

## BENEFITS

Council clubs and direct members enjoy many benefits from their FWSA membership, including excellent trips at reduced rates, recreational racing, industry discounts and the opportunity to participate in Far West's special events, including the annual Convention.

Additional benefits are available through Far West's membership and affiliations with other associations.

### Far West is a member of

- National Ski Areas Association (NSAA)
- National Ski Council Federation (NSCF)

### Far West is affiliated with

- US National Ski Patrol System (NSPS)
- Far West Ski Foundation (FWSF)
- Far West Racing Association (FWRA)

Far West has embraced social media in an effort to expand their membership base. Far West is active on Facebook, google+, twitter and YouTube. QR codes are included on our printed material. The Far West website is freshly redesigned, overhauled and updated. PayPal is now available via the website.

Be sure to visit us to find out more about our programs.



## The Far West Ski Association

FWSA covers twelve states with nine regional COUNCILS with more than 150 CLUBS and a combined membership of over 50,000 skiers, snowboarders and snowsport enthusiasts.



### Arizona Ski Council

Greater Phoenix Area  
<http://arizonaskicouncil.org>



### Bay Area Snow Sports Council

Northern California  
<http://skibac.org>



### Central Council of California Ski Clubs

Central California  
<http://centralcouncilskiclubs.org>



### Intermountain Ski Council

Colorado, Idaho, South Dakota, Utah, Wyoming  
<http://intermountainskicouncil.org>



### Los Angeles Council of Ski Clubs

Greater Los Angeles Area  
<http://lacouncil.org>



### Northwest Ski Club Council

Oregon, Washington, Alaska, Hawaii  
<http://nwski.org>



### Orange Council of Ski Clubs

Greater Orange County Area  
<http://orangecouncil.org>



### San Diego Council of Ski Clubs

Greater San Diego Area  
<http://skisandiego.org>



### Sierra League & Council

Northern California & Nevada  
<http://sierraleague.com>

"The Voice of the Western Skier"



*The Far West Ski Association is one of the largest associations of snowsport enthusiasts in the U.S.*

*Through our activities and programs, we have earned the title The Voice of the Western Skier.*

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# Far West Ski Association

## FWSA Programs

If you are a member of a club that belongs to a Council in the Far West family, you are automatically a member of the Far West Ski Association and are entitled to all the benefits. You may also join Far West as a Direct Member and be a part of the activities that includes the Far West Ski Association.

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### TRAVEL

Far West travels to exciting world-renowned locations to explore, ski and soak up the local culture. Our trips are thoroughly planned and well organized. Trips are structured to make it easy to meet up, party and keep abreast of all event activities.

We offer annual North American Ski Weeks, an International Ski Week, Dive trip, Cruise and adventure trips.



### SCHOLARSHIPS

Far West awards Athletic Scholarships to developing Alpine ski racers participating in programs within the Far West geographic region.

Scholarships assist athletes who are committed to pursuing a competitive Alpine racing program. Scholarship funds are used to offset training expenses and competition entrance fees.



### RECOGNITION

Far West has a sophisticated and far reaching recognition program. The earliest awards documented started almost 50 years ago, in 1966.

Currently, the program enjoys recognition by the Western SkiSport Museum located at Boreal Ridge, CA. The museum maintains a display of award recipients and archives



### PUBLICATIONS

Far West produces five major publications throughout the year. Each one has a different target audience beyond our membership. All are geared towards skiing and boarding in the Far West region.

- *Far West Skier's Guide*
- *The Councilman*
- Far West News Flash
- Far West Delegate Book
- Far West Awards Book



### COMMUNITY

Far West promotes charity and community involvement through our councils and clubs. A portion of the proceeds from our annual Silent Auction is donated to a local adaptive sports program.

Far West works closely with the not-for-profit **Far West Ski Foundation** in support of Athletic Scholarships, Women's Ski Jumping USA, Disabled Sports, the preservation of snowsports history and more.



### CONVENTION

Far West Ski Association hosts an annual convention, typically held the second weekend of June. The convention changes location from year to year and is hosted by the local council and ski clubs. The weekend features special guests, celebrities and our very supportive ski industry partners.

In addition to the business aspects of the convention, there's a fun side, too.

The convention kicks off on Thursday night with a Pub Crawl. It's a great way for the ski industry and delegates to meet and greet on an informal basis.

On Friday morning there is a myriad of opportunities for play. Typically, we offer

golf, hiking, rafting, spa treatment, wine touring or activities unique to the area. Afterwards, we meet at the pool for a sponsored party.

On Friday evening there is a Silent Auction, Happy Hour and Ski Show. The event is open to the public. On Saturday we get down to business

with a Travel Expo, panels and program meetings, Snowsports Leadership Academy, Awards Luncheon, a Keynote Presentation, Cocktail Party and Awards Dinner and Dance.

Business continues on Sunday with elections, club and council awards, reports and a brunch.