

Nordic Gazette - APRIL 2018



“Cross-country skiing is great if you live in a small country”

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Holiday Rates in Effect for the Easter/Spring Break – All days from March 24th through April 8th
April 4th – 8:00pm – General Meeting and (Board Meeting at 7pm) – The Englander Restaurant, San Leandro
April 15th – Currently published closing date for Sugar Bowl
May 2nd – 8:00pm – General Meeting - ELECTIONS for the new ski year - Location to be determined
June 2nd – Saturday – June Awards and Installation of Officers Dinner - Nicks Restaurant, Pacifica

APRIL 4th - BOARD AND GENERAL MEETING

Englander Sports Bar and Restaurant - 101 Parrott St. (510) 357-3571, San Leandro. Board Meeting at 7:00p.m., General Meeting at 8:00p.m. Join us for dinner and/or a craft beer or two. The Englander provides the Vikings with a private room in exchange for us ordering food and beverages (although not required).

The Englander is a short (10-15 minute) walk from BART. You can always bum a ride back to BART after the meeting.

MAY 2ND GENERAL MEETING – BOARD ELECTIONS FOR THE 2018/2019 YEAR (Barb Sorenson)

Consider being on the VSC Board of Directors! This is a good way to get to know the club better and be a part of the club decision making process:)

The Board consists of 5 Officers and 7 "Directors at Large", a total of 12.

Elections will be held at the May 2, 2018 General Meeting. We need to vote in 5 Officers and 4 "Directors at Large"

The positions up for election are: President, Vice President (Membership), Treasurer, Secretary, Corresponding Secretary. These positions are a one year term and can be voted in a second year if nominated. One exception is the Treasurer can be re-elected to an indefinite number of successive terms.

"Directors at Large": There should be a total of seven. In the odd numbered years we elect 3 new Directors at Large and in the even numbered years we elect 4 new Directors at Large.

Board meetings are once a month, usually the hour before the General Meeting. You don't have to attend every one.

If you're interested or have questions, contact Barb Sorenson, barb@barbsorenson.com.

TREASURER'S REPORT

It is important that the cabin roster is filled out correctly. It makes life far easier if the following points are observed:

When setting up a new roster, LOOK at the carbon, if it is significantly worn, put a new carbon in, they are in the drawer under the sign in desk. HINT- if the previous carbon copy is not very legible, change the carbon! MAKE SURE that the carbon is in the correct way round, we do not want a reverse image of the original on the back side of the original sign in sheet!

STAPLE the top copy, carbon and the carbon copy together on the upper and lower right corners, there is a small stapler in the drawer, this keeps the carbon copy properly aligned.

DO NOT write your checks - or anything else - resting on the log, otherwise your writing comes thru onto the carbon copy, rendering it hard to decipher.

SIGN IN all members of your party together, this makes it easier to keep track of payments.

BRING your check book with you; payment is required on Saturday or at the end of your stay, not weeks later - you don't often forget your cabin key!!!

Weekend Cabin Chair:

Put your name at the bottom of the register, and any comments about who paid for whom if there might be confusion. Take the ORIGINAL roster and payments, and mail to me promptly, please. Any cabin maintenance problems, email the cabin maintenance chair promptly, any other problems, email the President.

Thanks for your help and cooperation.

Paul Thompson

BAC/FarWest Ski Association – This Year's Ski Trip (Rick Haglund)

One of the benefits of being a member of our little ski club is that your dues make you automatically a member of the Bay Area Snow Sports Council (BAC) and by extension part of even a larger organization, the Far West Ski Association (FWSA). The FWSA bills itself as "The Voice of the Western Skier". While the BAC on occasion sponsors ski trips, the FWSA organizes two domestic and one international ski trips every year.

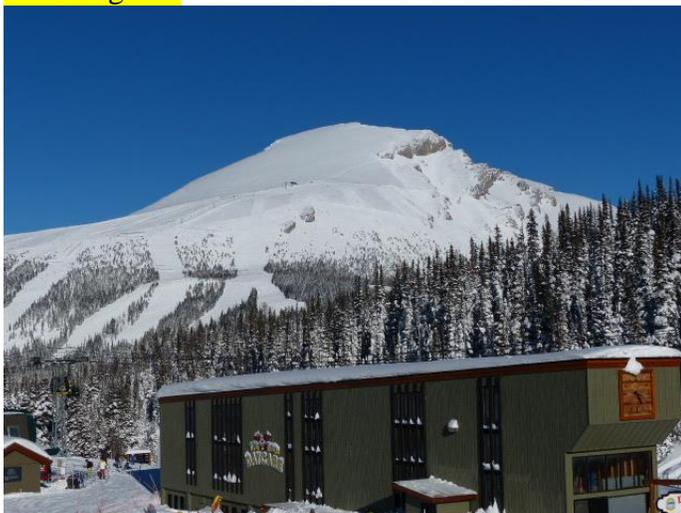
This past February we joined the FWSA on a ski trip to Banff Canada. While Tahoe was dealing with an extremely dry year, at least until the miracle of March, the Canadian Rockies were once again covered in the dry powder they are famous for. Banff is a national park that was first settled after the transcontinental railway was built in the 1880's. Three railway workers stumbled upon a series of natural hot springs and the rest is

history. Each day we had the choice of three ski resorts all connected to the town by free bus shuttles. Skiing atop of this Canadian Rockies range we were struck by its jagged peaks and stunning vistas. Our lodging was at the historic Fairmont Banff Springs hotel. The FWSA sponsored ski racing during the week and entertaining dinners where one night we all learned how to do line dancing. Other activities we did included the Johnson Canyon Icewalk and a soak in the Upper Banff Hot Springs.

Next year FWSA is going to Steamboat Springs in February and Winter Park in March. The international trip will be to Japan's Hakuba Happo'one winter resort that was host to the Nagano 1998 Winter Olympics! I encourage everyone to take a look at both the BAC and FWSA web sites and maybe you'll find a trip that you are interested in.

skibac.org or fwsa.org

Rick Haglund



View of slopes at Sunshine Village



Rick and Georgina in front of a frozen waterfall on Johnson Canyon Icewalk.



The historic Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel

VIKING NEWS

Alice and Mike Masek are wearing big smiles – they have a new granddaughter, Josephine, born March 6th. Congratulations to all.

Cabin Rules Reminders:

- Mark all food in the refrigerator with your name and date
- No personal food is to be left in the refrigerator, FREEZER or food lockers when checking out. These areas have limited space and are for use only during the duration of your stay. Also, for this same reason, ice chest cooling devices take second priority to food. Food, particularly condiments, left will become cabin property for the use of the general membership.
- Place trash and recycle bags in the Bear Box. Garbage is picked up on Monday morning only.

San Francisco Viking Ski Club

Officers – 2017/2018

President: Laura Salcido; laurabiking@yahoo.com

Vice-President/Membership: Rick Haglund; haglund.richard@gmail.com

Corresponding/Recording Secretary: John Fox

Treasurer: Paul Thompson, Paul@pthompson.com

Cabin Chair: Mike Masek, Paul Kensinger

Nordic Gazette Editor: Maureen Sala

Board Members:

Paul Kensinger, Barbara Sorensen, Rex Haber, Mike Masek, Stephanie LaCarruba, Vacancy, Vacancy

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Cabin Reservations: Penny Bair, Tel: (707)480-2234 or yogibair@comcast.net

Cabin Fees Winter: Members: \$12/night, Guests: \$21/night

Summer: Members: \$8/night, Guests: \$17/night

Web Site: www.sfvikingskiclub.org