

FWSA 2020 SKI WEEK

Big Sky, Montana

Q & A Sheet for Sierra Council Members & Fellow Travelers

Registration site: <http://Sierra39.sat.tours>

TRIP OVERVIEW

We hope you have saved the date to join us for the 2020 Far West Ski Week trip in Big Sky, Montana. As a member of a Sierra Council club, you are eligible for all the great discounts and benefits of this trip. The days will be filled with activities both on and off the mountain. The information below will help you prepare for a week of fun with other like-minded folks that enjoy seamless skiing on over 5850 acres of terrain, apres ski activities, and exploring the winter wonderland of Montana, including an optional visit to Yellowstone and the Grizzly & Wolf Discovery Center.

What are the dates? ❄️

Saturday, January 25th, 2020 Arrival, registration and check-in at.

Saturday, February 1st, 2020 Checkout and departure.

Who can attend the trip? 🙋

This trip is available to any member of a club of the Far West Ski Association (FWSA). If you are not a member of a club you may attend the trip as a direct member of the FWSA. If you are a first time traveler, let us know so we can help you navigate the week. Feel free to contact your trip ambassadors, Debi or Carlene for further details.

How do you get to Big Sky? 🚗 ✈️

Group air and ground information will be posted as soon as information is available.

Driving is a popular option for Sierra Council participants, but if you plan to arrange your own transportation, Bozeman Yellowstone International Airport in Bozeman, Montana is 45 miles from Big Sky. FWSA will also be arranging group ground service from BZN to Big Sky. If you would like to be included in FWSA group transportation options, more information will soon be available, along with pricing and payment schedules.

What is the cost? 💰

Lodging and amenities packages prices are dependent on your choice of accommodations. The range for the total package is \$1340.00-\$1490.00. The package includes:

7 nights lodging (double occupancy) zzz

7 Days of fun 🏂 🚠 ⚙️ 🎉 🍺 🍷 🏆 🍴 🍲 🦃

- Welcome party & Apres Ski Parties
- Race events
- Mountain Tours
- Après Wine Tasting
- A Special Sierra Council dinner
- Mountain Picnic
- Banquet with Dancing
- Farewell Party

Note: The package price does not include lift tickets, air and ground transportation.

What are the lodging options?



Sierra Council has 2 lodging options. Both are slope side and a short walk to the resort mall with its many options for dining, shopping, brew and gear!

Do you remember the news broadcaster, Chet Huntley??? **The Huntley Lodge** is Chet's vision of a perfect ski adventure. Sierra Council has reserved hotel style accommodations at the lodge with 2 queen beds in each room. The property includes all "creature comforts" including a full service spa, hot tub, swimming pool, fitness facility, internet, ski storage, shuttle service, laundry and dry cleaning service. Sierra Council Ski Week package for the Huntley is \$1340.00. The price includes a daily hot breakfast, 7 days lodging and all the amenities listed above in **"What is the Cost?"**

A second lodging option is the **Village Center Studios, Slopeside**. The rooms include a queen Murphy bed, sofa sleeper, fireplace and a dining area complete with kitchenware. The property also has all the comforts listed for the Huntley Lodge. Package price is \$1490.00. The two property options are located adjacent to each other and share some amenities.

Review your housing options with your friends. Select your roommate. If you want us to assist with roommate selection, contact your trip ambassador, Carlene. Single supplements are also available.

What about lift tickets and ski rentals??



We recommend that participants purchase the **IKON pass** for the best value on lift tickets. Discounted prices are still available if you make your purchase before August 1 through our travel operator, Sports America Travel. The Base IKON pass includes 5 days at Big Sky and a number of other resorts, including Squaw/Alpine. You can purchase the BASIC pass through Sports America Tours and receive \$30.00 off lodging. If you purchase the FULL IKON pass you have unlimited days at Big Sky and you will receive \$50.00 off lodging. For these special discounts, make your on line purchases at

www.sportsamerica.com/ikon-fwsa or purchase your pass as you register for the trip.

Adult/Senior lift ticket can also be purchased at our group discounted price. Details are available on the online registration site. FWSA participants can also receive a group discount on rental equipment when booked with Big Sky Ski rental outlets.

Are there activities for nonskiers?



Yes, yes, nonskiers are encouraged to join us. There are a number of skiers that would also like to take a day off the mountain and join you in these optional activities. Some activities available include the Big Sky Resort's Adventure Zipline Tour, Big Sky high rope course, snowmobiling, Nordic skiing and ice climbing. You may also want to enjoy a spa day at the Huntley.

A highlight of the week will be an optional trip to Yellowstone. This is a great opportunity to view wildlife and thermal features in a winter wonderland. Big Sky is only an hour from the West Entrance. We are also considering a trip to the Gizzly/Wolf Sanctuary. If interested, be sure to sign up for these options when registering.

Can I register today??

YES. This year you can register online and pay by either check or credit card. If you would like to preview the online options before making your final choices, click "Preview only" when you enter the site. Once you are registered, you will receive a confirming email that provides you with a link so you can re-enter your personal site and edit information on your profile, make changes such as adding air/ground when it becomes available, add the optional Yellowstone day trip or Grizzly/Wolf Sanctuary trip, add lift tickets, or change your lodging choices.

To complete or preview the online registration go to:

<http://Sierra39.sat.tours>

More details will soon be posted on the the Sierra League and Council website at <http://www.sierraleague.com>

If you have questions feel free to contact your Sierra Council trip leader:

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Pass this information on to your friends and fellow ski club members. 📧

We look forward to you joining us in Big Sky.

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