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# CVSC SkiZette

October, 2024



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### OCTOBER

#### THERE WILL BE NO MEETING THIS MONTH

- 9-19 CVSC Portugal & the Douro River Cruise
- 19- FWSA Dive Trip the Best of the Phillipines
- 11/2

### NOVEMBER

- 13 CVSC Board meeting at Pat's
- 20 CVSC General meeting at Don Jose's Mexican Restaurant @ 6:00pm

### DECEMBER

- 5 CVSC Christmas Trolley (f) pg 7
- CVSC Christmas dinner at Claudia's (details forthcoming)

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### BAC/FWSA TRIPS

Please visit websites for detailed information.

**BAC Web site: skibac.org**

**Far West Ski Assoc: fwsa.org**

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### OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS



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# Castro Valley Ski Club Newsletter

## President's Message

Happy Halloween and Happy Fall everyone! It's really been a scorcher lately but we continue to persevere. Stay cool.



Claudia Fernandes  
President

We had a fun time at our last Lake Chabot, End of Summer meeting. The weather was amazing with good friends, good food & wine and the strawberry cake dessert. We had a nice time visiting and laughing. So a good time was had by all!


This month there are no meetings but we have our trip to Portugal coming up. Thanks Tucker and Kathy for putting this together. Exciting

times ahead with good friends and adventures on the river cruise.

We will have a meeting in November so hope to see you then. Don't forget we have our Christmas trolley coming up December 5. Make sure you let Pat know if you are attending -- it is a great way to begin the Holiday season.

So have a wonderful October and a Happy Hal-

loween  don't eat too

much  candy. Enjoy! Be safe!

Happy Harvest.

Claudia



## **SkiZette Policy**

### **NEWSLETTER**

#### **DEADLINE: 5th of the month**

Articles submitted by this date will be included in the following month's newsletter .

Submit articles to:

Dennie Warren, Editor

email: dennieluuu1@gmail.com



*Didn't get your newsletter? - Change of Address? -*

*PLEASE Contact Maggie Jong, VP Membership*

*email: mozoro25@gmail.com*

## **SPORTING GOODS EXCHANGE**

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

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

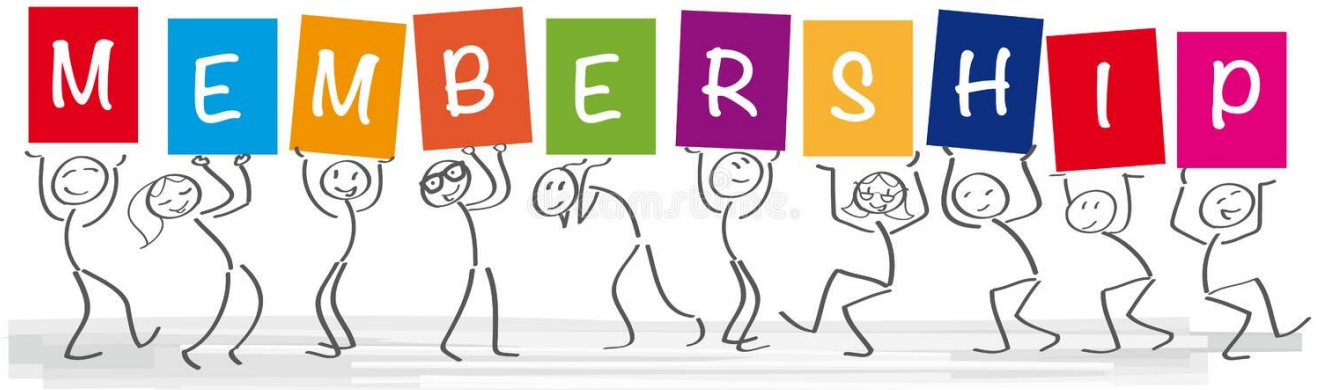
This also goes for winter/ski cabins that you'd like to offer for rent or are looking for same.... Let me know!!!!

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

## **GREENHOUSE MARKET-PLACE**

Do you do lots of canning (fruit — jams/ jellies/preserves) and would like members to know about it — let me know & the word will go here!!!!

Are you blessed with culinary expertise (make pies, special desserts, etc) and would like to share?? Also, let me know!!!!



**FINAL CALL!**

**CASTRO VALLEY SKI CLUB MEMBERS:  
TIME IS RUNNING OUT!**

Get your renewal checks in by October 31 and save.

Dues received by October 31 are \$35 for the first person and \$15 for each additional person in the same household for renewing members with NO lapse in membership.

After October 31, renewing members pay \$50 for the first person and \$20 for each additional person in the same household.

All NEW members pay \$50 for the first person and \$20 for each additional person in the same household.

Make checks payable to the Castro Valley Ski Club.

Please send dues, membership application and signed waiver and to:

Maggie Jong / VP Membership  
2597 Wellingham DR.  
Livermore, CA 94551



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## Membership Application

**October 1, 2024 thru September 30, 2025**

Member's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Family Members signing up in Same Household: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Member's Phone No: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Mobile) \_\_\_\_\_

Family Member's Phone No: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Mobile) \_\_\_\_\_

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

*Please provide e-mail address to receive the club's newsletter CVSC SkiZette  
OR*

*Enter: "US Postal Service" to get the CVSC SkiZette by US mail*

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Membership Dues: Yearly - October 1<sup>st</sup> thru September 30<sup>th</sup>**

\$50.00 Primary Member / \$20.00 Each Additional Family Member in Same Household

**Discount: Membership Renewal discount if paid by October 31<sup>st</sup> with No Lapse in Membership**

\$35.00 Primary Member / \$15.00 Each Additional Family Member in Same Household

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ / Date: \_\_\_\_\_ / Amt Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

- Interested in Volunteering as our Club is only as Strong as its Volunteers?  
 Chair/Host Social Activity  Committee Volunteer  Phone Committee  Other
- New Member; how did you hear about our club? \_\_\_\_\_
- New members joining after July 1<sup>st</sup>, membership is valid thru Sept. of the following year.

**YOU MUST READ AND SIGN THE WAIVER AGREEMENT OR YOUR APPLICATION  
CANNOT BE ACCEPTED!**

Please send the membership application, the signed waver, and the dues to:  
**Maggie Jong, V.P. Membership**  
2597 Wellingham Drive, Livermore, CA 94551 / email: mozoro25@gmail.com  
Make your check payable to the Castro Valley Ski Club.

**RELEASE, WAIVER AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT**

In consideration of my being allowed to participate in CASTRO VALLEY SKI CLUB Events and Activities, I HEREBY AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

I HEREBY ASSUME ALL RISKS INVOLVED IN MY PARTICIPATION IN CASTRO VALLEY SKI CLUB EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES.

I HEREBY RELEASE, WAIVE, DISCHARGE AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE the Club members, its officers, participants, promoters, sanctioning organization or any subdivision thereof, owners and lessees of the premises used to conduct said events, and each of them, all for the purposes herein referred to as "release" from all liability to the undersigned, his/her personal representative, assignees, heirs, and next of kin for any and all loss or damage on account in injury (including death) or property.

I HEREBY AGREE TO INDEMNIFY, DEFEND, SAVE AND HOLD THE RELEASEES, AND EACH OF THEM, HARMLESS from and against any and all claims, losses, damages, liabilities and fees (including attorney's fees), damage to personal property, personal injury or death that any of them may incur as a result of, or relating to my participation at any event, and whether caused by the negligence of releasees or otherwise, and whether such claims, losses, damages, liabilities and fees (including attorney's fees) including any personal injury or death are brought against me or any of the releasees.

EACH OF THE UNDERSIGNED FURTHER EXPRESSLY AGREES that the foregoing release, waiver and indemnity agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by law in the State/Province in which the event is conducted and that if any portion thereof is held invalid it is agreed that the balance shall continue in full force and effect.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAS READ AND VOLUNTARILY SIGNS THIS RELEASE, WAIVER AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT and further agrees no oral representations or inducements apart from the foregoing have been made.

I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE (ALL APPLICANTS MUST SIGN)  
Parents or guardian must sign for those under 18 year of age.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature) (Date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature) (Date)

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(Signature) (Date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature) (Date)

# **CVSC CHRISTMAS TROLLEY EVENT!**

Thursday, December 5, 2024

Hosted by the CVSC at Anne Wilburn's home



Cost: \$38 for Members \$60 for Non-Members

The fun at Anne's starts at **5 o'clock**

Heavy appetizers and wine provided

at

2389 Merlot Lane, Livermore, CA

The Trolley will pick everyone up at Anne's home at **7 o'clock**  
to take us around to see all the Christmas lights.

**Make checks payable to CVSC and send to Pat Green at**

4655 Cope Ct, Pleasanton, CA 94566

Any questions? Call Pat at 925-846-7250

Please RSVP by November 28<sup>th</sup>.



## Bay Area Council of Ski Clubs Presents: Mini Ski Week to Park City, Utah



February 16-21st, 2025  
Park City, Canyons & Deer Valley  
Resorts

### Lodging & Amenities Package Includes:

- ? 5 nights at the **Hyatt Place/Park City** – double occupancy (single supplement available)



- ? Welcome reception and Group Dinner included
  - ? Free daily hot breakfast buffet from 6:30-9:00 a.m., bar w/food in hotel lobby
  - ? Free hotel shuttle & free local ski bus stop in front of hotel
  - ? Free wifi & parking, fitness center, near Nordic Ski Center; near downtown area
  - ? **\$1,080 per person** – based on double occupancy in 2 Queen bedded hotel with sofa & sitting area
  - ? **Registration opens on June 14th.** To insure your spot send your **\$300 deposit check** to: **Bay Area Council of Ski Clubs** in with your completed Trip Preference Form & Waiver. You must be a member of a BAC Club or a Direct BAC member to reserve a spot.
- Airfare or Lift Tickets not included \* Park City Resorts: on the Epic pass; Deer Valley on the Ikon pass.**



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**FAR WEST SKI ASSOCIATION MINI SKI TRIP**  
**March 23—28, 2025**

*Big White, Canada*

**\$745**

**TRIP PACKAGE**

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

*Sign up by October 1<sup>st</sup> and you will get a discount on your trip price.  
Early Bird discount expires October 2, 2024*

*Trip Insurance is highly recommended to protect your trip costs  
should you need to cancel.*

The Inn at Big White features an outdoor heated pool, hot tub, games room, fitness center, 24-hour Front Desk, complimentary WIFI, heated underground parking, and ski locker storage. Rooms include mini-refrigerator, microwave, and induction cooker. Units have 1 Queen bed and 1 Queen Murphy bed.

**Included:**

Five Night's Lodging  
Welcome Breakfast  
Farewell Dinner

**Optional for Purchase:**

3-day Adult Lift Ticket-- \$311  
3-day Senior Lift Ticket--\$301  
4-day Adult Lift Ticket-- \$398  
4-day Senior Lift Ticket--\$333

**Discounted Equipment Rental**

**Optional Activities:**

- Tube Park
- Ice Skating
- Ice Climbing
- Sleigh Ride Dinners
- Snowshoe Tours
- Dog Sled Tours
- Free Mountain Tours
- Snowmobile Tours
- Horse Drawn Sleigh Rides
- Day Spas

Contact: Nancy Ellis – 530-414-8261 – [FWSAtravelnancy@sbcglobal.net](mailto:FWSAtravelnancy@sbcglobal.net)

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

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# BAC 2025

## FWSA Ski Week

To BANFF, CANADA January 25—February 1, 2025

## FAR WEST SKI ASSOCIATION

### FALL FOLIAGE CRUISE—MAJESTIC PRINCESS

Sept. 9-19, 2025 QUEBEC CITY TO BOSTON—FALL FOLIAGE

#### Per Person Rates:

- \$797/person INSIDE ROOM (2) *They pick your room*
- \$816/person INSIDE ROOM (2) *You pick your room*
- \$1,897/person BALCONY ROOM (2) *They pick your room*
- \$1,956/person BALCONY ROOM (2) *You pick your room Forward/Aft*
- \$2,132/person BALCONY ROOM (2) *You pick your room Mid Ship*
- \$2,497/person MINI SUITE (2) *They pick your room*
- \$2,742/person MINI SUITE (2) *You pick your room*

**\$250.00 EXTRA PORT FEES & TAXES PER PERSON**

#### CRUISE INCLUDES:

- 10 Nights, All Meals & Floor Shows
- Group Cocktail Party
- 6 Restaurants on the ship plus the Main Dining Room

\*\*\*\$600.00 more/person (\$60/day) includes the following:

- \*All Drinks
- \*WIFI
- \*Tips Paid

ADD QUEBEC CITY HILTON HOTEL (Walking distance to Old Quebec City)

Mon. Sept. 8th prior to boarding ship on Sept. 9th = \$143/person double room

Trip information: Contact Nancy Ellis, VP North American Travel,

[fwsatravelnancy@sbcglobal.net](mailto:fwsatravelnancy@sbcglobal.net) (530) 414-8261

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#### PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- 7-Nights Lodging
- Welcome Reception
- Giant Slalom Races @ Lake Louise
- Picnic Lunch @ Lake Louise Base Village
- BAC Council Dinner
- Farewell Banquet, Awards and Dance

#### AVAILABLE:

SEE REGISTRATION FORM FOR DETAILS

- Group Air - SFO to Calgary
- Ground Transportation  
Calgary to Banff / Banff to Calgary
- Group Lift Tickets

#### LODGING OPTIONS

##### BANFF PARK LODGE [www.banffparklodge.com](http://www.banffparklodge.com)



Closest to town (2 block walk), spa, multiple restaurants, ski bus pick-up at hotel - Daily buffet breakfast included  
-2 Queen Beds - \$1,450 per person/double occupancy

##### CARIBOU LODGE [www.banffcariboulodge.com](http://www.banffcariboulodge.com)



10-15 minute walk to town, spa, steakhouse restaurant, ski bus pick-up at hotel (3<sup>rd</sup> to be picked-up/dropped-off), complimentary Banff ROAM bus pass - Daily buffet breakfast included  
-2 Queen Beds - \$1,300 per person/double occupancy  
-1 King Bed - \$1,300 per person/double occupancy

##### Moose Lodge [www.mooselodgesuites.com](http://www.mooselodgesuites.com)



5-10 minute walk to town, spa, rooftop hot tubs, Italian restaurant, ski bus pick-up near hotel (5<sup>th</sup> to be picked-up/dropped-off), complimentary Banff ROAM bus pass, newly remodeled - Daily buffet breakfast included  
-2 Queen Beds - \$1,650 per person/double occupancy  
-1 KING SUITE - \$1,950 PER PERSON/DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

BAC CST# 2050870 FWSA CST# 2036983-40

Karen Albrecht  
BAC Trip Leader  
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Foster City, CA 94404  
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[iplaythird@yahoo.com](mailto:iplaythird@yahoo.com)

# ***FWSA 2025 Int'l Ski Trip to Tignes / Val d'Isere, France***

## **BASIC Ski Week – Tignes, France March 1 – March 8, 2025**

*Group departs US Feb. 27, arrives in Geneva, Feb 28 & spend 1 night at a Geneva airport hotel.*

*Mar. 1<sup>st</sup> departs by bus to Tignes/Val d'Isere and return to US from Geneva, France on Mar. 8, 2025*

## **Opt. Ext. Trip: Marseille, Nice & more...March 8–14, 2025**

*Group departs US on Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> and return from Nice on Mar.14, 2025)*



TIGHES/VAL D'ISERE

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

## **4-Star Lodging at The Village Montana in Tignes – a *SKI IN – SKI OUT* hotel!**

*Prices start at: \$2799p.p. based on double occupancy [air transp. sold separately.]*

Single Supplements are available.



For the skiing enthusiast and the snow sports lovers looking for one of the largest ski areas in Europe, look no further...Tignes / Val d'Isere, France has everything you need in the heart of the Alps! The ski areas of Tignes and neighboring Val d'Isere make up what is known as L 'Espace Killy, one of the largest most varied and snow sure ski areas in the world. You will be able to enjoy 186 miles of slopes spread between 9093 acres with an altitude of 11,338 ft.

**Senior rates for 65-74 years and 75 years and older SKI FREE!**

*Your convenient and unforgettable stay in the mountains at the 4-Star, Ski in-Ski out, Village Montana!*

### **Basic Lodging Package includes:**

- Meet and greet at Geneva Airport with English Speaking Assistant.
- Transfer between Geneva Airport and Geneva Hotel via Hotel Shuttle.
- One-night stay at the 4-Star Crown Plaza, Geneva Airport Hotel with buffet breakfast.
- Transfer between Geneva Airport Hotel via a private coach to Tignes with English-speaking assistant.
- 7 night's accommodation at the 4\* Ski in-Ski out Village Montana Hotel.
- Welcome/Orientation on March 1<sup>st</sup> with reps from Tignes Tourist Office and Ski School
- Daily Buffet Breakfast & 5 Dinners at the Village Montana Hotel in Tignes.
- Complimentary use of the hotel amenities, such as:
  - WIFI
  - Heated Ski Room – with direct access to the slopes
  - Indoor heated swimming pool, Steam Bath & Sauna
- Après Ski & Farewell events – details to be provided.
- Optional day tour - details to be provided.



## **So. France/French Riviera Adven. Trip: Marseille, Nice & more...**

**March 8 to 14 , 2025**

**Prices: \$1997.00pp (dbl. occ.) or \$2460.00pp Single Supp.**

### **Trip includes:**

- 3 nights at the 4 Star Hotel Grand Hotel Beauvau in Marseille
- 3 nights at the 4 Star Beau Rivage Hotel on the Esplanade in Nice
- English speaking tour escort/manager starting in Marseille
- Breakfast daily
- Day excursions include city walking tours, Chateau de Beaufort, Marseille Panier Area, Grotte de Cosquer <https://www.grotte-cosquer.com/en/visit-the-cosquer-cave/> , day tour of Camargue (Saint Mariede La Mar) & Aries, visit a perfume factory in Grasse, tour of the Village of St. Paul de Vence & the Foundation Maeght <https://fondation-maeght.com/> , full day tour to Antibes Old Town and St. Honorat Island & wine tasting, boat to Quai Laubeuf, Cannes.
- Farewell dinner.
  - **Stand Alone So. France/French Riviera ONLY (Excludes Tignes/Val d'Isere ski week)**
  - **Land package price is same as Dbl. Occ. or Single Supplement ext. trip. Contact Gloria for transportation.**



Make checks out to: Far West Ski Association (FWSA). Please reference "FWSA 2025 Tignes/Val d'Isere Int'l Trip" on each check.

Send to: Gloria Raminha  
FWSA VP of Int'l Travel  
12707 Windy Ridge Dr.  
Bakersfield, CA 93312

For more information contact: Gloria Raminha at [Garski2011@gmail.com](mailto:Garski2011@gmail.com) or cell: 661/800-8229

State of California Seller of Travel # 2036983-40

Castro Valley Ski Club presents  
**Colorful Costa Rica**  
May 4-15<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**\$2399** SOLD OUT  
Trip is limited to 28

**PACKAGE INCLUDES:**

- 11 nights accommodations
- 3 nights San Jose (upon arrival, coming from Tortuguero and one night before we depart)
- 2 nights Tortuguero
- 2 nights Arenal
- 2 nights Monteverde
- 2 nights Guanacaste
- Tips
- CVSC special EcoTermales Hot Springs & dinner in Arenal
- All transfers included only with airfare purchase on package arrival & departure dates
- 22 meals: 11 breakfasts, 5 lunches, 7 dinners
- Sightseeing per itinerary in modern air-conditioned motor coach
- Services of English-speaking tour manager throughout
- Entrance fees per itinerary
- Comfortable wireless earphones for enhanced touring



**Special Features**

- Take a boat tour along the Tortuguero canals, through the heart of the Costa Rican jungle
- Visit the artisan town of Sarchi and see artists in their workshops
- In Arenal, view the now dormant conical-shaped Arenal Volcano
- Tour a coffee plantation and enjoy a typical Costa Rican lunch
- Discover the dense vegetation in the stunning Monteverde Cloud Forest
- Travel to the tropical province of Guanacaste on the sun-splashed Pacific Coast
- Tour downtown San Jose, enjoying its many historical & architectural jewels

**Not Included:**

- Round trip flights, we should have air prices sometime in July.
- Optional tours

Insurance will be available

Send \$300 per person non-refundable deposit to:

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

CVSC CST # 2081040



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# BIKE & BARGE BRUGES TO AMSTERDAM MAY 8-15, 2025



## ITINERARY

1. Embarkation in Bruges, the "Pearl of Flanders"
2. From Bruges to Ghent through the beautiful Flemish Countryside
3. Cycling along the Scheldt: from Ghent to St. Amands
4. Pedaling to the city of diamonds: Antwerp!
5. From Belgium to Holland by bike & boat - Antwerp to Dordrecht
6. Cycling through the mills of Kinderdijk to Vianen
7. Among mansions, castles and villages toward Amsterdam
8. End of tour in Amsterdam

## INCLUDED IN THIS TOUR:

8 days/7 nights 7 x breakfast 6 x 3-course dinner  
 Packed lunches Coffee/Tea/Water on board Welcome drink  
 Daily cabin cleaning Climate-controlled cabin Wi-Fi  
 Fully guided cycling tours Jacuzzi on Sundeck GPS  
 Some short walking tours Use of a helmet Use of Manual bike  
 Use of a waterproof pannier bag Fees for ferries  
 Entrance Red Star Line Museum in Antwerp  
 Tasting Belgium products Canal trip through Ghent

**JOIN 34 BAC cyclists** for a week-long bike & barge tour in Holland and Belgium: the land of bicycles! The terrain is **completely flat, and the bike paths, almost all of which are paved**, are always well marked. Some stages include a choice between a short and a longer ride, and if one day you don't feel like cycling, you have the option of staying on board the boat. The only variable to keep an eye on is the weather: a little wind or rain could make your ride more adventurous.

**PRIVATE CHARTER VIA GIROLIBERO CYCLING HOLIDAYS**

## NOT INCLUDED:

Airfare 1-dinner (Antwerp or Bruges)  
 Bottled/Alcoholic Drinks  
 Trip Insurance  
 Entrance fees not mentioned above  
 Transfers to/from the dock

E-bike \$300 (very limited availability)

**\$2,425\*** per person – double occupancy

Deposit: \$500 – to secure your spot  
 \$1,000 Due AUG 1, 2024 Balance Due FEB 1, 2025

Checks payable to: **Bay Area Council of Ski Clubs**  
 Mail to: **Karen Albrecht, 712 Matsonia Dr., Foster City CA 94404**

*\*Trip cost is based on 2024 currency conversion rates. Any major change in currency conversion rates that impact trip cost will be passed on to participants.*

"The Voice of the Western Skier"



# 92<sup>nd</sup> Annual Far West Ski Association Convention

June 12 - 15, 2025

at

## Margaritaville Resort

1600 N. Indian Canyon Drive  
Palm Springs, CA 92262



Hosted by the *Orange Council of Ski Clubs*

### Margaritaville Resort

1600 N. Indian Canyon Drive, Palm Springs, CA 92262

#### Reservations:

Call **760-327-8311**, Group Name: **Far West Ski Association**.

**Room Rates** per night plus tax, single or double occupancy —  
**\$169** per night

**Room Registration Deadline: May 19, 2025**

### Hotel Features

- Fins Up Fitness Center
- St. Somewhere Spa
- Joe Merchants Coffee and sundries
- JWB Grill
- 5 O'Clock Somewhere Pool Bar
- Tropics Lounge
- Lone Palm Pool

### Transportation

- Air transportation via Palm Springs International Airport (4 minutes away)
- Transportation to the airport is available by rental car, Uber, or Lyft.

### Convention Highlights

- Silent Auction & Trade Show
- Guest Speakers
- Snowsports Leadership Academy
- Saturday Awards Luncheon
- Saturday Awards Banquet
- FWSA General Meeting & Elections

### Optional Activities

- **Thursday**
  - 28th Annual Pub Crawl
- **Friday**
  - 18th Annual Michael German Memorial Golf Tournament
  - Pool Party
  - Club Happy Hour

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Co-Convention Chair  
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or 503-314-7078

Jane Wyckoff  
Co-Convention Chair  
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or 949-933-9607

Barbara Razo  
Silent Auction Chairperson  
[SilentAuction@fwsa.org](mailto:SilentAuction@fwsa.org)  
or 714-401-7341

Sheila Van Guilder  
Host Council Convention  
Coordinator  
[svanguil@yahoo.com](mailto:svanguil@yahoo.com)  
or 714-656-6032

A portion of the Silent Auction proceeds will benefit: TBA.

[www.fwsa.org](http://www.fwsa.org)

## Castro Valley Ski Club

Presents

### Paris, Normandy, and the Seine River Cruise



**October 3-15<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**\$3895 to \$4695** depending on cabin choice – plus air \$1400

Delight in the dazzling sights of Paris, explore the charming villages along the Seine, and encounter the sacredness of Normandy

Here is all the info on The Seine: Normandy to Paris River Cruise with Grand Circle Cruise Line in 2025. Below are the details for this cruise along with instructions to make reservations.

The upper deck has a small balcony with a sliding glass door. The lower deck has a large picture window and is slightly larger than the balcony cabins.

Learn more about this cruise online at: [www.gct.com/SEN25](http://www.gct.com/SEN25) you can see deck plans here as well

#### **Here's how you can sign up**

- 1) Call Grand Circle Travel: 1-800-221-2610
- 2) **Mention Group Code: G5-25848**
- 3) Mention you'd like to make a reservation for the The Seine: Normandy to Paris in 2025 with the Castro Valley Ski Club
- 4) Deposit is \$500 per person, but more if including travel protection with the deposit.

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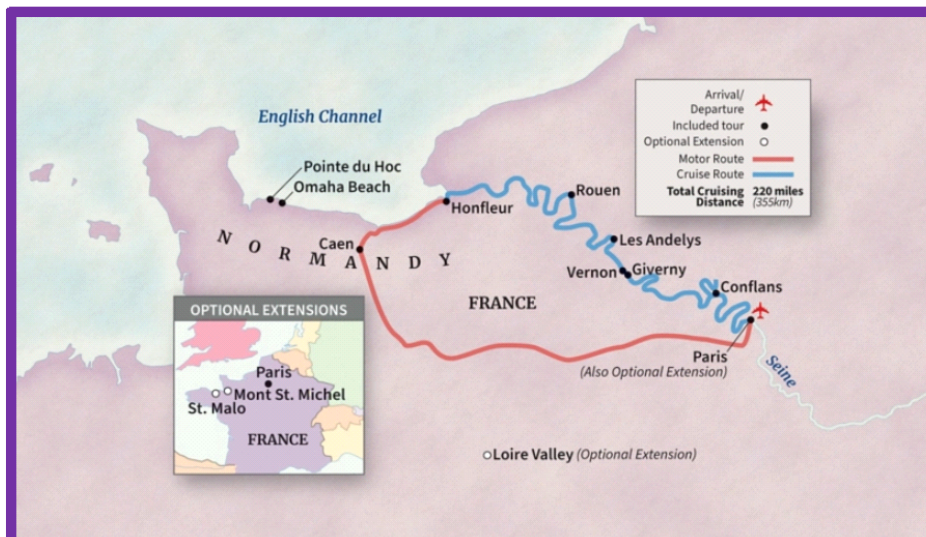
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