



# SPOTLIGHT

March 2020



Steve Soukup, Editor

## Conejo Ski & Sports Club Newsletter

### President's Message



**Greetings CSSC Members -**  
Hard to believe that we are already in the month of March. As I write this news article, we have around 70 members preparing to leave for a week of skiing in Banff/Lake Louise, Canada. I am certain they are going to have a fantastic time - sure would like to be there with them!

And speaking of skiing, we have our last Mammoth ski trip of the season over the third weekend this month and, as of this writing, Gary still has about 5 spots left for those who prefer skiing the warmer spring time conditions.

Well this month we also have the Murder Mystery event in about two weeks which sold out very quickly. I think it will have to be our St. Patrick's event. But I am sure the hotel here that we hold our meetings at will also be celebrating the day! Let's all have fun!



I need to remind all of you that we are still looking for leaders and new events for us all to participate in during the coming year (see Carolyn's announcement on page 6).

We will be having elections for our Board of Directors next month. We still have room to put a few of you on the ballot before the end of March. Jump in! We need you!! If you are considering running, come talk to me and I'll give you all the information you need. We will be hearing from our candidates during our first club meeting in April (I hope many of you will be at that meeting to meet the candidates) and elections take place during the second meeting (see any updates on page 5).

Jim Robertson, President



### Upcoming Activities in March

Mar	01-07	BANFF/LAKE LOUISE Ski Trip
Mar	08	International Women's Day
Mar	08	Daylight Savings Time Begins
Mar	13	Murder Mystery Event
Mar	17	St. Patrick's Day
Mar	19	Spring Equinox
Mar	19-22	MAMMOTH Ski Trip #3
Mar	28	Paradise Falls HIKE

### Recurring Activities

Tuesdays	Volleyball
(Only during Daylight Savings—NOW through October)	
Wednesdays	Bridge (2nd & 4th)
Fridays	Pickleball

If you are attending one of our CSSC events, please print & sign the waiver on page 4 & bring it to the event you are attending.



Visit our Website & Facebook Page  
[www.conejoskiclub.org](http://www.conejoskiclub.org)  
Facebook: Conejo Ski & Sports Club  
Email photos to:  
[photos@conejoskiclub.org](mailto:photos@conejoskiclub.org)  
Or post to Facebook Page

**Club Meetings are held Bi-Monthly**  
**1st & 3rd Wednesdays of the Month**

6:30 - 8:00 pm Social time  
8:00 - 9:00 pm Meeting

**PALM GARDEN HOTEL**  
495 N. Ventu Park Rd.  
Newbury Park

# March 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2		4 CLUB MEETING	5	6 Pickleball	
Banff/Lake Louise, CANADA						
INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY March 8th	9	10 Volleyball Begins	11 Board Mtg. Bridge	12	13 MURDER MYSTERY Pickleball	14
15	16	17	18 CLUB MTG.	19	20 Pickleball	21
22 Newsletter Deadline	23	24 Volleyball	25 Bridge	26	27 Pickleball	28 Paradise Falls HIKE
Mammoth	30	31 Volleyball				
29						

# April 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 CLUB MEETING	2	3 Pickleball	4
5	6	7 Volleyball	8 Board Mtg.	9	10 Pickleball	11
Happy Easter	13	14 Volleyball	15 CLUB MTG. BOARD ELECTIONS	16	17 Pickleball	Happy Birthday
Passover				New Orleans		
19 Newsletter Deadline	20	21 Volleyball	22 EARTH DAY Bridge	23	24 Pickleball	25
New Orleans			28 Volleyball	29		
NATIONAL PRETZEL DAY 26	27			30 BUGS BUNNY		





## March Birthdays

<u>Day</u>			<u>Day</u>			<u>Day</u>		
John	Shutt	02	Almut	Bower	08	Ying Jing	Sun	25
Ann	Wright	03	Helen	Havlin	08	Carol	Helsby	25
Rick	King	03	Roger	Houston	10	Corey	Urquhart	26
Wendy	Berg	03	Richard	Ross	14	Kathy	Gibson	27
Lydia	Etman	03	Sherry	Nantroup	17	Marla	Keesee	28
Steven	Soukup	04	Denis	Swan	17	Charles	Cattanach	29
Helena	Gratland-Mazzocco	04	Cindy	O'Leary	20	Steve	Fujikawa	31
Louis	Newman	04	Michelle	Honles	21	Kit	Davis	31
Willem	Patterson	05	Brenda	Domico	21	Dorothy	Yenokian	31
Marti	Demetriou	06	Les	Hardwick	23	Gaylen	Rebbe	31
Nellie	West-Small	06	Adriane	Clark	24	Jack	Kern	31
Toni	Larson	07	Donn	Smylie	24			
David	Spence	07	Bryan	Hennes	24			



**Ina**    **Ames**    **Mark**    **Stewart**  
**Patti**   **Britton**   **Vic**    **Scimo**  
**Carolyn**   **Curtis**   **Alan**    **Sommerhauser**  
**Catherina**   **Sommerhauser**



## Renewals Due in March/April



Julie	Apfelbaum	Sandy	Jacobson	Mark	Blade	Cathy	Kaufman
Scot	Campbell	John	Jacobson	Jacqueline	Blade	Linda	Leahy
Robin	Collins	Marla	Keesee	Audrey	Cosenza	Karen	Levine
Jeanette	Day	Andy	Maree	Caryl	Craig	Wanda	Lozano
Marti	Demetriou	Lori	Mendolla	Teri	Divine Smylie	Margo	Mancinelli
Bill	Evart	Sheree	Millholin	Susan	Fuqua	Chris William	Murphy
Marcia	Hoffman	Cindy	O'Leary	Moe	Gharib	Linda	Murphy
Anna	Holland	Joani	Pappas	Anne	Heatherton	Lynn	Pelaez
		Donn	Smylie	Carol	Helsby	Will	Smith
		Debra	Sumner	Emily	Houston	Anne	Vasey
		Gary	Waage-naar	Roger	Houston	Tracy	Welborn
		Warren	Wegerer	Angela	Huffine	John	Wendling
		Walter	Zlotnicki	Alan	Huffine		
				Gregory	Imel		

**It's that time of year, so don't let your membership lapse!**  
**Mail your dues in by the 1st or contact the VP of Membership, Ramona Rowan**



**CONEJO SKI & SPORTS CLUB**  
**WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND CONDUCT POLICY**  
**(READ BEFORE SIGNING)**

In consideration of being allowed to participate, in any way, in the Conejo Ski & Sports Club programs, related events, and activities I, \_\_\_\_\_ (Participant's Name Printed) the Undersigned, acknowledge, appreciate, and agree that:

1. The risk of injury from many of the activities is significant, including the potential for permanent paralysis and death, and while particular skills, rules, equipment, and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of serious injury does exist; and,

2. **I KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, both known and unknown, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES** or others and assume full responsibility for my participation; and,

3. I willingly agree to comply with the stated and customary terms and conditions for participation. If, however, I observe any unusual significant hazard during my presence or participation, I will remove myself from participation and bring such to the attention of the nearest official immediately; and,

4. I, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, **HEREBY RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS** Conejo Ski & Sports Club, their officers, officials, agents, and/or employees, other participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and, if applicable, owners and lessors of premises used to conduct the event ("**RELEASEES**"), **WITH RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL INJURY, DISABILITY, DEATH, LOSS OR DAMAGE TO PERSON OR PROPERTY, WHETHER ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE**, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

Activity participant agrees that this release will apply to all known and unknown as well as unanticipated claims, injuries and damages resulting from club activities, as well as, those now disclosed and all rights under section 1542 of the Civil Code of California are hereby expressly waived. Section 1542 of the Civil Code of California reads as follows:

**"A general release does not extend to claims which the (person signing the release) does not know or suspect to exist in his (or her) favor, at the time of execution of the release, which if known by him (or her) must have materially affected his (or her) signing the release."**

In addition, I have read, understand and agree to the Conejo Ski & Sports Club (CSSC) Conduct Policy which states: *"All participants are required to observe common courtesy and generally accepted standards of behavior. CSSC will not tolerate violation of any federal, state, or local laws or ordinances. Illegal use of drugs, tobacco or alcohol will cause the participant to be removed from the event. Additionally, CSSC will not reimburse the participant for any forfeited payments. CSSC may also choose, for the benefit of all participants, to prohibit smoking or alcohol at events. Participants who display obnoxious or offensive behavior in violation of this conduct policy, as determined by the CSSC event representative, may be removed and/or isolated from the group. Participants shall adhere to the requirements of the CSSC event packages (i.e. lift tickets) and not transfer, resell or barter all or portions of the package. Only CSSC or the issuing agency may compensate the participant for the unused portion or transfer. Failure to comply may result in exclusion from future CSSC sponsored activities."*

*CSSC maintains a strict policy prohibiting harassment or discrimination of any type. Additionally, if behavior offensive to others (profanity, off-color humor) continues after the offending person is asked by a CSSC representative to refrain from its use, the offending participant may be subject to sanctions up to removal from the activity and/or removal from the club."*

I have read and understand the above statements, and I am signing this document, granting this release and participating in this activity voluntarily. I also agree to abide by the CSSC conduct policy.

_____ (Participant's Signature)	_____ (Date)	_____ (Emergency Contact)	_____ (Phone Number)
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## *Elections for Board of Directors 2020-21*

### **NOMINATING COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**2020 Nominating Committee Chair – Patricia Rebbe (805.208.5289)**

Soon it will be time to vote for new Board Members. Please be aware that **YOU WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE TO CAST A BALLOT** unless your membership is in good standing **AT LEAST TEN (10) DAYS** prior to the election. If you have **ANY** concerns about the status of your membership, please contact Ramona Rowan at [RamonaRowan@gmail.com](mailto:RamonaRowan@gmail.com).

#### **Critical Dates to Membership**

April 1, 2019

Candidates will be allowed to give a speech **no longer than three minutes**.

April 5, 2019

7.2 of Bylaws – Date of Eligibility/Record for Voting. You must be a paid member which is ten (10) days before voting, so it would in the membership's best interest to renew at the April 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. You can always hand deliver your renewal to the VP Membership if you fail to get it in the mail on time.

April 15, 2019

Membership Absentee ballots will be picked up at the Westlake Post Office on a daily basis. The final pick up from the Post Office will be the day of our Elections, April 15<sup>th</sup>, before the meeting. If your ballot is not there, then it will not be counted. If you are unsure that it may be late, we would advise you to bring it to the meeting or have someone else do so.

For an absentee to be valid, the name of the member voting shall appear on the envelope in which the ballot is contained. Each absentee ballot must be checked off with the Membership list that is to be generated within the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) day before the date of the annual election meeting.

**Ballots will be available in the April Newsletter, on-line and also at the club meetings.**







## 2021 CSSC Travel Trip Leaders Wanted

We have three great travel trips lined up for 2020, but it's already time to begin planning our 2021 trips!

We are looking for enthusiastic and organized CSSC members who are interested in leading a CSSC travel trip. While there is some planning and details involved, we have experienced trip leaders who can provide support, share their experience, and answer your questions. Trip leaders get to know fellow travelers and CSSC board members, learn about their chosen destination, and, if the group is large enough, may qualify for a "comp."

Do you have what it takes to lead a travel trip? I think you might....and leading a trip IS a lot of fun! If you are looking for travel trip ideas that appeal to our club members, email me and I will send you the results of last year's travel trip survey where CSSC members describe places they would like to visit.

Once you've developed your travel trip idea, please provide the information requested below and submit it on or before March 13, 2020. In late March, we will send a survey to club members to determine how many are interested in your trip idea and move forward from there.

My email address is [phillipscaroc@gmail.com](mailto:phillipscaroc@gmail.com).

Places to be visited: _____	
_____	
Type of trip: _____	
_____	
_____	
Approximate # of days: _____	Month of trip: _____
Estimated Cost: _____	
Your Name: _____	Phone Number: _____
Additional Information: _____	
_____	







A notice was posted Sunday afternoon (February 9<sup>th</sup>) on the Mammoth Mountain website that simply read, “Thank you, Dave McCoy, for everything.” No other details were given.

No other details were really necessary for anyone who has ever resided in, visited or skied in Mammoth, California. To say he was a pioneer is simply an understatement that does not reflect the remarkable accomplishments of this man who followed his singular dream to bring skiers to Mammoth Mountain for simply the fun of it and then turned that dream into a reality beyond unimaginable odds.

He was 104. He founded Mammoth Mountain in 1942 and operated the resort for 68 years. He skied until 2008 when he was 92-years-young.

Born August 24, 1915 in El Segundo, Dave was the son of a nomadic paving contractor with a passion for machinery. Shortly after graduating from high school, he moved to Independence, an eastern Sierra hamlet where they still talk about his speeding along Highway 395 on a brown and yellow Harley Davidson with a red bandanna tied around his head. Lashed to the side of that motorcycle were skis he carved from ash wood.

Mammoth Mountain was one of the three most-visited ski resorts in 2018, drawing about 1.21 million skiers and boarders, most of whom drove there on weekends from Southern California. “It’s a unique creation that wasn’t hatched in a corporate planning room or a focus group” said Hal Clifford, executive editor of Orion, a nature and culture magazine.

Dave and his beloved Roma have 6 children, 17 grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great grandchild. They also have the admiration and gratitude of everyone that has ever skied Mammoth. Dave will remain both an inspiration and a legend for us all.







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TELLURIDE, CO.





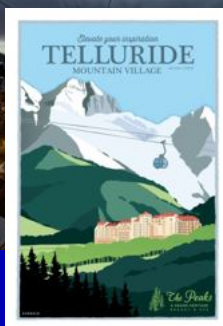
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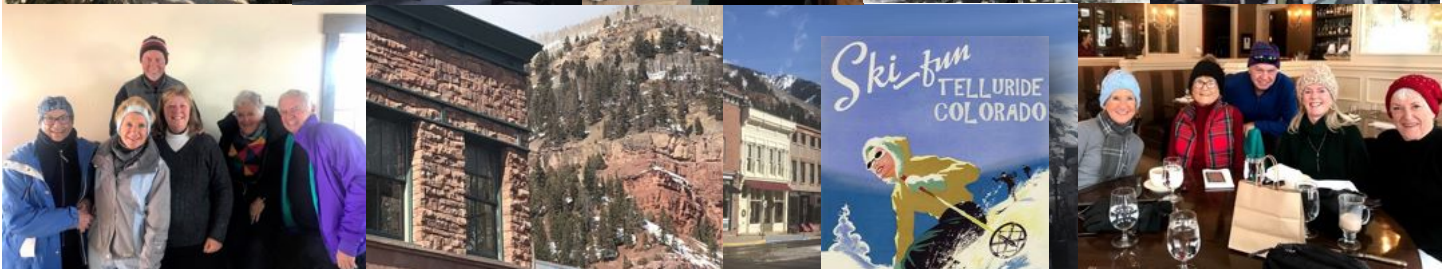
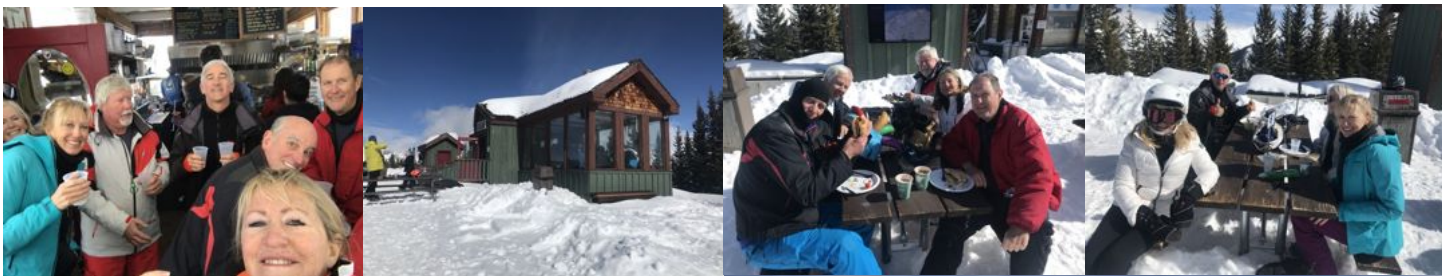




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**Feb 20-23**  
**Mammoth Ski Trip #2**



# Conejo Ski & Sports Club

presents:

*"Shh. Be vewy vewy quiet. I'm hunting wabbits! Hak-hak-hak-hak!"*

# Mammoth 2020



## You won't want to miss-

- 3-day trips – ski Friday, Saturday & Sunday
- Friends, snacks, fun and movies on the bus
- Friday night happy hour with bus transportation
- Group dinner and social Saturday night
- Skiing with groups of friends

## You don't ski? We'll guide you to-

- a skiing/snowboarding lesson
- cross-country skiing
- snowmobiling
- snowshoeing
- sightseeing and shopping

Dates (Thurs. – Sun.)

January

**Were GREAT**

February

March

**19-22**

*7 Spots Left*

**Helmet Req'd.**



Cost per trip: **\$330** (Non-Members \$370: \$330 + separate \$40 payment for membership along with membership application, see website for application.)

Cost includes: round-trip bus ride with refreshments and movies, condo; Saturday evening dinner; bus to and from the slopes.

- First come first served roommate/room.
- Members Only – (please submit membership application as required\*)
- No one under 21 years old.

**Cash or Make checks payable to CSSC.** Only one trip check per person or couple. \*Membership check must be separate. Deliver to Gary Huettinger at Club meetings or mail to: Gary Huettinger, 2927 Corpus Cristi St., Simi Valley, CA 93063

**Contact Mammoth VP: Gary Huettinger**  
**818.497.4000**

CST #2109794



## Mammoth 2020 Reservation Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ male or female? (circle)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ cell/home/business (circle)

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ roommate\*: \_\_\_\_\_

\*This field is optional –

Note: Bedrooms are King or Queen only

Emergency Contact

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



Please indicate the trip(s) your are registering for:

Jan. 09-12	Amount: _____	Check #: _____
Feb. 20-23	Amount: _____	Check #: _____
Mar. 19-22	Amount: _____	Check #: _____

### Cancellation Policy and Liability Waiver

Cancellation policy for Mammoth trips: a \$25 cancellation fee applies for any cancellation. Cancellations with less than 50 days notice will be assessed a 50% fee unless a replacement participant is provided. No refund for cancellations less than 7 days unless a replacement participant is provided. Trip leader is not responsible for finding replacement participants.

I recognize the inherent dangers associated with the Conejo Ski & Sports Club trips/activities and agree to voluntarily accept all risks associated with Mammoth Ski Trips. I release Conejo Ski & Sports Club and its officers and all agents from any and all liabilities arising from accidents, injuries, and other incident which occurs during travel or participation in Mammoth ski trips. I agree to the Terms & Conditions of this trip/activity, including cancellation charges, as specified on this flyer, in the newsletter, or on the club website. I have read and understand the terms, conditions and cancellation policy for this trip/activity.

I have read and agree to all the terms under the Cancellation Policies and Liability Waiver.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



*You're invited to a Coneja Ski & Sports Club*  
**SAINT PATRICK DAY MURDER...**  
*March 13, 2020 6:00 p.m.*

Meet us at Seamus O'Malley's Pub and Grub for a corned beef and cabbage dinner & dessert, lots of fun, and a **KILLER** treasure hunt. It promises to be the adventure of a lifetime. The prize (assuming you survive, of course) is  
**"A Pot of Gold."**

**Your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to solve a murder (or two).**  
*Are you up to the challenge?*

We want you to be fully involved in the experience. Wear a costume and in character (perhaps you're a witness, a detective, a desperate gold digger? Or maybe your just wearing a hat, of course, but it will enhance your whole experience. Get ready to play!

Who among you will become a cold-blooded killer? A victim?  
Be warned and beware, it could be the person standing right next to you!  
No one knows...

**We need six Prime Suspects and two Secondary Suspects to pull this murder off.**  
**....we really LOVE our Suspects.....will it be you?**

**Seamus O'Malley:** The pub owner who'll do anything to keep his tavern afloat.

**Officer Johnny Malone:** Seamus' cousin.

**Peter Blackwell:** He's the mastermind behind this **"Pot of Gold"** PR campaign for Seamus.

**Moir Blackwell:** Peter's wealthy wife.

**Irma Snell:** Peter's research analyst.

**Lurleen Johnson:** A contestant in the treasure hunt.

Detailed character information will be emailed on February 20 to those who want to be suspects then you can then choose the character you want to be.

**Home of Sandy Palmer, 2637 San Miguel Court, Thousand Oaks, CA**  
**Bring Your Own Booze. Limited to 50 persons.**

**Sign up at meeting or mail your check in the amount of \$25 payable to CSSC to Sandy Palmer- No signups at the door. No refunds.**

**For more info contact Sandy Palmer at 805-432-7195 [lovseeyore@yahoo.com](mailto:lovseeyore@yahoo.com)**  
**Or Carolyn Phillips – 805-796-7015 [phillipscaroc@gmail.com](mailto:phillipscaroc@gmail.com)**





## Paradise Falls Hike

Saturday, March 28



Join Lou on a moderate hike (4 miles round-trip; 625 ft. elevation) to Paradise Falls & Indian Cave. Step on stones that cross a line of cattails below the pool, for the best view of the falls. It is the time of the year when the hills are awash with the brilliant colors of wildflowers. If we are lucky we will see displays of Lilies, Golden Poppies, Indian Paintbrush, Orange Sticky Monkey and Blue Dicks.

Meet promptly at 9:00am at Wildwood Dirt Parking Lot (928 W. Avenida de Los Arboles, Thousand Oaks CA

Directions to the trailhead: Take the Highway 101/Ventura Freeway, to Thousand Oaks, exit 45, Lynn Road. Drive North for ~ 2.5 miles on Lynn Road, and turn left on Avenida de los Arboles. Drive ~1 mile to the end of the street and loop around to park in the dirt parking lot. Bring hiking shoes, plenty of water, munchies, hat, sunglasses and sunscreen.

Leader: Lou Patalano; [LouisPatalano@aol.com](mailto:LouisPatalano@aol.com) (Rain Postpones the Hike)







# NEW ORLEANS!

**Price includes Airfare**  
(to purchase your own airfare, contact Ann)  
**MEMBERS ONLY**

**Double Occupancy: \$1225/person**  
**Single Occupancy: \$1800/person**

**\$300 deposit due on sign-up**

**2nd payment due 11/6/19: \$450 double occ.**

**\$700 single occ.**

**Final payment due 1/4/20: \$475 double occ.**

**\$800 single occ.**

## **CANCELLATION POLICY AND FEES:**

**Single Occ: Double Occ:**

**\$150 \$150 On or before 1/4/20**

**\$445 \$300 1/5/20 – 2/14/20**

**\$900 \$575 2/15/20 – 3/1/20**

**NO REFUNDS ON OR AFTER 3/1/2020  
UNLESS SUITABLE REPLACEMENT IS FOUND.  
PLEASE READ FULL CANCELLATION POLICY  
AND FEES ON REGISTRATION FORM.**

**April 17-21, 2020**

**5 days, 4 nights**

**Join your fellow club members on this  
exciting trip to The Big Easy!**

**Price includes: Swamp tour, French Quarter  
walking tour, City/Katrina tour,  
Creole cooking class, riverboat cruise,  
plantation tour, 4 breakfasts and 3 lunches.**

**We'll stay at the lovely Hotel Mazarin, which  
is within the French Quarter and an easy walk  
to Bourbon Street. Hotel Mazarin is  
affectionately known as the "Diamond of the  
French Quarter," and exudes all the charm of  
New Orleans – most rooms wrap around a  
verdant brick courtyard anchored by a  
European fountain surrounded by a wrought-  
iron gallery, making it the hottest centerpiece.**

**Buffet breakfast daily!**

**NOTE: REGISTRATION FORMS AND WAIVERS ARE  
AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD ON OUR CSSC WEBSITE**

**Get on the Waiting List**

**TO SIGN UP: Mail your deposit check of \$300 per person  
made out to "CSSC" to Conejo Ski & Sports Club, Attn Ann Wright  
P.O. Box 6276, Westlake Village, CA 91359.**

**Print out and complete registration form and waiver found on our website and mail in with your check.**

**If you wish to be matched with a roommate, send in your deposit with a note requesting a  
roommate and an attempt will be made to match you up. If no suitable roommate is available,  
you have the option of canceling or signing up at the single occupancy rate.**

**20 rooms are available. If I receive more deposits than there are rooms for,  
a lottery will be held at the meeting of September 18, 2019.**

**Couples will have one ticket in the drawing for one room, singles with roommates will  
have one ticket in the drawing for one room, and singles without roommates will have  
one ticket in the drawing for one room. Everyone has an equal chance.**

**CUT-OFF DATE FOR INITIAL SIGN-UPS/LOTTERY IS SEPT. 14<sup>TH</sup> - NO EXCEPTIONS!**

**Trip Leader: Ann Wright 805-341-4652 [awright10@gmail.com](mailto:awright10@gmail.com)**

**It is recommended that you purchase travel insurance. CA Seller of Travel No. 2109794-40**





KENTUCKY DERBY

Place Your Bets & Join Us

*Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> 1pm - 5pm*



**Southern Style Lunch will be Served**

**The Home of Shirley & Jeff Thorne  
Thousand Oaks 91362**



**PARTY**

**EAT**

Join the fun as we cheer the most exciting 2 minutes in sports!

"Bet" on your favorite horse.

Prizes, games & the live broadcast from Churchill Downs

Mint Julep fixings will be provided (BYO bourbon)

**DRINK**

Ladies....most fancy hat

Gentlemen... most dapper look (colorful bow ties encouraged)

Cost: \$15 members/ non -members \$20 (Non Refundable)

Space is limited

**PRIZES**



Contact Sandy Palmer to RSVP  
or Questions at 805-432-7195





# WHICH DO YOU WANT TO READ FIRST?

GOOD NEWS



BAD NEWS



The Board of Directors are sorry to announce we have **CANCELLED** the “always popular” Annual Cachuma Lake Camping Trip scheduled for **May 2020** due to the absence of volunteers needed to help plan and run the event successfully.

**We are seeking volunteers** (with trip-organizing experience) **NOW** to organize and lead our next **Annual Cachuma Lake Camping Trip** tentatively scheduled for **June 2021**. Please contact Jim Robertson or Margret Barnett now!





Conejo Ski & Sports Club  
**YOSEMITE**  
**National Park Trip**  
**June 5-8, 2020**



Join us for our **32<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL** trip to Curry Village

Join us for a little slice of heaven, in the extremely beautiful Yosemite Valley. Tent cabins come furnished with beds, sheets, blankets, pillows and an outside food locker (bring your own lock). Other amenities include a swimming pool, shower & bathroom facilities, a general store, and a pavilion with a variety of dining options. The easiest way to get around Yosemite is on a bicycle, but if you prefer, there is free shuttle service that goes to all Yosemite Valley locations and trail heads.

Explore by hiking one of the numerous trails (all levels from easy to strenuous), or bicycling around the village (no e-bikes). You can also float down the Merced River, assuming the water level is not too high, in a rented raft, or bring your own raft or tube. We might even play some volleyball or corn hole.

***Transportation to Yosemite is on your own or by carpool, which you will arrange.***



After exploring all day, join us for  
Happy Hour each evening (BYOB)

**Appetizers will be provided**



**DOUBLE CABINS - \$275 pp**  
**TRIPLE CABINS - \$210 pp**  
**QUAD CABINS - \$175 pp**

***Must be a club member***

**Contact Julianne Seeley for more information (805) 722-2921**

Sign up at a club meeting or mail your check payable to CSSC to:

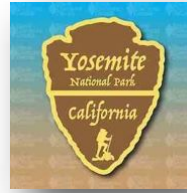
**Julianne Seeley • 4962 Via Fresco • Camarillo • 93012**

***Cancellation Policy: No Refunds without replacement of same sex as you. \$30 cancellation fee if replacement is found.***



## INFORMATION SHEET FOR YOSEMITE

If you're interested in carpooling to Yosemite, contact Julianne for a list of those attending so you can try to work out your own carpool.



### GETTING TO YOSEMITE

Take the 101 South to the I-5 North

Take the turn off to CA-99 toward Fresno

Exit at the CA-41 north to Yosemite

There is an entry fee of **\$35 per car to get into Yosemite. With NP Senior pass it is free.**

Continue to Yosemite Valley and follow the signs to Half Dome Village .

- Upon arrival, check in at the Registration Desk.
- Keys to your cabin will be available on **Friday after 4:00 p.m.**
- If you'd like help getting your luggage to your cabin, ask for assistance when you check in. One of the staff will meet you in the parking lot with a golf cart to load up your luggage (Please tip nicely as we find they love CSSC because we take care of them).

### WHAT TO BRING

- Hiking Boots and Tennis Shoes, hiking poles
- Folding Chair (for evening happy hours)
- Bicycle and helmet (w/locks). This is a club event. Helmets MUST be worn if on a bicycle.
- Swim suit (pool and raft trips)
- Camera
- Flashlight. Socket adaptor to provide an outlet source (Julianne will provide photo later).
- Casual clothes (or dressier for optional meals at the Ahwahnee Hotel)
- Board games, books, cards, etc.
- Inflatable raft to float down the river (if you don't want to rent one)
- Bottled waters, drinks, **BYOB** (wine or your choice of libation)
- Since there is no cooking allowed in the camp, expect to eat out (various restaurants, buffets, etc).
- If you want to bring food, a bear locker is available at each tent-cabin (small ice chests fit in the lockers). You need to bring your own lock. NO FOOD IS ALLOWED IN THE CABINS! Be sure to follow the storage rules as there are **BEARS**.
- *Sheets, blankets, and pillows are provided* (you may bring your sleeping bag or ask for additional blankets at check-in).
- *Towels are also provided* (but you may want to bring your own).

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- We will be coordinating various hikes, bike rides, rafting adventures, and possibly a pool party or two. We will distribute information on the activities prior to the trip and there will be signs posted in our group cabin area with the times and meeting locations. Please volunteer to lead.
- Appetizers will be provided for the Happy Hour get-togethers at the end of each day.
- There is free shuttle offered to/from all destinations in Yosemite Valley. Tram or bus tours are also available, for a fee, the valley floor and to Glacier Point, and a tram tour at Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias near Wawona. Horseback tours are also available.



# Monterey

....it's all about the journey....train, kayak, E-bike.

**July 9-13, 2020**

**5 days/4 nights/ 9 meals**

**\$1,225 PP DOUBLE OCC**

**Includes First Class RT Rail Fare from  
Oxnard to Monterey  
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## Amtrak's Coast Starlight

### Included Monterey adventures:

1. 2 1/2 hour Kayaking tour in the Elkhorn Slough observing sea otters, sea lions, jellies, and myriad sea birds—includes an opportunity to continue kayaking on your own after tour;
2. Meander up and down the hills of Pebble Beach on our guided E-bike tour along the legendary scenic 17-Mile Drive;
3. Historical walking tour of Monterey & Cannery Row;
4. Three glorious hours of food, drink, history, camaraderie, and an insider's view in our 1-stop food and wine tour of Carmel-by-the-Sea;
5. Admission to the world-class Monterey Bay Aquarium;
6. All tips for guides

We'll stay at the lovely Boutique Hotel in Monterey, junior suites equipped with private bathroom and dining areas, and balcony or patio. Breakfast included in this tour. Breakfast in this downtown location near Fisherman's Wharf and Cannery Row. Appetizers and wine included on Friday and Saturday.

### ALL ABOARD

for your First Class experience on one of the most scenic rail routes in our country—the Coast Starlight. Enjoy stunning vistas as we hug the coast through Santa Barbara, balance the trestles over Refugio, ride the cliffsides of Point Conception through Vandenberg and Lompoc, then turn inland toward SLO, Paso, and onto the vast and fertile Salinas Valley drinking in spectacular natural beauty along the way.

Relax with a glass of wine in your private room in Amtrak's Superliner Sleeping car or join others for conversation and observation and public use for conversation, a round of drinks, games, or a wine & cheese tasting. A delicious lunch and dinner is included.

Amtrak's Coast Starlight is comfortable, relaxing, and a fun alternative to flying or driving. No one must take this epic journey at least once in their lifetime.

**SOLD OUT!**

Leader: Carolyn Phillips — 805-796-7015  
phillipscaroc@gmail.com

18 Places Available (Lottery if needed)

Sign-ups on Feb. 5, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

\$400 deposit due at sign up. Final payment due May 1, 2020.

\$400 is non-refundable without replacement.

No refunds after May 15, 2020 unless replacement found.



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## CANADA/NEW ENGLAND STATES FALL FOLIAGE CRUISE

OCTOBER 7-16, 2020 CSSC CST # 2109794 & Vacations to Go CST # 2043190

We will arrive in Quebec City mid-morning on October 8<sup>th</sup> and head off for a special Ile d'Orleans Tour (possibly with wine tastings at a vineyard or two) for the afternoon. We then check into our 4-star hotel, the Courtyard by Marriott in Quebec City (which is only 3 years old and even has a Starbucks located inside for those diehard coffee lovers). Welcome Dinner at the hotel with wine is included. All rooms include 2 queen beds. The next morning after having our included breakfast, we check out and head off to our pre-selected bike or city walking tour. One bike tour is a flat 16 miles, and goes to the famous **Montmorency Falls**, with stops at points of interest along the way. When we arrive at the bottom of the falls, we'll take a cable car to the top of the cliff, for a breathtaking view of the falls. We will walk over to a suspended bridge where there is a panoramic view of the Saint Lawrence Seaway. The other bike tour is the Lower Town tour, and is a flat 8 miles of fabulous site seeing in the historical district and heritage sites, exploring some of the more revitalized neighborhoods and plunging into the heart of the French Quebecois culture, with a stop at a Farmers Market with local products and tastings (we must have a minimum of 6 guests for this tour). There is an option for an "E" bike for an additional fee of approximately \$20. For those that feel they just can't do any biking, you will be included in a walking tour of the historical city (we must have a minimum of 4 guests for this tour). After our tours we will be picked up by our private coach and taken to the port to board our cruise ship, the **Norwegian Gem** and sail for the next 7 days. Our cruise ship will stop at the following places:

Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island; Sydney, Nova Scotia; Halifax, Nova Scotia; Bar Harbor, Maine and Portland, Maine. We disembark the ship in Boston.

The below prices include the guided island tour, the city bike (or walking tour), our hotel with dinner/wine and breakfast and private coach. The below prices do not include gratuities of about \$10 per day and do not include air. Air is not available for our tour, but research is showing fares of \$50-\$100 for air.

Inside cabin double occupancy: \$1,685 pp (includes the ship port fees & taxes of \$436.79).

Inside cabin single occupancy: \$2,280 (includes the ship port fees & taxes of \$436.79).

Outside cabin with ocean view double occupancy: **\$1,685 pp** (includes the ship port fees & taxes of \$436.79).

Outside cabin with ocean view single occupancy: \$2,280 (includes the ship port fees & taxes of \$436.79).

Balcony cabin double occupancy: **\$2,405 pp** (includes the ship port fees & taxes of \$436.79).

Balcony cabin single occupancy: \$4,440 (includes the ship port fees & taxes of \$436.79).

Built in 2007, and updated in 2015, The **Norwegian Gem** is one of the smaller ships in the Norwegian fleet. The ship boasts 15 dining venues, ranging from the 24-hour O'Sheehan's pub, to seven specialty restaurants. The ship's Stardust Theatre, which is always packed, presents nightly Broadway and Vegas Style productions, comedy and magic acts, and a Cirque du Soleil style aerial thriller including gymnastics, acrobatics and bungee jumpers. Evening and late-night attractions include 50's/60's dance and comedy show, the Not-So-Newlywed game, and the Liars Club. The Spinakers Lounge is a big favorite for people of the 60's and 70's with a great rock and roll band. The ship has an attractive casino with two hundred video games and slot machines, including penny slots, and crap tables offering Las Vegas style betting odds.

We will also plan some club exclusive events on the ship, such as our own private cocktail party and some club exclusive optional land excursions in each port.

To sign up, write out a deposit check of \$300 per person made out to **CSSC**. Print out & complete the Sign-up form and waiver form found on the CSSC website and mail it along with a copy of your passport to Julianne Seeley 4962 Via Fresco, Camarillo, CA 93012. Contact info: [julianne.seeley@brightview.com](mailto:julianne.seeley@brightview.com) or 805-722-2921.



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# Thailand with a Twist

A custom, action-packed itinerary developed specifically for members of Conejo Ski & Sports Club who are looking for just the right combination of outdoor adventure, cultural exploration and relaxation.

**Nov. 20 to Dec. 2, 2020 - 12 days plus 3-night extension to December 5, 2020**

We'll begin by exploring bustling Bangkok, then jet up north to Thailand's "cultural heart" where we'll spend five days exploring its rugged mountains, lush jungles, diverse peoples, and authentic Thai culture by bathing baby elephants, visiting temples & hill tribes, cooking Thai food, jungle trekking, ziplining with gibbons, hiking, and so much more! Then we'll fly 1,000 miles south to the tropics to relax, or pump it up, with snorkeling, diving, island hopping, white water rafting, and kayaking options along the white sand beaches of Krabi before heading home or on to our Khao Sok extension. In Khao Sok, we'll "tree camp" in one of the oldest and most diverse rainforests on earth, home of the world's largest flower, wild elephants, and hundreds of limestone karsts jutting above the emerald hued water of Khao Sok lake. Then onto Phuket Island for an evening where those with an open-mind and sense of humor might opt for an after-dark stroll down Bangla Road to explore its nightclubs, bars, and unique nocturnal festivities.



**1 Space  
Available**

• 2 nights Bangkok • 1 night Chiang Rai • 4 nights Chiang Mai • 3 nights Krabi Town  
++Extension: • 2 nights Khao Sok. • 1 night Phuket **Trip Leader: Carolyn Phillips**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Buddhist Temples - Bangkok</li> <li>• Railway Market or Umbrella Market</li> <li>• The Grand Palace - ancient Siamese Court</li> <li>• Floating Market - Bangkok</li> <li>• Tuk night food tour (Bangkok – optional)</li> <li>• Hall of Opium</li> <li>• Visit of tea plantation</li> <li>• Boat trip on the Mekong River</li> <li>• Golden Triangle, borders of Thailand, Myanmar, and Laos</li> <li>• Wat Rong Khun Temple - all white and glass</li> <li>• Maekrajan Wiang hot springs</li> <li>• Gibbon Zipline excursion, 18 ziplines, 30 stations, 3 sky bridges with gibbons watching (optional, see pg. 6)</li> <li>• Chiang Dao Cave exploration</li> <li>• Krabi town with its white sand beaches</li> <li>• Orchid farm</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cultural Cycling tour "Color of Chiang Mai" ½ day (optional, see detailed itinerary)</li> <li>• Cultural experience – Karen, Palong, and Lahu hill tribe visits</li> <li>• Wat Doi Suthep mountaintop temple tour</li> <li>• Butterfly sanctuary</li> <li>• Jungle trekking at Doi Inthanon National Park (optional, see detailed itinerary)</li> <li>• Local Hill Tribe museum</li> <li>• "Kantoke Dinner" featuring local specialties and tribal singing and dancing</li> <li>• Patara Elephant Day Care Camp – bath a baby elephant!</li> <li>• Private cooking class with dinner at a Thai cookery school</li> <li>• Farewell dinner in Krabi Town</li> <li>• Extension: Khao Sok National Park and Phuket Island</li> </ul> |
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**Tuesday Night**

*Grass  
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**Meet at 4 PM** at Kimber Park Volleyball Courts,  
3295 Bear Creek Drive, Newbury Park.

**MARCH 10 - OCTOBER 27**

**2nd Wednesday**

**of the month**

**7:00-10:00 p.m**

West San Fernando Valley

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**4th Wednesday**

**of the month**

**7:00-10:00 p.m**

In Thousand Oaks:

Carolyn Curtis's home

3077 Dutch Elm Circle

(805) 341-0438

**Friday Nights 6:00-8:00 p.m.**

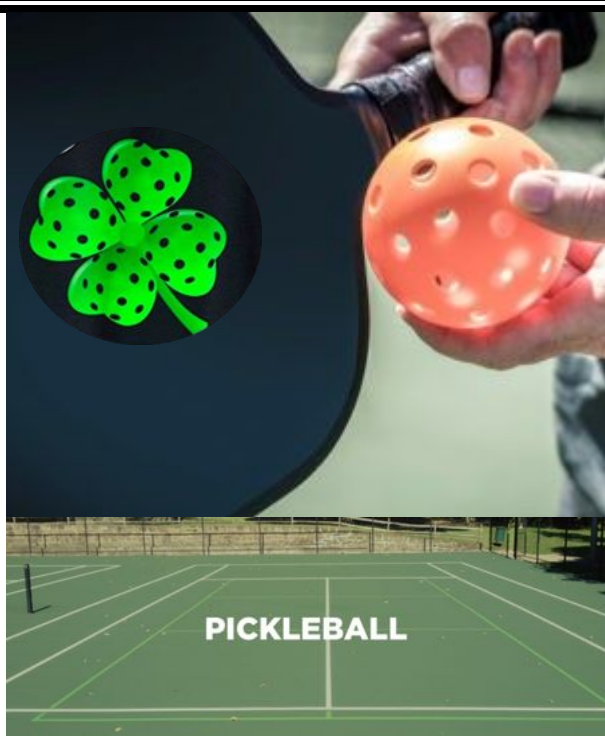
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FOR DETAILS CONTACT: ANN WRIGHT (805) 341-4652  
(Canceled with rain or high winds)

Friday night pickleball is designed to introduce members to this wonderful sport, as well as to provide open play for members who already know how to play. Beginners will learn the basics. Experienced players will get to play with other club members at a similar skill level, or challenge players at a higher level.

**If you need beginner level equipment, please contact Ann Wright in advance so she can have it available for you.**

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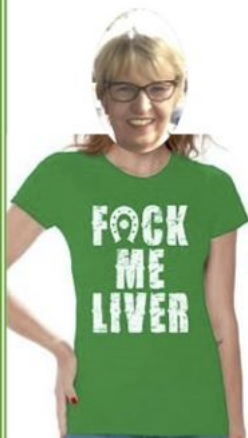
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## Board Meeting

Members are invited to attend Board meetings on  
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Call one of your Board Members for the location of  
the Board meeting



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