

SLO SKIERS, INC.

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MEETINGS 1st Wednesday of the month

at the
SLO Elks Lodge
222 Elks Lane, SLO

SOCIAL: 6:00pm
MEETING: 7:00pm
Board Meeting: 5:30pm

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Annual Dues: \$40
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SUMMER BIKE RIDE SCHEDULE *First Friday of the Month*

UPCOMING RIDES:

SEPT 4th
Bob Jones
Pathway
10am

SEPT 20th
SLO to
Lopez Lake
9am

OCT 2-4th
Morro Bay



Official Newsletter of *The SLO Skiers Club, Inc.*
A Ski, Sport and Social Club

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SEPTEMBER 2015

A Message From Our President...

I sometimes feel like a bit of a broken record when thanking those who work so diligently to make sure the rest of us have lots of fun activities at our disposal throughout the month.

Kara Edwall, our bike ride lady, planned and led a nice cool ride along the coast in August. Once again, thank you Kara. **Diane Mandala**, in the spotlight again, planned our BBQ-less gathering in Templeton Park for a delicious pot luck, wonderful friendship, and entertaining music by Monte Mills. Thank you, Diane. **Pete Sarafian** is becoming quite a regular, planning another great hike for August. Thank you, Pete. **Lauren Nagle** hosted our August Bubble Down...a wine down with a twist. It was a great event, with many "old time" ski club members showing up to wish two-time past SLO Skiers president, Sandy Bane, a happy 70th birthday. Thank you for opening your house to all of us, Lauren.



President Fran Long

All of our board members are busy, and all of them take their positions very seriously. We have a couple of members who have been busier than normal the past month or so, and I would like to give a shout out to them as well. As you know, **Lauren** has been working overtime to get our two week long ski trips ready to sell. She's done it, and you can sign up at the September meeting. **Michael Krebsbach**, new at the philanthropy position, has spent many hours putting together a proposal to give all of you, our club members, an opportunity to be involved in deciding where we spend our charitable contribution dollars. Thank you, Michael, for offering us this new direction.

Think about attending our second meeting of the month for September to hone your Meetup skills. The first 45 minutes will be for those who feel like they know nothing. That will be followed by a more in-depth look at how to navigate the site, send emails, post on the message board, etc. Those attending the first session will be ready for more advanced info, so plan to stay the entire time. Since we have a BBQ on the third Wednesday, we'll have this meeting on an alternate date to be announced at the September meeting.

Congratulations to our July SLO Skier of the Month, **Kara Edwall**. Kara is a new member, joining just before the Big White trip last March. She has taken over as our bike ride organizer, planning the routes and leading the rides. She is doing a fantastic job! If you haven't gone on any of her rides yet, you are missing out. Think about the September ride. She'd love to have you along. It's a good thing you took over, Kara, as I haven't been able to do one ride yet, and it looks like I won't be able to do the September ride either.

Busy times are ahead for the SLO Skiers. The Turtle Auction is coming up in October, and we have Pray for Snow in November. One gives us \$\$ to help with trips, etc., the other is supposed to bring us snow. If all goes well, we'll have fantastic skiing in December!

August Walk Made Us Gawk

There were just five babes and Pete,
Who went hiking and then out to eat.
It was so superb,
There was nothing to curb
Our enthusiasm; it was so neat.

We went up hill and back down dale,
And crossed a jungle-like swale.
It wasn't scary,
There was even a dairy
There once; a historical tale!

And after this magical thrill,
We stopped at Cambria-the Main Street Grill.
We ate in the shade,
To a bird serenade,
And each of us then had our fill.

(You really missed the perfect weather
neener, neener.)



L to R: Lauren Nagle, Teresa Rice, Donna Etter, Pauline Michel (from France) and Kara Edwall enjoy the oaks and pine forest.

Photo credit: Pete Sarafian (who tried to stich himself into the photo but failed.)

Monte Mills & The Lucky Horseshoe Band

Look who was having fun at the August 19th concert in the Park! Monte Mills and the Lucky Horseshoe Band brought the house down in perfect fashion with their medley of old time country rock songs. A little two-steppin' and swingin' was all ya needed for a great time at Templeton Park!

Thanks Diane Mandala for a well planned "non-BBQ" event!



Snow Coverage Concerns

It seems the most common topic during SLO Skiers' conversations (or on their minds) is whether or not there will be good coverage in Park City or Telluride. Of course no one can predict the weather so all we have to fall back on is historical data. From a little bit of re-search we were able to find the following information.

SLO SKIERS , RESEARCH FOR OUT OF STATE WEEKLONG SKI TRIP....SNOW COVERAGE									
<i>FROM: on the snow.comm search your resort..go to historical snowfall..toggle down to base depth</i>									
DATE/STA	JAN. 15	FEB. 15	MAR. 15	MAR. 31		JAN. 15	FEB. 15	MAR. 15	MAR. 31
RESORT	DATE OF TRIP TELLURIDE FEB 20-27				RESORT	DATE OF TRIP PARK CITY MAR 19-26			
2015	44	42	64	60	2015	54	51	56	50
2014	51	64	73	75	2014	48	73	81	86
2013	27	46	52	50	2013	33	44	44	44
2012	31	63	56	56	2012	20	57	62	63
2011	49	54	62	68	2011	79	85	106	120
2010	35	53	73	73	2010	22	48	56	50

Bike Ride Update

The summer weather may still be heating up, but we kept cool on our ride on August 16 by taking in the coastal breeze. Ed Peltzman and Lauren Nagle made the trek out to Morro Bay, where we met before riding up to Cayucos. No SLO Skiers ride would be quite complete without something tasty to munch on along the way--in this case coffee, cinnamon rolls and brown butter cookies, oh my! There's still a few more rides coming up this season, and cycling is an excellent way to start getting your legs back in shape for skiing; see you on the road!



Summer Bike Schedule

We have a plenty of rides coming up on the schedule. It's a great time taking a bike riding adventure with your SLO Skier friends. Check out the schedule below and mark your calendar with the following bike ride dates. Exact locations and times will be announced on Meetup. Some rides will be local, and some will be combined with a campout. Don't forget your helmet!

Friday, September 4th First Friday Bob Jones Trail Ride

Sunday, September 20th Meet at the Elk's Lodge in SLO at 9am, ride hosted by Kara Edwell

Fri-Sun, October 2-4 Morro Bay Camp & Bike—Weekend campout in Morro Bay with other Central California ski clubs—**weekend hosted by Fran Long, ride hosted by Pete Sarafian**

Sunday, October 10th Templeton Wine & Roses 30 Mile Ride, Register now at:

wineandrosesride.com—**hosted by Fran Long...THIS RIDE HAS BEEN CANCELLED. FRAN CAN'T RIDE!**

Contact Fran with questions, or if you would be interested in hosting one of the rides email her at fancat87@gmail.com. We have lots of rides without a leader.

SLO SKIERS TURTLE AUCTION

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17

**South Bay Community Center
2180 Palisades Avenue, Los Osos**

Doors open at 5:30pm, Dinner at 6:00pm

FREE Food and Drinks!

The Turtle Auction is coming up at warp speed so now's the time to start finalizing your donations for the auction. We've set our fundraising goals high this year and our biggest goal is (drum roll please) **PARTICIPATION!** Bring yourself, bring your spouse or significant other, bring your friends, bring your dog...well second thought. Let's make this a really fun and successful event. Remember that participation is key as well as your purchases and what better way to spend an evening right? Come enjoy an awesome Santa Maria Style BBQ complete with Tri-Tip, Beans, Bread and salads...yes we said saladsss! Dessert you ask? Well...that's a surprise and you'll just have to join us to satisfy your sweet tooth!.

A special shout out goes to **Sharon Page** who's getting great donations from local businesses. Sharon you ROCK!! But hey....don't let Sharon do all the work. We still need YOUR donations and more. Whatever you can do to help is greatly appreciated. If you need any help with ideas or have any questions please don't hesitate to contact us:



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Please R.S.V.P. on Meet Up

This will help us plan for food and drink and we all know how much we like to nosh & slosh!

Live and Silent Auction



Here are some creative ideas for auction packages. Would you be willing to donate something like these? Check it out:

Drive a classic car for a day, includes picnic lunch
 Outdoor movie night at a private home, includes gourmet popcorn & snacks
 Dinner party for 6 people (do you know someone famous that could join you?)
 Charter Fishing Trip for Four
 Backyard Rib Fest for Party of 10
 Hand Painted Garden Stepping Stones (anyone out there an artist?)
 and the list goes on.....

Here's our donations so far. What are YOU going to donate?

<i>Wine Racks</i>	<i>Tahoe Joe's Cheesecake</i>
<i>Ice Chest</i>	<i>Discovery Dining Book</i>
<i>6 Days of Pet Sitting</i>	<i>Lube, Oil and Filter Service</i>
<i>Cottage Staycation</i>	<i>Two Night Stay at the Courtyard Marriott</i>
<i>Wine Tasting</i>	<i>Utility Trailer Rental</i>
<i>2 Night Solvang Getaway</i>	<i>Cal Poly Football Game Tickets & BBQ</i>
<i>Cooking Equipment</i>	<i>Day of Painting w/ jokes!</i>
<i>La Stone Massage</i>	<i>"Diva Girls" Slumber Party/Movie Night</i>
<i>SCUBA Lessons</i>	<i>Squaw Valley Vacation Rental</i>
<i>Two Nights Camping</i>	<i>Desk Chair</i>
<i>2 Rounds of Golf</i>	<i>Herbicide Spray</i>
<i>Italian Gift Pot</i>	<i>Tour of Elfin Forest Natural Preserve & Brunch</i>
<i>Window Cleaning Service</i>	<i>Poker Night</i>
<i>Homemade Ice Cream & Berry Pie</i>	<i>Girls Pink Tool Chest</i>
<i>Hand-crafted Items</i>	<i>Handyman Tools</i>
<i>Pet Sitting Services</i>	<i>Gourmet Gift Baskets</i>
<i>Gourmet Gift Baskets</i>	<i>Homemade Desserts</i>
<i>Garden & Home Décor</i>	<i>Italian Gift Basket</i>
<i>Custom Fire Place Mantel</i>	<i>Jewelry</i>
<i>Victorian Bird House</i>	

& much more.....

MORRO BAY CAMPOUT

OCTOBER 2-4, 2015

CENTRAL COUNCIL, FRESNO SKI CLUB, & SLO SKIERS



Join the SLO Skiers and Fresno Ski Club for a Weekend of Fun in Morro Bay

- Camp 2 Nights, Friday and Saturday
- BBQ Saturday Night
- Bike Ride on Saturday
- Golf on Saturday (Additional Cost)
- No Host Kayaking/Paddleboarding/Hiking Available (Additional Cost)

Limited Camping Available

- No hookups
- Sites for one RV plus tent
- 6 People/Site
- 3 Vehicles/Site
- Purchase entire site & share with your friends

Questions?

Contact Fran Long
fancat87@gmail.com

Trip Cost:

- \$90.00 Camp Fee + Saturday BBQ
- \$16.00 BBQ Only (Each Person)

Payment:

- Make Checks Payable to Central Council
- Mail Payment to:
Fran Long
PO Box 4395
Paso Robles, CA 93447



SLO Skiers BBQ Wednesday, September 16th *at the Stanley Resort!*

Bring your tents, campers or RVs and spend the night if the good times keep rolling and you don't want to drive home. Pam also has two single beds and a double bed for as many people as can fit on them.

BBQ starts at 5. Bring what you want to BBQ, a side dish and your favorite beverage. Michael Krebsbach is bringing his amazing ice cream and berry cobbler.

If you have instruments, bring them for the campfire. We'll have lots of marshmallows and s'more fixings.

We'll also have music and a place to dance for those of us with itchy feet.

The Stanley Resort address is 9295 Santa Margarita Rd. Atascadero, CA. Pam's number is 464-1662 if you need to call. pam@pamstanley.net for any email questions.

DIRECTIONS

Heading south on 101: Take the Santa Barbara exit. Turn left and follow Santa Barbara until it intersects El Camino, which is the first right. Take the right onto El Camino, go about 2 miles to Santa Margarita Road. There is a Convalescent Center at the corner. You can only turn right here. It's two driveways past the first speed bump, about 1/4 mile down the road.

Heading north on 101: Take the Exit 211 exit to Santa Margarita. It's the first exit off the 101 grade. Bring some water to help put out any smoldering embers from the Cuesta fire. Go through town and bear to the left onto El Camino at the end of town. Go about 2 miles and hang a left on Santa Margarita Rd. There is a Convalescent Center at the corner. You can only turn right here. It's two driveways past the first speed bump, about 1/4 mile down the road.

(Whatever you do, do not go straight at the end of town and over the railroad tracks. You will end up at the waterless Santa Margarita Lake. There is camping there, but no ski people.)

See you there!



PRAY FOR SNOW

DINNER & DANCE

Saturday, November 21

5 P.M. to 11 P.M.

255 Country Club Drive

San Luis Obispo, CA 93401



Cocktails & Hors d'oeuvres 5 PM – 6 PM
(No Host Bar & Corkage Fee cash only)

Dinner includes hors d'oeuvres, choice of entrée (Fish/Beef), salad, table wine and dessert

Dancing with the Storm Band

Price: Price to be announced
at September Meeting

Do you ever get all dress up with no place to go? Don't worry, we have the party for you! Come to the San Luis Country Club for one of SLO Skiers annual signature events - Pray For Snow! This formal affair at the San Luis Country Club will be a night of fine food, fine wine and fabulous entertainment.

Payment and choice of entrée will be due by Wednesday, November 4th
For more details please contact Janet Leonard at 805.440.8535.



SLO SKIERS PRESENT:

FEBRUARY 20—27 , 2016

PACKAGE INCLUDES:

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\$ 674 NON SKIER \$ 599 VAIL PASS PRICE



FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

PLEASE CONTACT TRIP LEADER; LAUREN NAGLE

MLNSKIER@GMAIL.COM 805-636-0477

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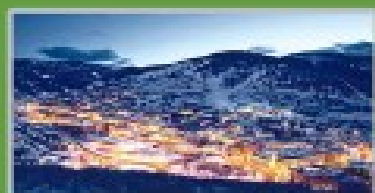


 **PARK CITY**

MARCH 19 - 26, 2016

Package Includes:

- Roundtrip Airfare: SFO to SLC via Delta Airlines
- Roundtrip Transfers: SLC to Lodging
- 7-Night Stay at the Park Station Condominiums
- 5-Day lift ticket for Park City / Canyons
- Welcome and Farewell Parties



Package Price:

\$1324

*per person
double occupancy*

- * **Non-Skiers:** \$1134
- * **Vail Pass Price:** \$1034

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please contact your trip leader:

LAUREN NAGLE

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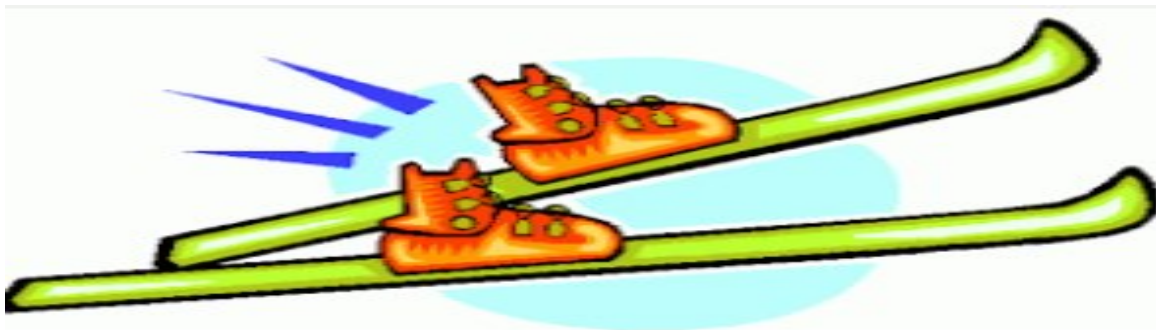
HOW TO MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR WEEK LONG SKI TRIP:

The best thing you can do is let the trip director know what you want out of the trip. These are some of the important bullet points to help make your vacation special:

- At each of the out of State trips there is a tour of the mountain on the first day. Be sure to join in! The group is divided into ability levels for the tour. You can scope out who skis/boards at your level
- Try skiing/boarding with a group.
- Talk to your room and condo mates about what type of runs you enjoy. Hopefully you will be ski/board mates.
- If you are a light sleeper discuss with your roommate what time is optimal for lights out.
- If you are an early riser, let your roommates know. Offer to put the coffee on.
- When in a condo discuss whether you want to dine in or out. If you want to dine in offer to help with group meals.
- Go to the after ski parties. If there isn't an organized party and the hospitality suite is open, stop by. It's a great way to meet new friends.
- Be open with your roommates. If you need to sleep with the window open or excessive snoring and ear plugs don't work for you talk about it. Together you can come up with a solution that works for everyone. If that doesn't happen perhaps a single supplement is worth the extra money for your comfort.

Prior to the trip:

If there is a pre-trip party GO TO IT!! A pre-trip party gives all of the people on the trip a question and answer forum. The week's schedule of events is detailed for you. There is a chance to connect with condo mates about group meals. Party plans for the week are explained. A great way to put faces to names is to **volunteer**. There are small jobs that will help you get to know people.





As you make your ski decisions for the 2016 ski season, SLO Skiers has not two, but three, weeklong options for your skiing pleasure. Telluride kicks off the weeklong season, taking place January 30-February 6. Also in February is our every other year Tahoe ski trip. We'll be at south shore again for this trip. The final trip, which takes place mid March is to Park City, Utah. You will



see lots of information on this trip in the newsletter as well. Come to the September ready to put down your deposits on your favorite 2016 ski week destinations.

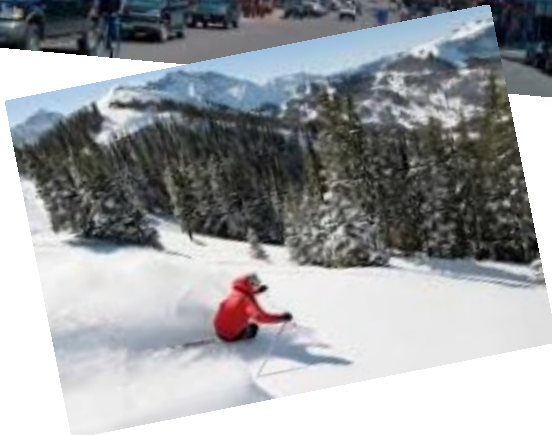
Since there is more than one lodging option for the Telluride trip, if this is your trip choice, please be sure to indicate your roommate choice AND your first and second lodging choices. Deadline to sign up for Telluride is September 15th.

Flyers with detailed information are on Meetup for all three of our ski weeks.

As always, if you have questions, shoot me an email: fancat87@gmail.com.



The Telluride Sasquatch



So, what makes a good trip?

As a member of the SLO Skiers for over 30 years and a trip leader for over 20 years, I have been on A LOT of ski trips! I've stayed at the China Peak Lodge and the Banff Springs Hotel. I've skied in 40+ degree sunshine and minus 20 degree storms. I have schussed the deep and steeps at Whistler and the beginner slopes at Mammoth. In fact, each of the last four out of state trips I had already "been there, done that." I will honestly say, each time I visit a ski area I am pleasantly surprised. The resorts continually upgrade their lift systems. There are always new restaurants and plenty of mischief to get into.

The price, the ski terrain, the lodging choices, the après ski opportunities and the ease of travel all factor into where club trips are booked. There are **TWO** things I can't count on. They are: the weather, and who signs up for the trip. A ski trip isn't possible without cold weather and snow. Some of the best ski days I've experienced have been snow days. Snow usually equates a temperature of approximately 32 degrees. The snow flakes give the scenery a surreal look. Today's ski/board clothing keeps us warm and dry. A trip to Mountain Air Sporting Goods assures warm fingers and toes! The scariest ski condition for me is when it is warm and the snow turns to slush. I quit early several afternoons last year when the snow turned to mush. The snow snakes come out and grab my skies and test how strong my reconstructed knees are/not.



The MOST important part of anything in life is the people you experience it with. We are so blessed. Our wonderful membership wants to have fun and knows how to do it. I've had great ski days at tiny Badger Pass because I was with friends. Sooooo, my opinion of what makes a great ski trip is having friends to share an exciting day beings outdoors and participating in a changeable and challenging sport. Think about the opportunity to share your vacation on the slopes or in a ski town with friends. The only thing you need to do is sign up for a ski trip. South Lake Tahoe offers a budget friendly, kick back venue. The newly combined areas of Park City and Canyons are calling your name....

Sign up now...

Lauren Nagle..Trip Director.



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Your Board is here for you. If you have any questions, suggestions on activities, want to be more involved, contact any of the following Directors or Officer. Remember, the SLO Skiers & Social Club is YOU!



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