



Bogus Basin Ski Club

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FWSA Convention 2023...SPUD-TACULAR

The FWSA Convention 2023 was definitely Spudtacular. The BBSC decorations committee was in charge of the centerpieces for the Saturday Banquet. After many prototypes, the team of Nancy Moore (leader), Kim Dewit (assistant leader), Lynda Clark (setup) and Carol Peterson (mostly slacker) came up with a potato design. "What other state could use this theme for the centerpiece," we asked? So we ran with it. The results were hilarious, charming and quite elegant all at the same time. Our potatoes wore tuxedos or ball gowns, wore makeup and jewelry, had googly eyes, and skied down a lighted slope.



The evening was also a Spudtacular award winning event for Bogus, BBSC, BBSP and Boise. As was previously announced in the *May 2023 Mogul*, Brad Wilson of Bogus Basin Recreation Area was awarded the FWSA Snowsports Builder Award. In addition to that, on Saturday evening Brad was also awarded the Tommi Tyndall Award for Outstanding Ski Industry Contribution. Brad was also one of the featured speakers at the Saturday

afternoon Public Affairs Panel. The main topic was concerning the effects of climate change on ski areas and the proposed Ski Hill Resources for Economic Development Act.

Barb Bryant nominated several people for awards. The Jimmie Heuga Award for Outstanding Humanitarian went to Becki Walters, BASE.

The Elizabeth "Schatzi" Wood Award for a decisive contribution to skiing was awarded to Kim Hovren, BBSC; while the Jordan-Reily Award for Outstanding Contribution to Public Affairs went to Ron Abramovich, BBSC.



The Bill Mackey Award for Outstanding Ski Industry Contribution went to Omar Fricke, a 65-year member of the National Ski Patrol and the Bogus Basin Ski Patrol. Omar was nominated by Carol Peterson and his daughter, Tamara Ansotegui, accepted the award.

BBSC's own Steve Strickland was the official photographer for the conference, and he worked tirelessly all weekend.

At the silent auction event held Friday evening, the Vertigals acted as bid runners. Gotta love their sense of style.



Some Worthy Comments

Fun Night at the Boise Far West Ski Association conference! Thanks Barb Bryant and all the folks recognizing the work so many have done at Bogus to make local skiing the sport it is today! Now that all the snow has turned to water, we can start thinking about next winter....*Ron Abramovich, BBSC*

A fantastic event! A huge note of appreciation to FWSA, its board of directors, its members and the Bogus Basin Ski Club. Your volunteer efforts made a successful event!...*Kim Hovren, BBSC*

Thank you, Lynda and your entire team that helped put this event together. It sounds like everyone had a wonderful time. We need more Activity Leaders like YOU!...*Debbi Kor, VP Marketing & Convention Chair*

Lynda, thank you for hosting us and showing us your local mountain. I found all the Boise volunteers and club/council members to be very welcoming....*Andy, director-at-large for the Don Diego Ski Club which is part of the San Diego Council of Ski Clubs.*

I'm so happy to have made your acquaintance and I appreciate you being part of the committee. Pulling off a convention is no small feat, and while I don't ever want to do that again (LOL!), I am grateful for the help and support from your club. You all are probably the most close-knit and fun, helpful and caring club I've ever seen....*Jenn Coutts, Convention Co-chair, Intermountain Ski Council*

A Group Shot



And one lasting image

Michael Bouton, co-chair, in yellow with red flames performing YMCA.

Hard to unsee!

More FWSA next month.



Annual Meeting 2023

The annual meeting was held at White Dog Brewing Co. on May 7, 2023. Dinner was provided, along with one drink ticket. The one-drink ticket always kicks off the event and gets everyone in the right mood. There was a lot of visiting and saying hello to old and new friends.



We had about 70 people show up this year. Dinner was provided by Smoke & Thyme, the standing White Dog food vendor. Cost was \$20 per person. This helped cover some of the costs, but the club did subsidize approximately \$700.

Kim DeWit kicked off the meeting portion of the event using the club's new portable microphone. It worked wonderfully!!! Everyone could hear and we had their attention.

Kim started with introductions of the current board.

- Lynda Clark – President
- Steve Strickland – Vice President
- Ken Snider – Treasurer
- Sherri Lechten – Webmaster/Comm.
- Christine Hill – Secretary
- Diane Ross – Marketing
- Cliff Sell – Purchasing
- Paul Markowitz – Membership
- Doug Baker – Trip Coordinator
- Kimberly Dewit – Social and Events
- Nancy Moore – Social Media
- Carol Lee Peterson – the Mogul
- Vicky Kuebler – Assistant Marketing
- Sussette Newsome – Assistant Social
- Michael Bouton/Paul Markowitz – ISC FWSA Representative
- Fred Uranga – Historian
- Zac Medek – Quartermaster



Kim reviewed this last year's activities and ski trips, and then listed the upcoming events with the extra attention on the FWSA convention in June followed by SYSCRA Camping the next weekend.



Lynda took her turn at the mic for the business end of the meeting – approvals for last year's minutes and treasury report. The floor was open for Board Member elections and we had four new members volunteer to help out this year...a big Thank You to these four new board members!!!

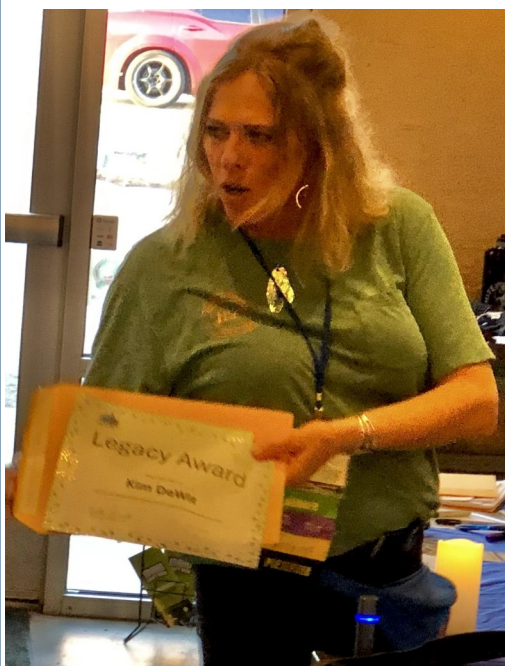
- Elizabeth Graham
- Ann Blanchette
- Donna Halpin
- Jordan Stallknecht

There was a motion to amend the By Laws by adding the *red italicized* phrase to ARTICLE IV BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Section 1: The Board of Directors of the Bogus Basin Ski Club will not exceed eleven members and not be an even number. Each board member shall serve a term of two years, Board members cannot serve more than two (2) consecutive two-year terms

or as determined by the board.

Lynda then gave out the Annual Awards – where each person got a \$50 gift card and certificate of appreciation.



Old Boot, aka the Legacy Award
Kim DeWit whose after skiing efforts have done the most to further the sport.



Distinguished Service Award
Sherri Lechten for Web service that goes above and beyond volunteering.

Spirit Award – Doug Baker typify the "spirit of the club." Given time and effort to improve the activities and trips for club members.



Volunteer of the YEAR award – Steve Strickland for all his efforts with Raffle Sales and Brewery Bike Rides!



Fred Uranga was there with his orange bucket with all the last year's volunteers from all our events. JoVonn Hurst drew the name of the winning person. Turns out it was Steve Strickland...well deserved as he donated a lot of time and effort during raffle sales.

This year Bogus Basin Mountain gave five day passes to be used next season. Steve said that was perfect for when his son visits from Seattle.

We also had one door prize, a gift certificate of \$50 to ECO lounge and that name was drawn from the list of people who registered for the annual meeting. The winner was Jeff Lincoln.

We ended the meeting with a little safety reminder. Remember, be safe out there and know the Code.

- Be in control.
- People ahead of you have the right of way.
- Stop where others can see you.
- Before starting out or merging, turn and look up hill.

