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## 2021 Champagne Brunch & Annual Meeting

by Craig O. Olsen (Photos by Steve Strickland)

On a delightful late afternoon 54 members of the BBSC met on September 12 at Marianne Williams Park in the Harris Ranch Development for the annual Champagne Brunch. Due to the uncertainties caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the BBSC Annual Meeting, typically held in April, was also held in conjunction with this Champagne Brunch. Due to the availability of vaccines, we felt safe to meet in person, and it was a much improved experience compared to our virtual Zoom meeting Champagne Brunch and Annual Meeting of 2020.



*The facilities at Marianne Williams Park easily accommodated our large group.*



*It wouldn't be a Champagne Brunch without the champagne.*

For the first time the meal for this annual event was catered by [Happy Camper Kitchen Dutch Oven Cooking](#) who provided scrumptious mountain man burritos (ham/bacon/sausage/cheese/egg) cooked in dutch ovens. This was supplemented with an assortment of fresh cut fruit, muffins, pastries and croissants. Of course it couldn't be a Champagne Brunch without the mimosas (cocktail of orange juice and champagne). Orange juice, coffee and water were available for non-alcoholic beverage choices.

In past years the meal for the Champagne Brunch has been provided by club members bringing casseroles and other side dishes, and prizes were awarded for the winning casserole. This year three free door prizes consisting of Greenwood and Bogus Basin backpacks filled with goodies and swag were awarded via a raffle drawing to Betty Gonzalez, Keith Robertson and Paul Markowitz. Congratulations to our raffle winners!

At each annual meeting, there is also a raffle drawing from all of those club members who have volunteered for service at one or more of the club events during the previous year. Fred Uranga, our club historian who keeps track of all the club's volunteer hours each year, said that there were 324 volunteer slips in the pool for this year's raffle drawing. Nancy Moore's name was drawn, and she won a Bogus Basin season ski pass. Congratulations, Nancy Moore, and thank you to Fred for keeping track of all the club's volunteer hours.



*A very happy Nancy Moore receiving her award from Fred Uranga.*

Lynda Clark, BBSC president, conducted the annual meeting, welcoming everyone who came and inviting new club members (of which there have been at least 15 in the past 6-8 weeks) to introduce themselves. Current members of the board of directors were introduced, and the minutes of the 2020 annual meeting were approved, unanimously. Someone jokingly commented that this group would approve anything, but we will not go there. Lynda also reviewed the treasurer's report in the absence of Betty Hawkins, BBSC treasurer. BBSC is currently in very good financial standings with healthy reserves, which the board carefully watches over. This financial information is also available to club members.



*Lynda Clark conducting the annual meeting.*

A minor but necessary amendment was made to the BBSC bylaws that require an annual meeting of the club to be held during the month of April. Many years ago when the bylaws were written, an event such as the current COVID-19 pandemic that has prevented us from safely holding this meeting in person in April 2020 and 2021 was not foreseen. For this reason, the clause "or as determined by the board" was added to the bylaws requirement to hold the annual club meeting during the month of April. This proposed amendment to the bylaws was also unanimously accepted.

The BBSC bylaws also require that members of the board of directors appointed to a two year term can only serve two consecutive terms before rolling off the board. This year eight board members need to be replaced - Lynda Clark (president), Betty Hawkins (treasurer), Carol Peterson (secretary), John Adams (marketing director), Barbara Bryant (membership director), Craig Olsen (communications director and webmaster - two positions), and Nancy Moore (social media director).

The following BBSC members were nominated to serve on the board of directors and unanimously voted in: Christine Hill, Paul Markowitz, Henry Gonzalez, Doug Baker and Ken Snider. During the next BBSC board meeting to be held October 5<sup>th</sup>, the board of directors, both old and new, will determine how the various board positions will be filled.

In the absence of Brad Wilson (due to illness) who typically gives BBSC an update of activities

*Flowers provided by Kim DeWit & Zac Medek added a nice touch.*



and future for Bogus Basin Ski Resort, the meeting was concluded. We wish Brad a full and speedy recovery.

A special thank you goes to Kimberly DeWit, our BBSC social director, who chaired this event, and to all those who helped her set up and take down for this event. Many hands make for light work.

We look forward to seeing you at the upcoming BBSC Christmas Party, December 4<sup>th</sup> at the Gowen Field Officer's Club.

## The Ski Swap - An Opportunity to Volunteer

*by Jane Gabbert*



While BBSC sponsors many fun events and trips, another major emphasis of our club for many, many years has been giving back to the community — both in terms of volunteer service and financial support. One such annual event that helps accomplish both goals of giving back to the community is the Ski Swap. November 5-7, 2021, will mark the 70<sup>th</sup> annual Bogus Basin Ski Education

Foundation (BBSEF) sponsored Ski Swap that helps raise funds for the youth ski racing programs.

BBSC has participated in the Ski Swap for almost the same number of years promoting our club, sponsoring the Warren Miller Film Festival, and selling raffle tickets. These events raise funds for our club, and we donate annually a portion of those funds to several non-profit organizations including BBSEF, Bogus Basin Ski Patrol (BBSP) and Boise Adaptive Snowsport Education (BASE).

The BBSEF sponsored Ski Swap is a great opportunity for BBSC members to volunteer their time and efforts to give back to the community and help out in a very worthwhile cause. Please review more [details about this service at this link](#), and then contact Jane Gabbert to sign up. Who knows? You might be the lucky recipient of a Bogus Basin Season Pass at next year's annual meeting like Nancy Moore was this year.

# 2021 Spirit of Boise Balloon Classic

by Paul Markowitz (Photos by Vicki Kuebler)

This month is the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of The Spirit of Boise Balloon Classic, first hosted in 1991, as a way to provide an exciting, family oriented production for the community at no charge. Created by Scott and Laura Spencer, now in partnership with Townsquare Media radio stations and presented by CapEd, this event has provided many years of entertainment within the Treasure Valley.

Hosted annually at Ann Morrison Park, this event brings together locals and tourists alike who enjoy being surrounded by endless colorful balloons,



*Amy Woodson supervising the BBSC team.*

inspiring music,

and their favorite local radio stations. With free tethered rides on select days, a chance to meet aeronauts each morning, and one-of-a-kind night spectaculars, the Spirit of Boise Balloon Classic is truly an event you need to experience!

The Spirit of Boise Balloon Classic needed people to help crew the balloons. BBSC gives many thanks to Amy Woodson who chaired this event and organized the BBSC team members who showed up early on the morning of September 2<sup>nd</sup> to help.



*Upright balloon ready to launch.*

What a good time we had helping get the envelope spread out on the ground, then helping inflate it. Many hands were needed as we held the balloon open, and then the pilot opened the burners all the way up, and my, what heat!

With the envelope full, it rose up and was getting lighter so we had to add weight to the basket to make sure all was secure before the "OK!" to ascend.

Two of us were able to ride, and what a nice way to get a bird's eye view of the city of Boise. We had very nice light winds and were able After about an hour, we started to look for a place to land. The breeze to float out over the city and then back over Ann Morrison Park.



*View of Boise from hot air balloon.*

had pushed us back over the park, but we were too high to land there. We drifted a little bit further and landed at the old Boise airport, now BSU, on a lawn. The team came to us in the chase vehicle, and we were able to lay the envelope out on their tarp. It took some effort folding and stuffing everything back into the bags and putting the bags and basket into the back of the truck.



*Cliff Sell and Paul Markowitz helping hold the balloon during filling.*



*BBSC Team: (front L-R) Vicki Kuebler, Amy Woodson, John ? & Lynda Clark; (back L-R) Cliff Sell & Paul Markowitz.*

# BBSC Campout at SISCRA

by Doug Baker (Photos by Steve Strickland)

Thirty plus BBSC campers enjoyed a wonderfully sunny weekend with little smoke at the SISCRA Campground on Lake Cascade. It was great to see several new club members and first timers participate. Those who camped in tents tested their sleeping bag ratings with nighttime temperatures in the low 40s.

*About half of our group.*



heat and conversation at our first night's campfire where s'mores were roasted.

Saturday started with coffee, fancy French toast, bacon and scrambled eggs. The days activities included zip lining at Tamarack Resort, hiking to Boulder Lake and biking. Saturday night we gathered to watch Henry Gonzalez work his magic making his famous paella, which everyone enjoyed. Many participated in yard games and another evening of campfire and s'mores, capping a fun day.

*The daily message board kept all on track.*

*Campfires each night were most popular.*

Friday started with barbecued pork tenderloin cooked to perfection and complimented with baked potatoes. Several campers offered dishes to share throughout the weekend meals. A "Swedish Log" provided





*Dressed in protective blue helmets for the zip lines at Tamarack Resort.*



*Hike to Boulder Lake.*



*Mountain biking the off-road trails.*



*Skilled Jenga players.*



*Playing corn hole.*



*Henry Gonzalez's ever popular paella.*

*Helping out in the kitchen.*



Sunday's breakfast was breakfast burritos and a great fruit salad. Everyone enjoyed the wonderful food and activities. Thank you to all who participated and volunteered with meal preparation and cleanup duties.

We look forward to seeing you again next year.

*Editor's Note:*  
*Many thank yous to Doug & Susan Baker for organizing this event again this year.*



# Boats, Floats, & BBQ

by Kim Dewit (Photos by Steve Strickland)

What did one ski club member say to another?

*Hey! How was the Boats, Floats, & BBQ event in August?*

[\*Insert canned laughter here.]

Seriously though. How was it? It was amazing! Oh, maybe you think this is an exaggeration, but only if you weren't there! Am I right?

Back me up if you were one who enjoyed the evening with us! Over 35 club members and friends emerged from our respective posts to share a fun evening with our like-minded cohorts!



*Kayaks, paddle boards & life-jackets courtesy of AlpenGlowIdaho.*

Thanks to Doug & Sue Baker and Nancy Moore for transporting equipment- kayaks, SUPs, paddles, life-jackets. We couldn't have done it without the generous loan of ALL the equipment and support of [AlpenGlowIdaho](#). Attendees enjoyed paddling either a board or an inflatable kayak, and first-timers got tips from various volunteer helpers.

How was the water, you wanted to know? The water was refreshing, to say the least! We were more on top and in the watercraft than swimming in the river, which was freezing cold, but good if you needed to cool off! This was our dear BERTHA's first adventure since the



*Cliff Sell cooking brats and burgers on Big Bertha while Zac Medek enjoys them.*

onset of the pandemic, and she did not disappoint. Quartermaster and member Zac Medek pressure washed and cleaned her up before her big debut. VP Steve Strickland and board member Cliff Sell fired her up and prepared some mean brats and burgers, I'll tell you what! Friends enjoyed sitting together and chatting over our meals, getting to know new members and catching up with other friends! No one invited them, but the wasps were certain we did invite them as they were fastidiously pandering for morsels. At times we felt like we were barely avoiding danger. No one was injured. We enjoyed the shade gifted by numerous large trees, and everyone went home with a full belly and a good story to tell. If you missed it this year, no worries. We'll do it again next year!

## In Memoriam

by Craig O. Olsen

### Terence "Terry or TL" Lofsvold

(February 15, 1938 - March 9, 2021)

A native of Issaquah, Washington, and graduate of Whitman College and Oregon State University, Terry moved to Boise in the early 1960s. He worked as Assistant Recreation Director for the City of Boise and spent his winter months at Bogus Basin supervising the youth ski school instructors. He worked at Bogus Basin for 20 years, and served as General Manager from 1984-1991. During his time, he was responsible for lowering the cost of season passes to be more affordable to residents in the Treasure Valley, and bringing more local families to the mountain. His mantra was "skiing is a lifetime sport," so he focused a lot of his time on encouraging people of all ages to come give skiing a try. Terry's biggest accomplishment was providing expert skiers more terrain to ski at night by installing lights on the backside of Shafer Butte (Superior Chair). While living in Boise, Terry served as a member of the Idaho Travel Council, President of the Idaho Ski Areas Association, and a board member of the Boise Area Chamber of Commerce. He was also a member of the National Ski Patrol Association, and a member of the Bogus Basin Ski Club.



In 1998, Terry and Carol moved to Grand Junction, Colorado. His full obituary was published in [The Daily Sentinel on Mar. 14, 2021](#).

### Sally Jan (Veroske) Hunt

(September 22, 1954 - May 31, 2021)

Sally was briefly featured in memoriam in the June issue of the Mogul at which time her full obituary had not yet been published. She was born in Chelan, Washington, and began skiing at age three, a sport that she continued throughout her life. She studied at University of Puget Sound and the University of Washington with a gap year between the two at Sun Valley. After graduating from the University of Washington, Sally spent the next eleven years off and on in Sun Valley becoming an expert skier, and then moved to Boise in 1991 where she subsequently met and married Horace Hunt in 1996.



In 2007 Sally was diagnosed with Multiple Myeloma and remained asymptomatic until about 2015 when she developed associated complications of cardiac amyloidosis. In the past six years Sally underwent extensive treatments and courageously battled her cancer. She was ever optimistic and remained active and outgoing. She and Horace participated in several international and local BBSC ski trips during this time. Sally passed away peacefully in her sleep on May 31, 2021, with Horace by her side. Her full obituary was published by the [Summers Funeral Home in July](#), and a celebration of her life was hosted at the Hunt home, which Sally helped design, on August 7, 2021.