



## THE ASHEVILLE AVALANCHE

### THE NEWSLETTER OF THE ASHEVILLE SKI CLUB

January 2022

[www.ashevilleskiclub.com](http://www.ashevilleskiclub.com)

### President's Message

Season's Greetings,

Happy New Year! I hope this message finds you all happy, healthy, recharged from the holidays, and ready for what 2022 is set to bring! Last year brought many obstacles and challenges as the pandemic continued to rear its ugly head. I appreciate every one of you for your continued support for the Asheville Ski Club and I promise to make 2022 one of the most exciting years yet for the club!

New Year's Resolution? You might ask. Well, we as a club have picked "growth" as our resolution! Last year our membership numbers fluctuated like a wave pool, however this was expected as the pandemic continued to dampen plans. We are resilient, I feel confident this year we can grow our club exponentially and it starts with all of us.

Participation in club events promotes networking, sharing and promoting across social media, and simple word of mouth helps get our name and mission out in the community. If you have ideas or suggestions that would help promote and grow our club do not hesitate to shoot us an email, we are excited to hear from you!

A quick note on trips as we approach our full calendar of winter trips, I encourage all who are participating to reach out to your trip leader and tour operator for the latest information on the status of the trips. Omicron is trying its best to flip the world upside down. Many countries and states are rapidly changing protocols and the chances of these affecting your trip are very high. Stay up to date on your itineraries and make sure you have completed all the necessary requirements so you can travel and have a great time on your trip!



See more of my comments next page...



## President's Message (continued)

The ASC Race Team looked more like a golf team for the first race of the season at Appalachian Mountain. The unseasonably warm temperatures prevented the mountain from making and retaining snow, thus having to cancel the first race. Fingers crossed for better conditions for the next race at Sugar Mountain, January 8-9<sup>th</sup>. Racing is open to all members, all ages, contact Erik Sandstedt if you are interested in participating!

This month's gathering will be on the snow! Thursday, January 13<sup>th</sup> we will meet at Cataloochee Ski Area for a night session of skiing and boarding. If you don't ski or board, we would still love to have you, cozy up in the lodge or give it a go, lessons and rentals are available! We will begin to gather upstairs in the lodge in the cafeteria area around 4:45 ready to hit the snow, the session begins at 5pm. Hang around after for drinks and socializing in the upstairs bar!

Cheers to 2022!

*Tyler Melton*

President

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## **NEXT MEETING**

**Date: Thursday, January 13, 2022**

**Location: Cataloochee Ski Area**

**Time: 4:45 pm, Session at 5:00 pm**



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Our January meeting will be on Thursday the 13th, 4:45 - 5:00 pm, at Cataloochee Ski Area, upstairs at the lodge cafeteria. Bring skis or boards for night skiing, or just hang out.

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**See [ashevilleskiclub.com](http://ashevilleskiclub.com) for signup. Lake Tahoe is receiving a lot of snow. It is not too late to sign up for Heavenly. Send a note to Bill Melton [skibill@charter.net](mailto:skibill@charter.net) or phone 828.243.4366**

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Mountain Biking at Bent Creek - Every Wednesday at 5:00pm.

Meet at Ledford parking lot. **When virus threat is over.**

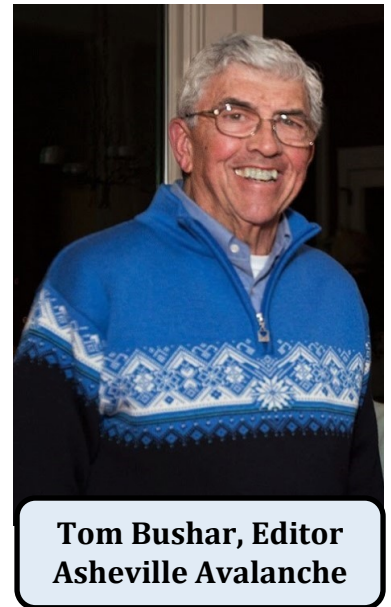
Gary Swinea [gswinea@yahoo.com](mailto:gswinea@yahoo.com)



## Newsletter Editor's Notes

What happened to our winter??? That darn COVID stole it! COVID is being blamed for everything that's bad, so I'm blaming it for the unseasonably warm weather. Just look at this picture from Sugar Mountain the first day of racing there. We just might have to invent some new ski wax for these ski conditions.

Anyway, ASC members are tough, so we say...



We have 4 new memberships: Charly & Amy Schieren, Kendall Wick, John Williams and Rebecca Merrill (pictured).



Keep informed of CSC trip status by visiting <https://www.crescentskicouncil.org/> and check ASC trip status by visiting [ashevilleskiclub.com](http://ashevilleskiclub.com) and click on trips. You can also visit many past editions of the Avalanche by clicking Newsletter then Archives on our website.

*Tom Bushar*

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### Other Reminders

- If you are a new member, email your name and picture to me at [tbushar@gmail.com](mailto:tbushar@gmail.com) or to Jim Baker at [james\\_baker100@att.net](mailto: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](mailto: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.



# ASHEVILLE SKI CLUB LEADERSHIP CONTACTS

2021-2022 updated 8/28/21

## EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

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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>	<b>Total</b>

### 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: \_\_\_\_\_

## STEAMBOAT SKI AND RACE CAMP 2021

What an unusual trip and year. Asheville started out with 38 registered trip participants, but due to a lack of snow, cancellation of kid's program, and full refunds on lessons and lifts, we ended up with 31 people on the trip. Several new members signed up for this trip. CSC had 269 registered and ended up with 204.....participants were ready to see their old friends and make new ones. Over half of the entire group were first timers which tells you a lot about the trip.

Despite the lack of snow and only having 5 runs available, instructors delivered top notch instruction with an opportunity to work on more technical components than had all the slopes been open. Even though racers only had "stubbies" to race around, new skills were learned and other skills were refined. A "first" this year was a night race rather than the normal day race. Only CSC was allowed on the slopes and lifts for the race. Turner Foster was the only one from Asheville that raced!

All the social events were held and the group stayed in new lodging- Trappeur's Crossing! New also was the private sale hosted by SteamboatTorian Sports.

The BBQ Dinner and Dance was held at the top of Thunderhead....delicious food and great music by house band SunDog! This was their first gig since 2020 and they were excited it was with CSC. Several of our members walked away with door prizes.

The Farewell Awards Dinner was a success as usual....some from our clubwalked away with great door prizes!

Steamboat is undergoing major renovations and expansion.....next yearphase 1 of a second gondola will be open, new terrain and more snowmaking, an ice skating rink will be ready.....stay tuned!

*Until 2022.....*





## 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.



[www.spyder.com](http://www.spyder.com)



<https://peakperformancecamp.com/>



simplysteamboat

<https://www.simplysteamboat.com/>



ALPINE SKI CENTER

[www.alpineskicenter.com](http://www.alpineskicenter.com)



[www.bananaboat.com](http://www.bananaboat.com)



**ATOMIC**

<https://www.atomic.com/en-us>



Rich Mead  
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**DRAFT 2021/2022 Crescent Ski Council Race Series**

December 4 - 11, 2021	Steamboat Race Camp—Call Sports America Tours 800 876 8551
December 5, 2020	CSC Development Training at Appalachian 9:00 to 3:00
December 10-12, 2020	Sugar Mt. Race Camp Call Kim Jöchl 828 898 4521 x224

Gate Training *at Appalachian* Friday evenings before first 4 NC Crescent Races

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

**December 18 & 19, 2021 Appalachian Mtn, NC Race 9:30**

**January 8 & 9, 2022 Sugar Mtn, NC Race 9:00**

January 15-22, 2021 Crescent Ski Council Ski Week

**January 29 & 30, 2022 Appalachian Mtn, NC Race 9:30**

February 7, 2022 Cup Run Challenge at Snowshoe, WV

**February 12 & 13, 2022 Beech Mtn, NC Race 9:30**

**February 26 & 27, 2022 Sugar Mtn, NC Race 9:00**

March TBA 2022 Governor's Cup Race at Timberline, WV 9:30

March TBA 2022 Dick Trundy/Sugar Cup GS Sugar Mt. 9:00

**March 11 - 13, 2022 Crescent Cup TBA**

March TBA 2022 NASTAR Nationals

**DEC. 4-11, 2021 CSC Racing's 38th RACE CAMP @ STEAMBOAT—PLAN NOW! REGISTER ONLINE <https://www.crescentskicouncil.org/clubtrips.html>**



# A Fresh, New Winter Season at Sugar Mountain Resort

**Sugar Mountain Ski Resort, North Carolina – Tuesday, October 12, 2021** – The falling leaves, brisk days, and nightly temperatures near freezing are tantalizing reminders that a fresh, new winter season is quickly approaching and Sugar Mountain Resort's improvements and upgrades will tease the snow enthusiast even more.

This season, at Sugar Mountain Resort, a new four-passenger, Doppelmayr lift will carry snow seekers midway up Sugar Mountain's east side. The brand new 2,000 foot long, fixed grip chairlift, renamed the Big Birch chairlift, services the Big Birch slope, and provides access to Oma's Meadow. It replaces the former triple Green chairlift and is the Resort's fourth installation in six years.

Five additional, fully automated SMI snow making machines outfitted along the tree line on Oma's Meadow will compliment Mother Nature's supply of winter's wonderful white stuff and aim to open the locals' favorite slope sooner than later. An innovative, 600W Piston Bully Winch Cat will replace an aging replica and ensure a reliable fleet combs the ski slopes an imperial carpet of corduroy, twice, every single day.

When guests pull up by car or bus to Sugar Mountain Resort, the familiar frost heaves and frozen ruts of the past will barely be remembered as visitors drive over the newly paved entrance and parking lots around the base lodge.

Andreas Griesbauer, a native of the Bavarian city of Neuburg on the Donau in Germany, joins the Sugar Mountain Resort team this autumn as the company's graphic designer and information technology manager. Before joining Sugar Mountain Resort, Andreas worked for Tyrolean Airlines, Binder Metal Goods, and the Austrian ski resort Gschwanfkopf Lifte Seefeld. He is replacing Florian Kasper, who is leaving the company to develop his own business.

All that is new this season at Sugar Mountain Resort are welcome signs that a fresh, new winter season is upon us.

Sugar Mountain Resort is North Carolina's largest snow-sports resort providing the best skiing, snowboarding, ice skating, tubing, and snowshoeing experience possible. Historical winter season opening dates and annual natural snowfall totals are found [here](#). For opening day information please call 828-898-4521 or visit [www.skisugar.com](http://www.skisugar.com).

###

Contact: [Kimberley Jöchl](#)  
828-898-4521 x262





## **Three cheers for the Asheville Ski Club!**

Asheville Ski Club always has great ski trips and other events that all can enjoy at reasonable prices.

The Zermatt, Utah Multisport Adventure trip took place in July and included whitewater rafting, hiking, swimming, riding trains and partying for a week. The France ski trip and extension are full with 42 people; Whitefish is full with 29 people.

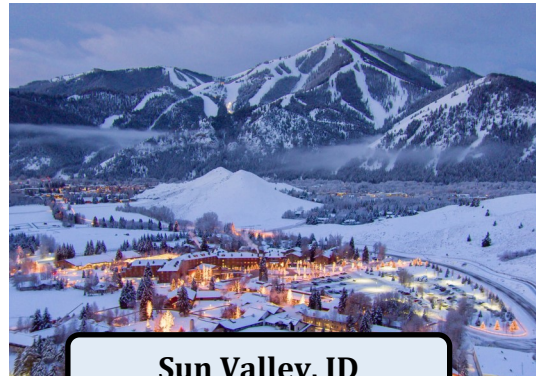
We always have room on the Council trips if you don't wait too long to sign up and this year in addition to the December Steamboat race camp they will be going to Sun Valley, Idaho, in January.

Also, there is still room on the March club trip to Heavenly at South Lake Tahoe. Heavenly is aptly named, and there is so much too do when you're not skiing that you'll wonder why we haven't been there more often. Plus, your Epic pass works there.

Newly added is the ASC/OAT Real Affordable Peru trip. You don't want to be left behind. It's more fun to travel with people you know and to make new friends while you're at it.



**Steamboat, CO**



**Sun Valley, ID**



**Meribel, FR**



**Whitefish, MT**



**Heavenly, S. Lake Tahoe, CA**



**Peru**

**And now, this suggestion from Jan Van Dine,,,**

## **Now Is The Time To Make A Ski Trip Bucket List**

While looking through some of my favorite websites, I came upon an article in “On The Snow” entitled “Ski Trip Bucket List.” It proceeded to list resorts every skier should ski at least once in a lifetime. I was delighted and amazed that I had skied every one of them! But the beauty lay in the fact that 11 of the 12 resorts I had gone to as a result of being a member of the Asheville Ski and Outing Club.

Here are the 12 resorts “you simply must do if you are a skier.”

1. Kitzbuhel, Austria
2. Chamonix, France
3. Jackson Hole, Wyoming
4. Val D’Isere, France
5. Cortina, Italy
6. Banff, Canada
7. Niseko, Japan
8. St. Anton, Austria
9. St. Moritz, Switzerland
10. Les 3 Vallees, France
11. Whistler, Canada
12. Zermatt, Switzerland

I have led groups to seven of the 12. To be fair, I don’t know if we went to Niseko, Japan. There are as many little ski resorts as there are islands and only one of the three or four I went to that I remember was Hakuba, but since I don’t plan to ever go back, I’m counting it. The other five resorts I went as a participant and not a leader.

How many have you been to, and how many would you like to go to? Now is a good time to let trip leaders know. Many clubs have already made contracts with resorts for 2023. Don’t just tell the trip leaders you are interested. Tell them when you prefer to go (ie. only in January; only during spring school break, etc.) and how many people you could also talk into going.

There are some resorts I would have added to the list. My all-time favorite ski resort was the Sella Ronda in Italy. And Briancon, France was stunningly beautiful. Vail (though incredibly expensive now) was fun, but the United States has many really nice resorts. The club always does several domestic trips.

And don’t forget the trips for non-skiers! Our bike and boat trip through four countries on the Danube River during Oktoberfest was great. We also have a small group adventure going to Machu Pichu with a few spots still open.

Now is the time to let your wants be known! Speak up, talk among yourselves, and let the Trips Committee (or one of its members, or the club President or VP) know what you would sign up for if it were only offered.

It’s your club. Speak boldly!





## TRIP INFORMATION

**Crescent Ski Week – Sun Valley, ID**

**January 15-22, 2022**



**SIGN-UP:** All applicants must be a member of a Crescent Ski Council affiliated club **by Nov 1, 2020** to participate. Applicant's membership will be verified by CSC. Everyone must register directly with CSC's travel agent, **Sports America Tours (SAT)**. All registrations must be completed online at [www.sportsamerica.com/csctrips](http://www.sportsamerica.com/csctrips). Assistance is provided by calling 800-876-8551 ext 125. If paying by check, **make payable to SAT**. (Payment must be received within 15 days of online registration).

**REGISTRATION PERIOD:** Registration begins **June 15, 2021**.

**PACKAGE COST (VARIES): \$1450 is the Starting Base price.** Other rates/options are shown below.

### WHAT'S INCLUDED IN PACKAGE:

- 7 nights lodging at choice property
- 5 day lift pass
- Airport Ground Transportation
- Welcome Reception
- Mountain Lunch
- Farwell Dinner & Dance
- Trip Souvenir

### WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED IN PACKAGE:

- Credit Card Fee (3% add-on if CC is used)
- Air Fare (SAT will handle for you if you wish)
- Trip Insurance
- Other meals not specifically listed
- Equipment rentals (CSC discounts available)

*\*Due to government health regulations, social events may be changed or prohibited, and applicable credits would be provided.*

**per PERSON RATES (prices based on payment by check - add 3% if using credit card)**

PACKAGE PRICING		
Deluxe Lodge Apartments	2bd/2ba or 3bd/3ba	\$1450
Sun Valley Inn	King Hotel	\$1490
Sun Valley Inn	QQ Hotel	\$1535

DEVIATIONS	
Lifts – Non-skier or Passholder	(\$346)
Lifts – add 6 <sup>th</sup> day	Add \$50
Lifts – 4 day	TBD
Lifts – 3 day	TBD
No Airport Transfers	(\$98)
Sun Valley Airport deduct	(\$98)

### LODGING INFORMATION:

**Deluxe Lodge Apartments** Deluxe Lodge Apartment condos give you all the privacy and comfort of an apartment while letting you enjoy the benefits of being so close to everything happening at the Lodge. Catch an ice show, take a dip in the heated pool and sauna, or roll some balls down the lanes at the Lodge's own bowling alley. The condos come in two- and three-bedroom units, and each one has a large marble bath, a cozy gas fireplace, a living room, a kitchen and a dining table that seats six.

**Sun Valley Inn** Newly renovated, luxury rooms include in-drawer refrigerator and a coffee, tea bar. Choice of King or two Queen beds. Located in the heart of the Sun Valley Village and offers its own outdoor pool, fitness center, restaurants and lobby bar.

### QUESTIONS:

**Travel Agent – Sports America Tours**  
 Sara Clemons – [csc@sportsamerica.com](mailto:csc@sportsamerica.com)  
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**Additional property descriptions & availability is listed online at**  
[www.sportsamerica.com/csctrips](http://www.sportsamerica.com/csctrips).





**The Asheville Ski & Outing Club Presents**  
**MERIBEL, FRANCE JAN 22-29, 2022**  
**\$1580**

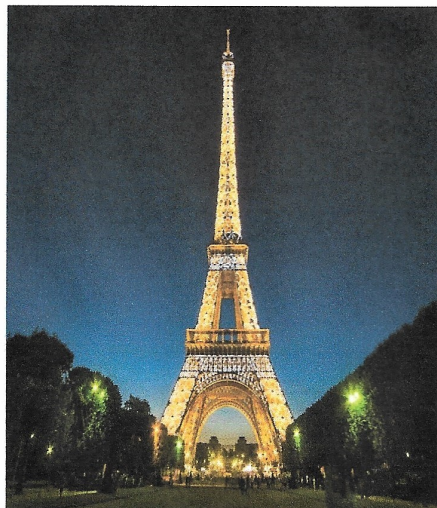


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Museum/beaches  
and Paris \$751**



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- **OPTIONAL AIR FROM ASHEVILLE**

Contact: [janvandine@gmail.com](mailto:janvandine@gmail.com)



**PRICE BASED ON EURO @ 1-\$1.21**  
**PRICE BASED ON 42 PEOPLE**



## **Whitefish, Montana**

**February 19-26, 2022**

**TOTAL PRICE PER GUEST: \$978**

### **PACKAGE BREAKDOWN:**

**Lodging - \$643**

**Ground Transfers - \$23**

**Lift Tickets - \$312**

**LIFT TICKETS: 5-day adult ticket valid at Whitefish Mountain.**

**Alternate lift options are available as follows:**

<b><u>Adult</u></b>	<b><u>Senior/Teen</u></b>	<b><u>Super Senior</u></b>
<b>4-day Subtract \$62</b>	<b>Subtract \$97</b>	<b>Subtract \$234</b>
<b>5-day DEFAULT</b>	<b>Subtract \$43</b>	<b>Subtract \$215</b>
<b>6-day Add \$62</b>	<b>Add \$10</b>	<b>Subtract \$196</b>

### **AMENITIES:**

- **Welcome reception hosted by the property with snacks, beer, and wine. Welcome gift bag for each guest**
- **Daily hot breakfast**
- **Complimentary ski shuttles**
- **Roundtrip Baggage Handling at property \*Porterage price may increase if the group arrives after 11 pm or departs before 7 am.**

**GROUND TRANSFERS: Round trip transportation between Kalispell airport and the Lodge at Whitefish Lake. Does not include driver gratuity.**



**Snow Ghosts at Whitefish**

Here is a message from Whitefish Outfitters & Tours

Hello Everyone,

My name is Jess and I'm the General Manager at Whitefish Outfitters & Tours. I'm reaching out because we've (finally) put together a ski club landing page for your groups this winter. Here is some basic information for you guys to pass along:

- Our tours will be private to your ski club, but aggregated together. Our largest vehicle is a 14-passenger van. We can accommodate larger groups by incorporating other vehicles.
- Fernie ski trips are possible, but we're waiting to see what the resort is going to do in regards to passes, reservations, vaccination, etc before booking those trips and taking deposits.
- Pricing for Snowmobiling and Sleigh Rides are still in the works... as is our relationship with the Dog Sledding outfitter. All of that pricing and information will be updated on the website as I receive it.
  - These trips will require significant, advanced notice- especially dog sledding, if I can make it happen. So please pass along to your group members- advanced booking is the name of the game and trip insurance is HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.
- I'm happy to put together a custom day for the group, complete with a stop for lunch. Large group itineraries take extra planning (as you know all-too-well), but bring on the requests! We're happy to help plan.
- Your webpage, available to all ski clubs, is [www.whitefishoutfitters.com/skiclub](http://www.whitefishoutfitters.com/skiclub) Please note that you'll need to type this address in, as it is not available on our main page for pricing reasons.

From what I understand, it's going to be a busy winter season with ski clubs this year. I've added a question in each booking- "What Ski Club are you with?" – so we're able to keep track of everyone

Feel free to reach out to me directly with questions. You will also be working closely with Hunter, our main reservationist, for custom trip requests.

We're looking forward to hosting your group in Whitefish this winter!

Have a great week,

Jess

**Jess O'Hearne**  
*General Manager*





## South Lake Tahoe, California/Nevada

**March 12-19, 2022**

Lake Tahoe Resort Hotel

*All room are suites with breakfast included each day*

<https://www.tahoeresorthotel.com/>



**Heavenly Mountain Resort** is a [ski resort](#) located on the California–Nevada border in [South Lake Tahoe](#) in the Sierra Nevada Mountain Range spread between California and Nevada. The resort has 4,800 acres. 3,500 vertical ft. Base elevation is 6,255 ft. and a peak elevation of 10,067 ft.

### Plenty of things to do in South Lake Tahoe

- *Ski Heavenly Mountain*
- *Snowmobiling, Dog sledding, Snowshoeing in Emerald Bay*
- *500 ft. tubing lanes that pass through gorgeous scenery*
- *Casinos close by*
- *M.S. Dixie II Sightseeing & Sunset Dinner Cruises*

Starting at \$764.00. Transfer from Reno is included. Lift ticket options will vary depending on the number of ski days. Heavenly Valley Mountain participates on the EPIC ski pass.

Easy registration via Sports America **Tours.** <http://asoc-laketahoe.sat.tours>

Trip leader – Bill Melton [skibill@charter.net](mailto:skibill@charter.net)

## *"California Dreaming"*

One of the coolest things about skiing Heavenly in South Lake Tahoe is skiing from California into Nevada and back. As you are skiing along the mountain ridge, you look down one side and see spectacular views of Lake Tahoe with its beautiful deep blue water against the pure white snow. Then you look on the other side into Nevada's desert, with the striking difference all the more obvious.

Heavenly is the highest and biggest resort in Lake Tahoe, with 4,800 acres of pistes, four freestyle parks, widely spaced tree skiing (reportedly the best tree skiing in North America), snowmaking on 70% of its pistes to make the resort snow sure, great nightlife, and plenty of skiing for every level of skier.

And for non-skiers, or those on their days off? Well, there's the boat trip on the Tahoe Queen, hot air balloon rides, snow biking, snow tubing, tobogganing, ziplines, ice-skating, cross-country skiing and snowmobiling. And don't forget the shopping and 24 hour nightlife!

The days are longer in March, the sky is bluer, it's a bit warmer, and the snow is very deep by then. There is already a 3 foot base and it's only November!

We've got great lodging in what was formerly the Embassy Suites. Every room is a suite complete with a microwave and fridge. Hot breakfasts are included and we're a short walk to the gondola. Does it get any better than this?

Don't miss this chance to ski one of North America's most beautiful resorts while supporting the Asheville Ski Club and joining other club members in a fantastic vacation.

See you there!





**2022 Proposal: Asheville Ski Club**

Trip	Max group size	Departure date	Return date	# doubles/singles reserved//release date	Airfare GSP or AVL	NET rate PP (double occupancy)	Single Supplement
<b>Real Affordable Peru</b>	16	6/4/22	6/15/22	6 Doubles and 4 Singles.	\$1380	\$1995	FREE

**Main Trip Includes:**

- 24 meals – 10 breakfasts, 9 lunches, 5 dinners
- 9 small group activities
- 10 nights accommodations – 3 nights Lima, 2 nights Sacred Valley, 2 nights Machu Picchu, 3 nights Cusco
- Services of our resident, professional OAT trip leader
- Bottled water with included lunches and dinners
- Entrance fees to the archeological sites and museums mentioned
- Gratuities for local guides, drivers, and luggage porters

**Highlights:**

- **People to People:** Andean lunch with an Urubamba family in their home
- **OAT Exclusive:** Day In The Life in the village of Chinchero
- **Unique Transportation:** River raft ride on the Urubamba River
- Explore the lost city of Machu Picchu twice during a two night stay—a chance to witness the mystical Incan ruins both in the early morning light and late afternoon, before and after the large crowds
- Learn about enduring Inca traditions by participating in a curandero healing ceremony, performed by a mestizo (medicine man) who draws on both ancient and modern substances and symbols
- Immerse yourself in A Day in the Life of a Andean community, where you'll encounter, spirited schoolchildren (when in session) performing traditional Peruvian songs and dances
- Float along the Urubamba River by raft, passing through an enchanting landscape of terraces that transformed the mountains into acres of arable land that fed the Incas
- Walk amid the splendid fortress of Ollantaytambo, a gray- and rose-colored granite fortress where we'll discover ancient baths and climb up terraces into sacred temples
- Delve into Cuzco's (UNESCO) fascinating blend of ancient Incan sites and Spanish colonial architecture, stroll its picturesque narrow lanes, and visit the shops of its many artisans
- Join a Peruvian family for a Home-Hosted Lunch, help to prepare a traditional dish, and dine on Peruvian specialties while learning what modern daily life is like in the Sacred Valley
- Local Trip Leader: Gain an insider's perspective alongside your local OAT Trip Leader when you explore Peru—from the lost city of Machu Picchu, to the bustling streets of Cuzco
- Small groups, big discoveries: Learn about enduring Inca traditions by participating in a curandero healing ceremony, performed by a mestizo medicine man who draws on both ancient and modern substances and symbols



- Immersive cultural connections: Immerse yourself in A Day in the Life of a Andean community, where you'll encounter young, spirited schoolchildren (when in session), who will perform traditional Peruvian songs and dances
- Two night stay at the foot of Machu Picchu. Enjoy a second day visit to the Lost City of the Inca Empire.

**AIR PRICING:** We are able to offer personalized air for your travelers: Upgrades, airline requests, routing requests, break-aways, stopovers, etc. Round trip airport transfers are included in air pricing.

**RATES DO NOT INCLUDE:** passport and visa fees (unless otherwise indicated); travel insurance; meals not specified in Tour brochure; items of a personal nature such as: laundry, bar charges, alcoholic beverages, telephone/internet/telex/cable charges; excess baggage charges; forwarding of baggage/souvenirs and gratuities for Tour Manager. (exclusions apply to both main program and extensions)

**BLOCKED SPACE:** OAT is reserving 6 doubles and 4 Singles as indicated in the chart above. The single rooms are interchangeable to doubles, but may not be increased. Space will not be released from Asheville Ski Club's allotment without prior notice given to Wayne Bailey. Further, OAT agrees that Asheville Ski Club will have an exclusive departure when the following minimum passenger counts are reached for the respective tours: Main Program: Real Affordable Peru: 13. At less than 13, incremental costs are pre-determined and included below. If less than 13 travelers Asheville Ski Club can pay an additional cost to keep the tour private with just their group or the departure date can be opened up for sales to the general public.

# of travelers	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Incremental per person Cost	\$ 1,150	\$ 800	\$ 600	\$ 450	\$ 350	\$ 250	\$ 200	\$ 100	\$ 50

**SCHEDULE OF PASSENGER PAYMENTS:** A deposit of \$350 per person. Final payment is due 90 days prior to departure. After the initial deposit. There are no additional payments required until 90 days prior to departure. There are no deposits required to hold this departure date for Asheville Ski Club. Travelers will call OAT directly to inquire and book.

**RISK FREE BOOKING OFFER Book By 12/31/21:** 2022 reservations: SAVE \$500 per person. Also save a FULL 10% off the total price of your trip with our Good Buy Plan. (Good Buy Plan needs to be paid in full with a checking account). The 10% discount requires full payment with a checking account 2 weeks after making your deposit. This offer expires 12/31/21.

**PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL:** OAT will create flyers and can conduct a ZOOM presentation for the group.

**COMMISSIONS:** Asheville Ski Club will be paid 10% commission of the net sales for all travelers on this trip. This will be paid approximately 1 week prior to departure.

Commission based on the total net sale of the group, excluding the Travel Protection Plan, business class/premium economy upgrades, Good Buy Discounts, and applied Frequent Traveler Credits, Vacation Ambassador Credits, or other Credits. The group must reach a minimum of 11 paying travelers to be eligible for compensation. All 11 travelers must be on the same base departure date to qualify for compensation. Last minute cancellations will result in an adjustment to your compensation, as passengers must travel in order for compensation to be earned.

**REFERRAL BONUS PLAN:** \$1,000 paid to Asheville Ski Club for new groups referred to GCT/OAT. Referred to us by you that sizes a group (11 or more travelers). Bonus will be paid 30 days after the group's return from their first trip.



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## Member Business Cards

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*The greatest compliment you can give is a referral.*

## ASC/Kit Lenders Offer

Kit Lenders has offered us discounts for Asheville Ski Club members to rent "soft" wear like jackets, pants, gloves, and helmets. Also for summer gear as well. They will give us a 10% rebate back that goes directly to the club as a fundraiser.

We have added the promotion to the Perks tab.

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