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THE ASHEVILLE AVALANCHE

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE ASHEVILLE SKI CLUB

December 2018

President's Message



Greetings,

We just finished with the Warren Miller film held at the Fine Arts Theater. It was another sell out crowd this year. There were a lot of new member applications given out too. See details and pictures on later page of this newsletter.

Special thanks to Cataloochee Ski Report, Backcountry Film Festival and Ski Country Sports for their generous donation of lift tickets, ski equipment, and swag. Special mention to our emcee's Chip and Kimberly Coxe for making our guests feel welcome.

The Backcountry Film Festival is coming to Sierra Nevada Brewing December 6th. It's a celebration of the human-powered experience and a gathering place for the backcountry snowsports community. Funds raised at each screening stay in the local community to support human-powered recreation and conservation efforts, winter education and avalanche/safety programs and to raise awareness of winter management issues. All proceeds from the Backcountry Film Festival will support the work of the Asheville Ski Club Ski Team. Doors open at 6 pm and the movie start's at 7 pm.

For more information and tickets, go to <https://nvite.com/eb/51960926530> Let's see a big crowd from the ASC to support this worthy cause.

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President's Message (continued)

We're going to meet at the Salvage Station for the December 11th meeting. We'll gather at 5:00 pm. A nacho bar starts at 6 pm and for ones that want to hang around afterward, Trivia starts at 7 pm. We're going to do an Ugly Christmas Sweater contest and a Chinese Christmas Gift Exchange.

THE GIFTS:

1. The gift value limit is \$25.00.
2. The gift should be something someone would actually want or use.
3. It should be in new or good condition.
4. The gift should be wrapped before arriving to the party. Gift bags are OK.
5. Gift certificates are OK.
6. As guests arrive to the party, the gifts should be placed in an area where few people can see who brought which gift. All efforts should be made to avoid linking gift to donor.

For more information about the location, go to: <https://www.salvagestation.com/>

For more information about the Chinese Christmas Gift Exchange, go to:

<http://p2.smu.edu/rjepsen/chinesechristmas.html>

In closing, the club is looking to add Membership Benefits to recruit and retain members. Currently, as an ASC member, AFLAC makes additional insurance benefits available to you. To find out more go to:

<https://www.ashevilleskiclub.com/membership/membership> for more information.

If you know of a discount or benefits we can offer our members, please email me at: wayne_bailey642@hotmail.com

Think Snow !

Wayne Bailey

wayne_bailey642@hotmail.com

NEXT MEETING

Date: TUESDAY December 11, 2018

Location: Sierra Nevada Brewery

Time: Socializing 6:30 pm

Meeting/Program at 7:00 pm



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Our December meeting will be held at Sierra Nevada Brewery, 100 Sierra Nevada Way, Fletcher, NC 28732. There will be gift exchange and ugly sweater contest. See page 7 for details.

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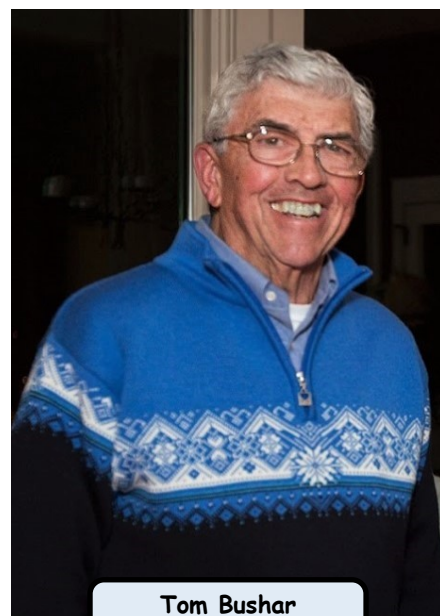
Mountain Biking at Bent Creek - Every Wednesday at 5:30pm.
Meet at Ledford parking lot.

Gary Swinea gswinea@yahoo.com

Newsletter Editor's Notes

Well, it's back again to the mug shot of me wearing my fabulous Dale sweater that I bought at Whistler Village in 2015. I like using this picture because I don't get any older, while the rest of you do. We will all be needing heavy sweaters as ULLR has bestowed his blessings upon us for the 2018-2019 season. For this we can thank Greg and Susan for hosting the ULLRfest again at their home - a successful event as described in detail herein.

As Wayne pointed out in his comments we also had a great turnout at the showing of "*Face of Winter*," the latest film from Warren Miller Entertainment. See details page 12.



Tom Bushar
Avalanche Editor



Note that the beautiful fall colors shown here occurred in November this year, well beyond the normal peak period. Thanks to Greg Caspers for this lovely shot.

Now we need to get as many members as possible to attend the December meeting, Tuesday December 11th at Sierra Nevada Brewing. In case you didn't hear me, that's SIERRA NEVADA BREWING! This meeting is our Holiday spectacular with Chinese gift exchange and Ugly Sweater Contest. It doesn't get any better than that!

Check out the ski trips page - still some rooms available on some trips.

Some Other Reminders

- Thanks to Tyler Melton for stepping up to be our Publicity/Social Director. He will handle our web site and Facebook page.
- If you are a new member please try to get another member to take your picture at any ASC meeting and email it to me at tbushar@gmail.com or to Jim Baker at james_baker100@att.net. We try to feature new member names and pictures in the Avalanche so folks can get to know you.
- Find out what's going on throughout the skiing world by visiting the website: <http://skifederation.org> and scroll down to tab called Fed News Beat.
- If you have something that's "fit to print" in the Avalanche, you can email me directly at tbushar@gmail.com with your story and pictures. Your story does not need to be written in final form. I generally edit, elaborate and embellish as necessary to generate interest.

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Asheville Ski Club

Membership Application

www.ashevilleskiclub.com; ashskiclub@gmail.com



Mail to:

Membership
Asheville Ski Club
P.O. Box 211
Asheville, NC 28802

Membership Type & fees:

\$ _____	Single \$35
\$ _____	Family \$60
\$ _____	Junior \$15 (under 18 not part of a family membership)
\$ _____	Racer fee \$35 per racer
<u>\$ _____</u>	Total

Payment method:

☐ Cash
☐ Check

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Last Name - spouse _____ First Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Primary contact: Home phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Primary email address _____

Spouse contact: Home phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Spouse email address _____

Children names (if members) _____

Do you understand and agree that the information given here will be shared in the Asheville Ski Club Directory? ☐ yes ☐ no

I am interested in the following activities:

☐ day ski trips, ☐ long distance trips, ☐ racing, ☐ learn to ski programs, ☐ hiking, ☐ bicycling, ☐ camping

Other _____

Long distance resort/ski town trip request(s): _____

Waiver

By signing this Application for membership in the WNC Skiing and Outing Club, I agree and understand that the Club is a voluntary organization, composed of and run by volunteers. I also understand that the Officers and the members have no professional or special training in conducting Club activities and do not hold themselves out as having such. I acknowledge that the skiing and outdoor sports have certain innate dangers and I understand these risks. I hereby release the Asheville Ski Club and the WNC Skiing and Outing Club, Inc. from any and all liability for any injury that I, or any member of my family, may incur as a result of participating in any Club activities, including economic loss. I understand and agree that the information given here is truthful and honest to the best of my knowledge and will be shared in the Club Directory.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature (spouse if also joining): _____ Date: _____

Guardian (if child is under 18 years old): _____ Date: _____

Tuesday, November 13th Meeting

Our Tuesday November 13th meeting featured a private sale and food event at Ski Country Sports. Members enjoyed shopping opportunities.

By the way, it is now time to run your skis over to Ski Country to get them tuned up for the season!!



Tuesday, December 11th Meeting

Our Tuesday December 11th meeting will be held at Sierra Nevada Brewery. This will be a great event including a secret gift exchange and an ugly sweater contest. The gift exchange is called a Chinese Christmas Gift Exchange, which employs just a touch of larceny to make it a fun event. For details go to:

<http://p2.smu.edu/rjepson/chinesechristmas.html>

What can be a more moving expression of the Christmas spirit than people stealing gifts from one another!



So, tell us what you want--what you really, really want!

It's time to sign up for trips for the 2018-19 season and Asheville has got something for everyone. Don't delay. The Japan trip sold out in three days. You let us know that was a trip you wanted and then showed us by signing up right away. Other trips may fill almost as quickly and often it is impossible for us to get more rooms and air at the same low price. Delaying may put you in a different condo or hotel, paying a higher price.

Many other clubs are expanding to include adventure trips, cycling trips, SCUBA trips and more. Our bike and boat trips have sold out within days, which is typical for such trips. Jeff Kenrick is exploring the possibility of running an African safari trip, a trip which has been successfully run by other clubs. Trips to California's wine country are also popular. Some trips may only come around once so just go for it.

After all, it's more fun to travel with friends than to travel alone. Studies have shown that people with friends live longer and healthier lives, and people who travel keep their brains more alert fending off dementia.

So consider a trip a prescription for a healthy, happy life. Traveling is definitely more fun than watching tv at home. Memories are better than having more stuff - seriously, do we really need more storage facilities?

The trips committee is open to suggestions and we're currently planning our trips for 2020. Spain will be a great trip for everyone and we expect to take a large group for that one. We're wide open for other trip ideas.

So, tell us what you want--what you really, really want! Drop an email to any of the following:

Jan Van Dine janvandine@gmail.com

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Ron Shulby ronshulby@gmail.com

Jeff Kenrick jpenrick@aol.com

Bill Melton skibill@charter.net

Margaret Crum mcrum211@charter.net

Member Business Cards

We welcome you to share your business card by having it published in the Asheville Avalanche monthly newsletter. Just send a copy of your card to Tom Bushar at tbushar@gmail.com.



SKIIS FOR SALE

For sale. K2 burning love 153cm w/Marker bindings

Maintained, good condition \$200.00

Jacquie Wollins. jwollins5@gmail.com



SKIIS FOR SALE (continued)

For sale. 2017/2018 Head Titan Super Shape Size 163cm. \$490.00

Mark Rozof. mrozof21@hotmail.com, (724) 454-6540



For sale. Head Monster Size 163cm. Used twice. \$499.00

Mark Rozof. mrozof21@hotmail.com, (724) 454-6540



For sale. Volkl Youth Skis Size 128cm. Wood Core. Great Shape. \$189.00

Mark Rozof. mrozof21@hotmail.com, (724) 454-6540



ULLRfest Followup

Saturday, November 3rd

Again this year Greg Caspers and Susan Slettedal extended their generosity and hospitality to the Asheville Ski Club members by hosting the annual ULLRfest. This is an important event and an extremely serious undertaking as ULLR decides just when and where the white fluffy stuff falls each year.

You see, ULLR is the Norse God of snow and the son of Thor (who became very popular through his appearance in several American films). You can tell by the pictures that attendees were determined to please ULLR by eating and drinking copious amounts of the available food and beverages , and of course, by burning sacrificial skis in the solemn ritual that is hoped to secure abundant snowfall.



Buddy joins revelers
at ULLRfest



Burning Skis



ULLR's nightmare!!



ULLR blesses us
with a sign

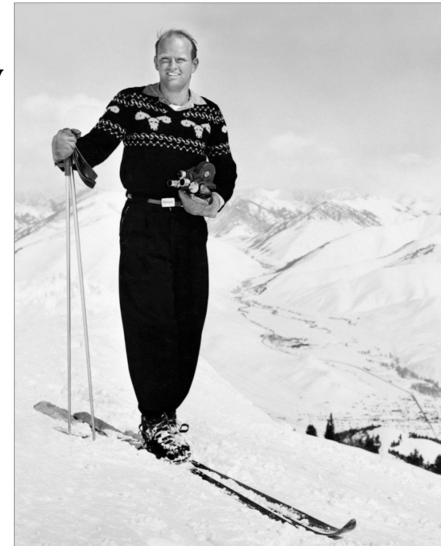


November 15 Screening of Warren Miller Film

Face of Winter

As some of you are aware, Warren Miller passed away in January 2018 at the age of 93. Through 1988 he was directly involved in the many films produced by the company he founded, Warren Miller Entertainment. His published works include over 750 sports films, several books and hundreds of non-fiction articles.

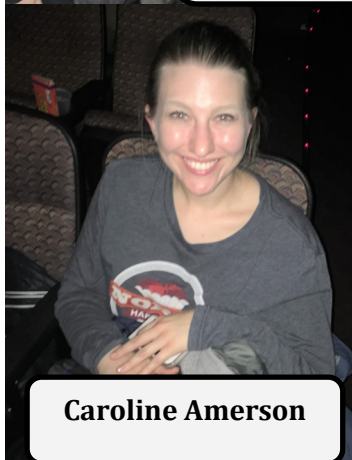
Face of Winter is an homage to Miller, featuring current extreme skiers plus many looks back at old film footage and repeatedly mentioning his famous skiing quotation, "If you don't do it this year, you'll be one year older when you do."



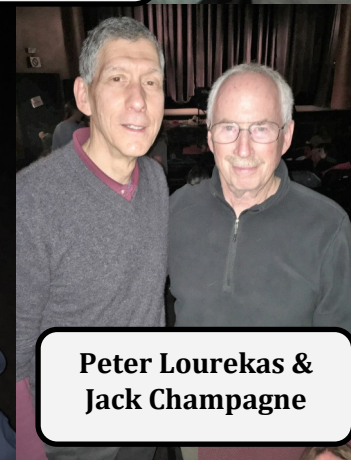
Here are a few pictures from the screening:



Kay Haskell & Sunny Ruble buy drawing tickets from huckster



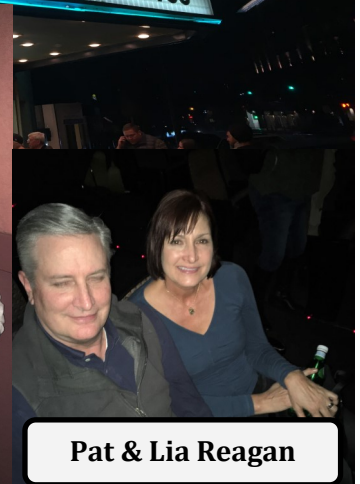
Caroline Amerson



Peter Lourekas & Jack Champagne



Hosts Kimberly and Chip Coxe



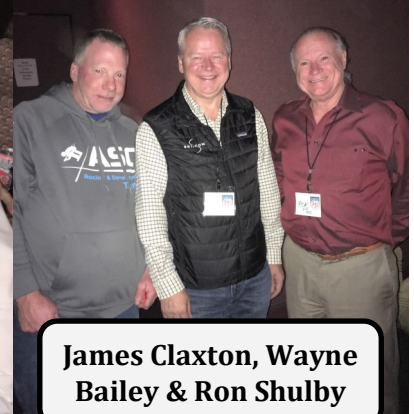
Pat & Lia Reagan



The notorious Shotski



Debbie & Bill Melton with Erik Sandstedt



James Claxton, Wayne Bailey & Ron Shulby

Back Country Film Festival

December 6, 2018 Sierra Nevada Brewing

The Backcountry Film Festival is coming to Asheville on Thursday, December 6th at Sierra Nevada Brewing. This festival is produced each year by the Winter Wildlands Alliance, a nonprofit organization working nationally to promote and preserve winter wildlands and quality human-powered snowsports on public lands.

A collection of nine short films, 5-20 minutes long capture the spirit of winter, adventure, youth outdoors, and ski culture — you'll find it all in this award-winning lineup.

Upon its early November premiere each year in Boise, Idaho, the Backcountry Film Festival then tours over 100 cities around the world in partnership with local community organizations and grassroots partners.

Prior to the show, a raffle will be held benefiting the Asheville Ski Club Ski Team. We'll have some great items to bid on thanks to our local partnerships; Astral Designs, Ski Country Sports, Pilot Cove, GoBe Campers, ENO, Cataloochee Ski Area, Asheville Ski Club, and Honey Creek Pottery.

Video preview: <https://nvite.com/community/winterwildlands>

Tickets and Information: <https://nvite.com/eb/51960926530>



CSC RACE SERIES SPONSORS OF THE MONTH

The following businesses have donated merchandise and/or certificates to the Crescent Ski Council. Their merchandise and certificates will be used as prizes to the top three finishers in each flight of the CSC Race Series. Please support these establishments and product lines at every possible opportunity.



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www.buffusa.com



www.alpineskicenter.com



www.sportsamerica.com



Ron Scott
Race Director
H 919/362-5689
Rscott013nc.rr.com

2018/2019 CSC Race Series

December	1-8	2018	<i>Steamboat Race Camp Call Sports Am. Tours 800 876 8551</i>
December	Call	2018	<i>Killington Race Camp 802 422 6121 Sara Vitagliano</i>
December	2	2018	<i>CSC Development Training at Appalachian 9:45 to 3:00</i>
December	7-9	2018	<i>Sugar Mt. Race Camp Call Kim Jöchl 828 898 4521 x224</i>
December	Call	2018	<i>Timberline, WV Ski School 304 866 4801 <u>John Anderson</u></i>
<i>Gate Training at Appalachian 1st-4th Friday evening before a Boone Area Crescent Race Contact Ken</i>			

Race Format - Two runs of Slalom on Saturdays and two runs of Giant Slalom on Sundays

December 15 & 16, 2018	Appalachian Mt, NC Race	<u>9:30</u>
January 05 & 06, 2019	Sugar Mt, NC Race	<u>9:00</u>
January 12-19, 2019	Crescent Ski Council Ski Week Crested Butte	
January 26 & 27, 2019	Appalachian Mt, NC Race	<u>9:30</u>
February 4, 2019	Cup Run Challenge at Snowshoe, WV	
February 09 & 10, 2019	Beech Mt, NC Race	<u>10:00</u>
February 23 & 24, 2019	Sugar Mt, NC Race	<u>9:00</u>
Dec. 15-16/18 March 2-3/19	Governor's Cup Race at Timberline, WV	9:30
March 3, 2019	Dick Trundy/Sugar Cup GS Sugar Mt.	9:00
March 08-10, 2019	Crescent Cup, SilverCreek, WV	<u>8:45</u>

April 03-07, 2019 NASTAR Nationals Squaw Valley, Calif. Rich Mead
DEC. 1-8, 2018 CSC Racing's 35th RACE CAMP @ STEAMBOAT-START PLANNING
NOW AND CALL SARA OR GO ON-LINE AT S.A.T. TO RESERVE YOUR SPACE!
 Crescent Cup race format will be both GS and SL races on Saturday, weather permitting.
 GS will start at 8:45 – SL start time TBA – dependant on conditions and set-up time.

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December 1-8th 35th Annual Crescent Ski Council Race/Ski/Ride Camp. (IKON PASS)
Email contact: Sara Clemons (sara@sportsamerica.com)
Margaret Crum (mcrum@charter.net)

Currently Asheville has 20 members of 147 total signed up for the 35th Steamboat Ski and Race Camp. Reminder that this is CSC's 50th Anniversary! Refine your skills in December and then put them to use on our trips!



January 12th -19th- Crescent Ski Council trip (EPIC PASS)
Email Contact: Sara Clemons (sara@sportsamerica.com)
Greg Caspers (gccaspers@gmail.com)

So far 20 from ASC and over 130 council wide. Plaza has 1 master bedroom left and handful of suites at Grand Lodge. Final payment Dec 15th.



January 26-Feb.2nd Club Trip (IKON PASS)
Email contact: Jeff Kenrick (jkenrick@aol.com)
SOLD OUT



February 16th-23rd Club Trip (MOUNTAIN COLLECTIVE PASS)(IKON PASS)
Email Contact: Paul (paultdobson@gmail.com)
We have 12 signed up so far, with 4 probable. Need 4 more! Skiing for all levels. New lifts. Group trip to town (dinner at Roger's house). No group air for this trip. Need single male and single female.



March 23-31 International Club Trip (not including time required going to and return- ing from LAX)
(EPIC PASS)
Email Contact: Jan (janvandine@gmail.com) **SOLD OUT**



TBD-End of Season Crescent Ski Council Race Finals- All Welcome (IKON PASS)
Email Contact: Jeff (jkenrick@aol.com)
Sign-up deadline Jan. 10th

See posters on following pages

Steamboat 35th Annual **Race/Ski/Ride Camp**

December 1-8, 2018



TRIP INCLUDES:



7 Nights Lodging

The Lodge at Steamboat



6 Day Lift Pass

Kids Ski Free (12 & Under) when parents purchase ticket



5 Day Lesson Package



Group Events

Welcome Reception, Western BBQ Dinner, Apres Parties
3 Mountain Lunches, Awards Banquet w/door prizes

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The Plaza Condominiums



CRESCENT SKI WEEK 2019!!

January 12-19, 2019

- 7 nights at The Plaza (2/3bdrm condos) or The Grand Lodge (studios)
- 5 day lift pass valid at Crested Butte. 3/4/6 day options
- Ground Transportation to Crested Butte
- Social Activities include Welcome Reception, Apres Ski Parties, Trip Dinner, souvenir and more!
- Group rate discounts on equipment rentals
- **OPTIONAL:** Group air to Montrose (\$614, limited space)
- **OPTIONAL:** Travel Protection plan available

For more
information:

Greg Caspers:
970-443-7041
ggcaspers@gmail.com

BASE GROUND PACKAGE
ONLY **\$1065** per person



Register online: <http://csc CrestedButte.sat.tours>
www.ashevilleskiclub.com



Steamboat®

JAN 26-FEB 2, 2019



Package:

Complete Package Includes:

\$1,627 pp

- 7 Nights at *The Lodge At Steamboat*: \$754.00
- R/T Air into Hayden: \$570.00
- Transfers with grocery stop
- 5 Day Lift Ticket: \$303.00
- \$50 food credit will be in the form of (5) \$10 lunch vouchers (*group must purchase 25 - 5Day Lift Tickets*)
- Group Activities

**Pricing & schedules subject to change.*

For Details Contact:

Jeff Kenrick

jeffcre@exitrealtyvistas.com



IKON
PASS



<https://www.winterskiandsport.com/shop>

TAOS



A WEEK IN TAOS, NEW MEXICO

February 16-23, 2019

- 7 nights lodging at The Inn at Snakedance
2bed/2bath deluxe condos
- 5 day lift pass.
Ikon Passholders deduct \$433
- Group ground transportation
- Welcome Reception, souvenir vest,
baggage handling and more!
- Discounted ski week lesson program available
- **OPTIONAL:** Group air to Albuquerque
From Greenville via United - add \$346
- **OPTIONAL:** Travel Protection plan available

For more
information:

Paul Dobson:

828-775-5132

pauldobson@gmail.com

BASE GROUND PACKAGE

\$1331 per person



Register online: http://asc_taos.sat.tours
www.asheilleskiclub.com

Taos Ski Trip Additional Info

Taos now accepts the IKON PASS, with Feb 17 as a blackout date.

This trip will include 7 nights lodging at SNAKEDANCE, a liftside property. Also included is a 5 day lift ticket.

A new high speed Quad is being built 50 ft from the SNAKEDANCE.

There are 13 lifts for the 1300 acres at TAOS, which has 110 trails and over 3000 ft vertical.

There is skiing for EVERYONE. The mountain provides 25% green 25% blue 50% black...Enough for everyone at any level.

Discounted ski week lessons are available.

Shuttles to town for off days can be arranged.

Also included are a souvenir vest, baggage handling, welcome reception, and a group dinner in Taos at the home of Roger Mariani, former ASC member and operator of Snakedance.

All this for \$1331 plus airfare.

There is now group air available out of Greenville Spartanburg on United for \$346.

This will be an awesome trip. I hope to see YOU there.

Paul Dobson paultdobson@gmail.com





Asheville Ski & Outing Club presents **JAPAN** *March 23-31, 2019*

\$2260* includes: (*based on the Yen@110)

- Air from Los Angeles to Narita, Japan
- Meet/greet with local guide at Narita
- Transfers from Narita to Hakuba on private motor coach with English speaking guide
- 5 nights accommodations at the 4 star Hotel Mominoko
- Breakfast buffet daily
- Dinner at the hotel for 2 evenings (First and last nights)
- Luggage transfer between Hakuba and Tokyo Airport (2 bags per person)
- Transfers between Hakuba and Nagano via private coach
- Meet local assistant at Nagano Station to board train to Tokyo
- Transfer between Nagano and Tokyo via bullet train
- Meet at Tokyo Station with local guide for City tour of Tokyo, ending at Tokyo hotel
- 2 nights accommodations at the 4 star Shinagawa Prince Hotel
- Breakfast buffet daily in Tokyo
- Transfer between Tokyo and Narita Airport via private coach. All Local taxes
- All air taxes (subject to change until tickets are issued)

FLIGHT SCHEDULE on ANA: Subject to schedule changes

23 Mar	NH 175	LAX/NRT	11:20AM—3:20PM
31 Mar	NH 176	NRT/LAX	4:05PM —9:50AM

Contact: janvandine@gmail.com