



Fun in the "OC" Sun – Far West Ski Association's 87th Annual Convention

As a club member, we invite you to attend the **87th Annual Far West Ski Association Convention** scheduled for June 13-16, 2019 at the fabulous Hyatt Regency Indian Wells Resort & Spa, hosted by the Orange Council of Ski Clubs, with volunteer support from the Los Angeles Council of Ski Clubs. This year's theme is *Fun in the "OC" Sun*.

The Hyatt Regency is a real oasis in the desert. Spacious rooms provide the ultimate luxury in accommodations, and there are five dining options to choose from on the property. There are two championship golf courses, seven swimming pools, three hard-surface tennis courts and a 24-hour Fitness Center which includes complimentary classes. Bicycles are even available on a complimentary basis for a relaxing ride. Take the opportunity to come early and stay late for a once-in-a-lifetime group rate at this world renowned Resort and Spa.

This year's activities will highlight the greater Palm Springs community, with a **visit to the Palm Springs Air Museum** and a **Legends & Icons Home Tour** on Thursday. Our traditional **Get Your Party On Pub Crawl** Thursday Evening features a visit to the iconic "Street Fair" in downtown Palm Springs. Friday's optional Events include the **13th Annual Michael German Memorial Golf Tournament**, a ride on the **San Jacinto Tram** and a **Spa Day at Agua Serena Spa**, followed by a private **Pool Party** at the Hyatt hosted by the Central Council of California.

Friday evening will kick off with the **Club Happy Hour** with snacks, followed by a **Welcome Party** with a hosted drink, and the **34th Annual Silent Auction and Snowsports Trade Show**. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the United States Adaptive Recreation Program (USARC) at Bear Mountain. The event features over \$85,000 in snowsports and adventure trips up for bid. Dancing to the tunes of Victor Cannon of *Can Do Productions* will be featured throughout the evening.

We are conducting **3 Snowsports Leadership Academy** sessions again this year, with snowsport, leadership and club educational topics, **Public Affairs Panels** with Forest Service personnel and celebrity guests, and a **Racing Seminar**. Module presentations include club liability and insurance, planning and executing a successful ski trip, and how to overcome objections to build your membership and leadership pipeline in your club and council. Facilitators include an impressive list of experts in their designated fields. Special guests will include **Billy Kidd**, Olympic Silver Medalist and host for the FWSA's 2019 Ski Week to Steamboat, Colorado.

Saturday evening will be amazing. Enjoy dinner and dancing to DJ Victor Cannon, with FWSA friends and industry partners. The theme for the evening's event is *Swing and Sway in the Desert Breeze*. Sunday's agenda includes the FWSA's annual business meeting with election of officers, and presentations of charity, club and council awards.

For complete details regarding all Convention activities and to make your room reservations and registration, please visit www.fwsa.org. You can also contact Debbi Kor, FWSA Convention Chair, fwsadebbi@comcast.net or Sheila Van Guilder, Orange Council President and Convention Coordinator at svanguil@yahoo.com.

We have many sponsors for this Convention, which will be full of many fun and educational events. This one will provide you with memories of new adventures! It's time to visit the Palm Spring and take in all that the desert community has to offer! This Convention will be one not to be missed. Come and join the fun!