



the Mogul

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Calendar

2018

Summer Campout, July 20-22

Raft the Middle Fork, Aug. 9-15

Norway & Copenhagen, Aug. 14-28

Warren Miller, Nov. 15, 16, 17

2019

Zermatt, Utah, Proposed January

Italy Bicycle, Proposed Summer

Other trips in the planning stage

The Travel Issue & More

Japan - March 2018

They came from all over. With 26 of my close friends, I started out from Boise on March 1 on the way to Kyoto Japan. In SFO we picked up two from Seattle, one from L.A., nine from N.Y., and one more in Osaka making a group of 40. In Kyoto, we met our guide Michael, and for the next few days he trekked us around starting with a bus tour of the city and some of its sites.



Friends in the *Onsen*



Off to a ski adventure, we arrived in Hakuba and got settled in our rooms. We had a wine and cheese event with a briefing from our local guides that included tour info, ski info and local transportation. It rained the first ski day, so some folks headed to see the snow monkeys while others explored towns. The rest of the ski days served up eleven different areas to choose from. Quite the variety. A late afternoon of relaxing in the onsen, a natural hot spring that was part of the hotel, soothed the ski muscles.

Onward to Tokyo on a 170 mph high-speed bullet train from Nagano that made the two hour trip go by in a flash. We met another guide for a bus tour of some of the highlights of this large city. The next day was touring for everyone. While a small group did a bicycle tour of the city, others visited the Tokyo tower, the Imperial Palace Gardens and the Ginza district. Evening meal was an experience with a restaurant district a short walk from the hotel.



It was difficult to leave this beautiful country with its very gracious people. Four people stayed for a few more days, nine left on a direct flight to Newark, two others went to L.A., and one went on to India. Traveling with the ski club is always an exciting adventure. I want to say thank you to all who were on the trip, and to BBSC for supporting the trip, and to Holiday Ski Tours for putting it together.

Montana Ski - March 2018

Ah, another fantastic ski trip in beautiful Montana! 24 eager Bogus Basin Ski Club members climbed aboard the very spacious bus for the long journey to Bozeman, Montana. We had fun watching Warren Miller movies, chatting with friends and new acquaintances, and enjoying the party bus. Before we knew it we were in Bozeman, checking into our fantastic hotel, getting ready for our first day of skiing at Bridger Bowl.

Bridger Bowl is located not too far from Bozeman. Although smaller than Big Sky, there was plenty of fantastic spring skiing. Everything from mogul runs, to steep shoots, to gradual rollers. The weather cooperated, the snow was pleasantly soft, and everyone had a great day of skiing. That was followed by our traditional "Wine and Cheese Social" at the hotel, where we shared our skiing experiences of the day.

Friday we awoke to blue bird skies and six inches of fresh POW! at Big Sky. The conditions could not have been any more perfect. With 5,800 skiable acres to explore, there was more than enough terrain to entertain everyone from beginner to expert.

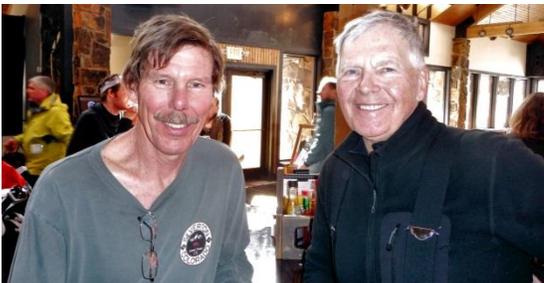


Ted with the mystery tree at Big Sky



Lone Mountain...some braved the gondola to the top.

Our day ended with a complimentary wagon ride, where we toured Big Sky's beautiful overflow dirt parking lots. In reality, our bus



was stuck in a lower parking lot full of slush and had to be pulled out. The employees at Big Sky

were more than accommodating in helping get our group to the bus. All's well that ends well, and we finally made a safe journey back to the hotel.

On our last day of skiing, Saturday, we again met more fresh powder! This time about nine inches! Conditions were a little foggy and snowy in the morning, however the snow was light and airy, and held up well all day. Another fantastic day at Big Sky!



Sunday we bid Bozeman farewell and made our way back to Boise. Our time skiing at Bridger Bowl and Big Sky was great fun with near perfect weather and snow conditions. We had a great group of people, and we all enjoyed each other's company. Ah, how we love to ski into the BBSC record books!



POW! POW! POW!

Utah Ski - February 2018

Forty enthusiastic and indomitable members enjoyed skiing at three famous Utah resorts. We bussed to the Bigelow Hotel in Ogden on Thursday, February 8. A wine



and cheese reception provided by the hotel kicked off our activities. The first day was at Snowbird, with some of the more adventurous skiers navigating through the mountaintop tunnel to ski Mineral Basin.



Our second day was at Powder Mountain where our mountain host, Andy, provided us with an excellent tour and opportunity to access the new Mary's Bowl area. Because conditions didn't allow access to Mary's Bowl the usual way, via the new Village lift, Powder Mountain was providing cat transportation. Sixteen of us climbed into the snowcat, rode to the Bowl and skied part of 2,000 lift-served acres opened last year.



The last day was spent enjoying the excellent runs and amenities of Snowbasin. Although the snow could have

been better, the resorts provide very good skiing by extensive grooming, snowmaking, and superb hospitality. We packed up after a great day of skiing and were driven back to Boise by J.R., our driver, arriving at the Outlet Mall at 8:30 with memories of another memorable BBSC trip!

Sun Valley Ski - January 2018

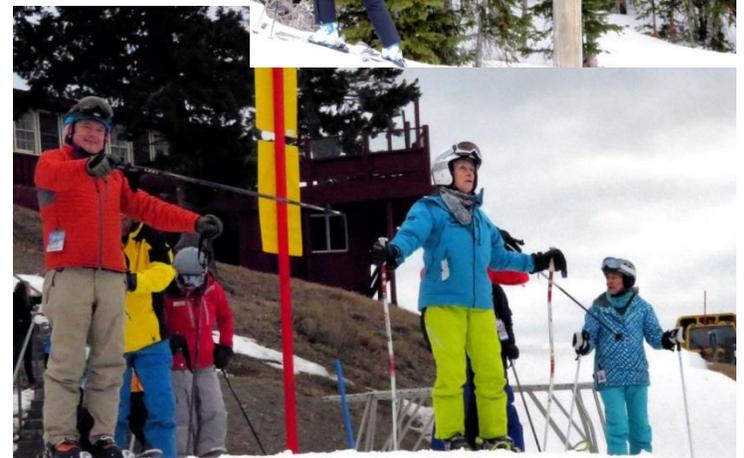
The Sun Valley self-drive ski trip was a great kick off to the ski season for many of us. Even though many areas of the country experienced record winter weather, the Idaho Treasure and Magic Valleys were shy of snow. Thanks to Sun Valley's world-famous snow-making equipment, we had the opportunity to get our ski legs on, even as we passed over bare rocks and bushes as we ascended the slopes. And thanks to the Intermountain Ski Council for sponsoring the trip at a great discount with the Sun Valley resort. We'll remember the resort amenities: gigantic hot tub, great restaurants, shuttles to the slopes, memorable camaraderie, new friends, and gourmet snacks with five star beverages at the wine and cheese get-together. Paul



Markowitz made all the arrangements, but for the life of me I didn't notice he wasn't there until we returned.



A Pileated Woodpecker misnamed as a red head



Great Gatsby Crab Crack - February 2018

The BBSC held its annual signature crab crack event, themed "The Great Gatsby," on February 4 at the White Dog Brewing Company. This year's occasion was an overwhelming success with over 80 people present. The crab crack has become a community tradition with members, friends and family in attendance. Many ski club members dressed a' la Great Gatsby style. To set the atmosphere of the Gatsby style, Gatsby themed black, gold and silver balloons along with red tissue poms were suspended from the ceiling. Top hats, tiaras, black/gold feather boas and fairy lights festooned the tables.



Thank you to Joe's Crab Shack for donating crab bibs.

Thanks to our volunteers for

helping to produce a festive Great Gatsby Crab Crack:



Donn and Barbara Bryant, Lynda Clark, Don and Mary Pribble, Horace Hunt, Stan and Margie Ridgeway, Liza Autina, Ron Blake, Michael Bouton, Julie Thomason, Kim Hovren, John Adams, Sandra Hufsmith, Sussette Newsome, Diane Ross, Kasandra Henry, Paul Markowitz.

Costume contest winners Don and Mary Pribble and Alicia Culbertson won lodging at Boulder Creek Inn in Donnelly; second place, Stan and Margie Ridgeway and Laura Eley, each won a \$40 gift certificate to Smokey Mountain Pizzeria and Grill; third place, Rosie Roscoe and Ross McIntire tied Michael Bouton and Julie Tomason, and Kendra Bryant, third place winners.



Crab was provided by Reel Foods and smoked by Smoke & Thyme who also prepared smoked Cornish game hens, side dishes of baked potatoes, corn on the cob, coleslaw, and bread. Crab lovers were able to purchase left-over crab to enjoy at home.

Alicia Culbertson's highly sought after and creative gift baskets highlighted a lively raffle held during a band break. The Blue Rays played a variety of music for the revelers.



The Snow Monkeys of Japan ***Their story...as told by one of their own***



We are the Japanese Macaque, commonly known as snow monkeys. We are native to Japan and are named snow monkey because we live where it is very cold and snow covers the ground for months. No other non-human primate is more northern-living, nor lives in a colder climate. We like to play in the snow and roll snowballs. We are very smart, adaptable and do not fear you.



In the colder months, we visit an onsen that was built for us. As the story goes, there is a hotel high in the mountains that includes an inviting onsen hot spring. One of the younger members of our troop, against the wishes of the elders, scrambled down to the onsen and slipped his fingers into the pool. *Ooh*. The look on his face was dreamy. One by one, we scampered down and slipped into the warm, soothing water. For some reason unknown to us, the humans at first enjoyed sharing the onsen with us, and then suddenly all abandoned it as a few of us relieved ourselves. The hotel was beside itself. How was it going to be able to have the guests enjoy the onsen while we monkeys do not follow the same health standards? Apparently humans shower carefully before entering and definitely do not introduce floaties into the pool.



As the story continues, the humans built a new, much larger onsen for us higher on the hill and ringed it with our favorite foods. As monkeys were lured up the hill, I said, "Wait. No. This is our onsen. We are not leaving." So a small band of us continued to occupy the hotel onsen. We heard some wailing from within the hotel, but we were happy.



Suddenly. Oh-oh. What is going on? Look, they are draining our onsen! Look, they are scrubbing our onsen! Look, they are refilling our onsen! Can we go in now? "Wait. Wait. Wait for it. OK. It's full." So in we go and I remind them, "Do not make eye contact with the humans and do not bare your teeth." Once again they like bathing with us until the floaties join in. Now humans feed the monkeys at the bigger onsen and scrub and refill our smaller onsen daily. How nice! I hope you enjoyed my story. Your friend, *Macaque*



A Note from Carol

As I put my final *Mogul* to bed, I want to tell you it has been a joy and a pleasure to write for you these past four+ years. Thank you to all who supported this journey by sending articles and photos, by editing and proofing, and to Hi-Tech Color for printing. I know that the next editor will produce a product that is enjoyed by all, and that you will continue with your generous support.
Sincerely, Carol Peterson, Publisher, Writer & Editor



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