of the Year at the FWSA Convention at the Atlantis in Reno, Nevada.

From the FWSA Website - What Honorees Need to Know

Award covers the past FIVE years (2019-2024). Older information will not be considered. Your resume will be returned if you exceed this time constraint. Emphasis remains on grass roots participation at the club and council levels.

The Volunteer of the Year candidate from each council will be reimbursed for one night at the FWSA convention hotel at the early bird convention rate. The reimbursement will be made after attending the convention. Candidates must submit a copy of their hotel bill statement and an FWSA check request form. A check request form will be provided. The application is available at www.fwsa.org.

Please send the name of your club's Volunteer to me by **January 31, 2024**. BAC would like to recognize one named Volunteer from each member club. BAC is excited that your club may choose to be involved with BAC and the FWSA Volunteer of the Year program.

Every specified club Volunteer and guest and club president will be invited to a dinner in **February, 2024** (location and date to be determined). Please let me (harrykaren@comcast.net) know about attendance, in order to have the appropriate space for dinner and friendship.

Harry Davis,
BAC Public Affairs/Communities
925-768-4903

Bay Area Council of Ski Clubs Exclusive Mini- Ski Trip to Whitefish Montana



Janet Spencer
BAC Industry
Liaison

BAC is offering an exclusive **6 night Mini Ski trip to Whitefish, Montana from March 3-9, 2024**. We have reserved 15 rooms with 2 queens or one king bed (30 spots) at **Grouse Mountain Lodge**, a comfortable, cozy hotel with a large hot tub, indoor pool, outdoor fire pits, day spa, gym, full-service restaurant/bar and a coffee bar. Our BAC skiers will have a **daily breakfast** prior to catching one of the **BAC four daily free shuttles** directly to **Whitefish Ski Resort** only 15 minutes away. There are also cross country trails at the Glacier Nordic Center right next door to the lodge. We will have an **optional day tour to Glacier National Park** with snow-shoeing & nordic options. Our **BAC Group Air flights** are reserved to and from SFO and Kalispell (via Seattle) on Alaska Airlines with ground transportation to our lodge.

Whitefish is a small quaint town outside of Kalispell, Montana. It is a charming ski town with many great restaurants, local brewpubs, art galleries and eclectic shopping. Just hop on the free shuttle from our lodge into town for your apres ski activities. We will have a **Welcome Party & a mid-week Group Dinner** as well as no-host happy hour events!

The Whitefish Ski Resort (independently owned) has an average annual snowfall of 300 inches! The ski resort is also famous for its "Snow Ghosts" and stunning lake views. There are 500 miles of groomed runs, 14 lifts and 3000 acres of skiable terrain. Whitefish Ski Resort is not on the IKON or EPIC passes but we have excellent **BAC Group Ski Ticket** prices ranging from \$26-\$75 per day for Adults, Seniors & Super Seniors.

Online registration needs to be completed with Sports America. We have only 30 spots available so please complete your registration soon! Please see the attached **flyer for prices**. Follow this link: (there is a **preview mode to look at all the options** too)
<http://bac-whitefish.sat.tours/>

Once you have registered online, you can pay a \$200 deposit by check or credit card (online) to Sports America. There is a 3% fee when using a credit card. Mail the check to: 1700 County Rd, Suite B, Minden, NV 89423 Attn: Sara Clemons.

We recommend trip insurance. Final payment is due Dec 1, 2023. Must be a member of a BAC Club or a Direct BAC member prior to sign-up.

Direct questions to Janet Spencer, Trip Leader.....jspen52@gmail.com (off the continent between Oct 14 and Nov 5)

or Gail Burns, BAC Travel Director.....gailb3098@gmail.com

Janet Spencer,
BAC Industry Liaison

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Travel Time:

Our exclusive BAC 2024 Mini Ski Week to Whitefish, Montana from March 3-9th, 2024 already has 12 skiers signed up! We will have only 6 rooms available since 6 people have booked a single supplement. Please go online to Sports America to register for this trip. There will be an optional day trip to Glacier National Park that is being organized by Janet Spencer, our Trip Leader. You can secure your spot by sending a \$200 check made out to Sports America or pay by credit card. (3% fee) This is a great area for both downhill & cross country skiing & snow shoeing! Whitefish Resort is known for awesome views & great snow with legendary "snow ghosts"!



Gail Burns
BAC Travel
Director

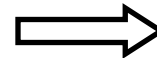
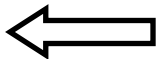
The BAC 2024 FWSA Ski Week to Steamboat

from January 27-February 3rd, 2024 is FULL! Please contact Karen Albrecht, our trip Leader, at iplaythird@yahoo.com if you want to get on the waitlist in case of a cancellation to join our BAC Group.

The FWSA 2024 North American Mini Ski Trip to Copper Mountain, Colorado, from March 17-22, 2024. This five night trip has both condo & hotel room lodging options and Copper Mountain is on the IKON pass. You can sign up with Sports America. There are many optional activities including: sledding, ice skating, mountain coaster, NASTAR racing, snowshoeing, sleigh rides and a snow maze.

Best,

Gail Burns
BAC Travel Director



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WARREN MILLER FILM TOUR
Announcing our 74th annual film, ALL TIME.

We're getting ready to celebrate 75 years of Warren Miller films and this anniversary is too big to fit in a single film, or even a single year, so we're building a two-year celebration of Warren's legacy.

Get ready to go deep into the stuff of which snowy dreams are made. Celebrate the birth of ski towns like Sun Valley and Aspen, icons and innovators like the original hotdoggers, and the most outlandish locations ever skied. Then, catch new footage featuring Maine's finest athlete of today, Donny Pelletier, and meet the next generation at Woodward Park City. Through it all, Jonny Moseley and special guests will share their own stories to bring us to this moment.

It's all going down this fall as we kick off our two-year party for 75 seasons on snow. Don't miss out! Go to Warren Miller website to [Sign up](#) for email updates on the film tour. Information and schedule from Warren Miller website, warrenmiller.com.

THE LESHER CENTER FOR THE ARTS

WALNUT CREEK, CA

Oct 25

LANDMARK'S PIEDMONT THEATRE

OAKLAND, CA

Oct 26

RIO THEATRE

SANTA CRUZ, CA

Oct 27

MARIN CENTER

SAN RAFAEL, CA

Oct 28

PALACE OF FINE ARTS THEATRE

SAN FRANCISCO, CA

Nov 1 | Nov 2

DODGE RIDGE MOUNTAIN RESORT

PINECREST, CA

Nov 3

OLYMPIC VILLAGE EVENTS CENTER

OLYMPIC VALLEY, CA

Nov 3

CREST THEATER

SACRAMENTO, CA

Nov 5

STATE THEATER - MODESTO

MODESTO, CA

Nov 30

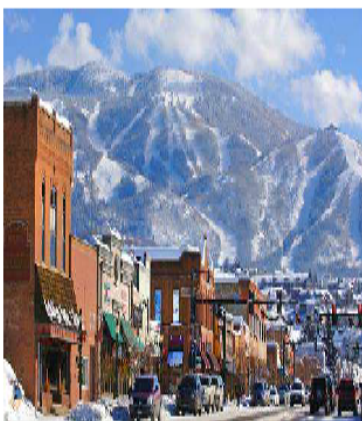


FAR WEST SKI WEEK



Steamboat, Colorado

JAN 27 – FEB 3, 2024



Lodging & Amenities Package Includes:

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

Not Included:

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

Lodging Options (prices are per person):

Trappeur's Crossing

~Shuttle service to ski area and downtown, hot tub, indoor pool, underground parking

- 2 Bedroom/2 Bathroom Condo - \$1,985 pp
- 3 Bedroom/3 Bathroom Condo - \$1,765 pp

Chateau Chamonix

~Ski in/out location, slope side ski valet and locker room, hot tub, pool

- 2 Bedroom/2 Bathroom Condo - \$2,590 pp

The Lodge

~Shuttle service, business center, hot tub, swimming pool, near gondola, restaurants, shops, no elevator

- 2 Bedroom/2 Bathroom Condo - \$1,595 pp
- 3 Bedroom/3 Bathroom Condo - \$1,454 pp

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

To hold your spot - send in your \$200 Deposit check payable to: Bay Area Council of Ski Clubs.

Mail to: Karen Albrecht, BAC Trip Leader, 712 Matsonia Drive, Foster City, CA 94404

iplaythird@yahoo.com 650-515-9532

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FWSA 2024 Int'l Ski Trip to Madonna Di Campiglio, Italy

BASIC Ski Week – Madonna Di Campiglio, Italy February 25–March 3, 2024

(Group Air Departs US Feb. 23rd, 1 night stay at airport hotel on Feb. 24th, and returns to US from Milan Malpensa Airport on Mar. 4, 2024)

Opt. Extension Trip: Milan, Verona and La Spezia, Italy, March 3–10, 2024

(Group Air Departs US Feb. 23rd, 1 night stay at airport hotel on Feb. 24th, and returns to US from Milan Malpensa Airport on Mar. 11, 2024)



HOLIDAY SKI TOURS

All Prices are based on an exchange rate of 1 Euro vs. \$1.10 USD and subject to change.

4* Lodging at Hotel Relais Des Alpes!

Lodging packages start at \$1979.00pp double occupancy. Single Supplements are available.

Prices are based on a minimum of 67 people and are subject to change if the minimum is not met. Air transportation is sold separately.



Madonna di Campiglio, a discreet and elegant town nestling at an altitude of 5085 feet in the stupendous valley between the Brenta Dolomites and the glaciers of Adamello and Presanella, is today most certainly Italy's number one ski resort as well as one of the most important resorts in the Alps and they have 3 Michelin Star Restaurants. The variety of its mountain surroundings means that in winter it is possible to ski over countless miles of runs, up to an altitude of 8530 feet and with different degrees of difficulty. What's more, you can set out from the center of the town and return there without ever removing your skis. Today the Ski Area has 57 lifts, and 93 miles of ski runs, with a capacity of more than 31,000 people per hour, 12 acres of snow park, 25 miles for Nordic skiing with access to Pinzolo, Folgarida and Manileva.

Lodging Package includes:

- Transfer between Milan's Malpensa Airport via private coach to Madonna Di Campiglio.
- 7 nights' accommodation at the 4 Star Hotel Relais Des Alpes – includes portage, local taxes & fees.
- Bus transfer from the Malpensa Airport Hotel to Madonna di Campiglio.
- Breakfast daily & 5 nights' dinner at the Relais Des Alpes Hotel (2 nights to dine out in Madonna Di Campiglio).
- Multi-lingual guide meeting the FWSA Group Air people upon arrival.
- Wi-Fi for 1 device per person (Additional devices for 15 Euro at front desk).
- Welcome/Orientation on Feb. 25th at The Hotel Relais Des Alpes – 2 beverages and lite snacks.
- Après Ski & Farewell events – details to be provided.
- Optional mid-week, day tour – details to be provided.

Ext. Trip No. Italy – Milan, Verona, and La Spezia-Cinque Terra

March 3 to 10, 2024

\$1785.00pp - Double. Occ. & \$2396.00pp - Single Supp.

Based on a minimum of 35 people. Pricing is subject to change if the minimum is not met.

Prada, Versace, Dolce e Gabbana...these luxury brands find their home in the fashion capital of the world and find irreplaceable experiences in Milan. Milan, Italy's second largest city and capital of the Lombardi region, is home to elegance, art, luxury, castles, museums and much more. Our group will crane their neck to take in all that the Duomo di Milano, Milan's staggering cathedral and we'll be offering an optional tour to the Santa Maria delle Grazie church, home of Da Vinci's "Last Supper".



Trip includes:

- All airport ground transfers for both weeks.
- 2 nights in Milan - 4 Star Hotel Nasca or similar hotel.
- 2 nights in Verona - 4 Star Hotel Palazzo Verona or similar hotel.
- 3 nights in La Spezia - 4 Star CDH La Spezia Hotel or similar hotel.
- 1 night hotel stay at the Malpensa Airport Hotel – Mar. 10th.
- English speaking tour escort/manager for entire tour.
- Breakfast daily
- Day excursions – details to be provided.
- Day tours in Milan, Lake Como, Balsamic tasting in Modena, Verona, Cinque Terre, Portovenere & Genova

- Stand Alone Northern Italy ONLY is available. (Excludes Madonna Di Campiglio ski week)
- Contact Debbie Stewart for details and pricing.

For more information contact: Debbie Stewart at FWSAIntlTrvl@prodigy.net or cell: 559/737-0882

State of California Registered Seller of Travel #2036983-40



Bay Area Sports Council trip to Whitefish, Montana March 3-9, 2024

<p>Lodging and Amenities Package. \$856 based on double occupancy. Single Supplement \$399 Includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 6 nights at Grouse Mountain Lodge - Welcome Reception and Group Dinner - Free daily hot breakfast - 4 days shuttle to/from the ski resort - On demand shuttle to downtown Whitefish - Large hot tub, outdoor firepits, bar and restaurant - Cross country trails next to the lodge 	<p>Additional Options</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Group Airfare on Alaska Airlines : SFO to/from Kalispell. \$580 - Shuttle from/to Kalispell airport. \$45 - Lift tickets, dependent on age bracket (\$26-\$75 per day) - Adventure trip to Glacier National Park <p>Register online, select options and pay a deposit of \$200 to Sports America</p> <p>Follow this link: http://bac-whitefish.sat.tours/</p>
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Once you have registered, you can pay a deposit by check or credit card. There is a 3% fee when using a credit card. A deposit of \$200 deposit will hold your spot. Make checks payable to Sports America and mail to: 1700 County Rd, Suite B, Minden, NV 89423

Final Payment is due December 1, 2023

Questions? Ask the Trip Leader: Janet Spencer 925-639-9948 or email jspen52@gmail.com
or Gail Burns, gailb3098@gmail.com

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Far West Ski Association's

2024 Mini Ski Trip

March 17—22, 2024

Copper Mtn., CO

TRIP PACKAGE PRICE STARTING AT

\$944

*Based on double occupancy. Single supplement pricing is available
Price does NOT include air, transfer, or lift tickets.*

*Sign up by October 1st and you will get a discount on your trip price.
Early Bird discount expires October 2, 2023*

Trip Insurance is highly recommended to protect your trip costs

Gold Quality Condo Lodging is supreme level of accommodation strategically located throughout the Center Village allowing convenient access in all the Resort's exciting activities. Amenities include a fitness center, outdoor spa and heated pool, underground parking. Buildings are within 0-4 min. walk to closest chairlift. Gold lodging have one bed in each bedroom and a sofa sleeper in the living room.

The Cambria Hotel is the newest building at Copper Mtn. located on the Ten Mile Creek in Center Village. Sophisticated, modern finishes throughout and a short walk to the slopes, retail, and dining. Other amenities: lobby bar open every evening and breakfast available to purchase each morning, mini fridge, comp WIFI, two outdoor hot tubs overlooking the creek, exercise room and outdoor uncovered parking.

150 Runs—25% Beginner; 24% Intermediate; 34% Advanced; 17% Expert

Contact: Nancy Ellis – 530-414-8261 – FWSAtravelnancy@sbcglobal.net

Information & Online Signup: <http://fwsaminiCP.sat.tours>

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Included:

Five night's lodging

- Cambria Hotel
- *1bdrm Condo (K/Q Bedding)
- *2bdrm Condo (K/Q Bedding)
- * Gold Quality Condo Lodging

Welcome Reception

Optional for Purchase:

3-day Adult Lift Ticket—\$273

4-day Adult Lift Ticket—\$346

Discounted Equipment Rental

Copper is on the IKON Pass
(Resort Access w/out reservations;
Unlimited Access without Blackout
dates)

Optional Activities:

- Sledding
- Ice Skating
- Mountain Coaster
- NASTAR Racing
- Snowshoeing
- Sleigh Rides
- Free Mountain Tours
- Snow Maze



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Far West Ski—Racing	fwra.com
Web Cams on the Slopes	magnifeye.com
Road conditions	800-427-7623 or skibac.org
Weather	nws.mbay.net/home.html
Natl Ski Council Fed	www.skifederation.org

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First with Safety Awareness***

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BAC meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Don Jose's Restaurant, 3430 Village Dr., Castro Valley