



Intermountain Ski Council Rendezvous at Sun Valley

by Paul Markowitz (Photos by Steve Strickland & Kimberly DeWit)

2021 marked the sixth year that Intermountain Ski Council (ISC) has held the Ski Trip Rendezvous at Sun Valley January 3-10, 2021, for all ISC member ski clubs to participate. This has been a favorite ski trip destination for BBSC for many years and for many reasons. We were able to hold the Sun Valley trip this year with COVID-19 protocols. This was a self-drive trip with no group transportation; we stayed in small known groups, and we masked when in lift lines or indoors.

Snow sculpture at Sun Valley Lodge.



Happy BBSC skiers at Sun Valley on a bluebird day.

Twenty-six BBSC members participated in the Rendezvous this year, and most of us did not see much of each other except when we were skiing.

Relaxing in the heated pool at Sun Valley Lodge after skiing.

The skiing was good, and the long groomed runs were fast and fun. The bowls were also very skiable. Lift lines were short. We had sunshine every day so we could even sit outside with a warm patio and heaters after skiing making it a very pleasant afternoon. The





large heated pool was a welcome refuge after a day on the slopes. As always, the Sun Valley Lodge was a welcoming pleasant place to visit.

We did have a small get together one afternoon outside in the parking lot of the Cottenwood Condos where the BBSC Raffle drawings were held.

Gathering for the BBSC Raffle Drawing.

Sun Valley Ski Trip

by Steve Strickland (Photos by Steve Strickland)

The annual Sun Valley trip was full of fun with thousand-smile days. The condos were so comfortable and close to the lodge. After an incredible day of skiing Baldy, the heated pool was so relaxing. It was great to see some familiar faces grinning from ear to ear, experiencing the magic of Sun Valley. I had a bluebird day. We had a great get together for our annual raffle drawing. There was free beer while we watched the sunset over Mt Baldy. I am looking forward to next year.



View of Ketchum from the top of one of Sun Valley's long ski runs.



From our condos we viewed the glow of the sunrise on Baldy on a bluebird day for skiing.



Enjoying our favorite libations at the end of the day.

Reflections from Sun Valley

by Kimberly DeWit (Photos by Steve Strickland and Kimberly DeWit)

I've lived in Boise and been a downhill skier for about 15 years; yet I can count on one hand my visits to ski Sun Valley. Now, I'm happy to report that two of these trips have been with our Bogus Basin Ski Club! In addition to the social benefits of group travel, I appreciate that getaways with BBSC make it even more affordable for members to ski Idaho's own world-famous Sun Valley Ski Resort.

This year in my micro-group we were three parties sharing a condo. I felt comfortable sharing space; we sat dispersed while visiting, took turns in the kitchen, were extra careful with utensils and any shared food. Speaking of food, I was very excited to realize that our roomie, Steve Strickland is a real foodie and already had big plans for huge manly feasts. On our first night we had what I would affectionately call a man-casserole, and what he calls Chicken Enchilada Pie. It was so amazing, massive and delicious, and it lasted for two more meals for everyone in our condo!



Steve & his Chicken Enchilada Pie.



Kim & Zac on a festive path to the heated pool.

instantly off our shoulders and backs, experiencing basic sensations of life simultaneously. It was amazing!

Heated pool at Sun Valley Lodge.



Riding the gondola up River Run!

Rise and shine and get in line! I had the pleasure of riding the gondola up with someone who hadn't yet skied at or been in a Sun Valley gondola before! (I won't divulge his name but his initials are Steve Strickland.) Seeing his child-like excitement was a perfect reminder of just how grateful I am for this mid-pandemic ski season: every ski day is a blessing during COVID-19. Ah, yes, and the skiing! There was something for

everyone. I picked runs that were fast and fun, and I enjoyed skiing top to bottom knowing a different burn than I get at our home hill, Bogus Basin. Each day we came across others from our club and chatted across tables while maintaining our social distancing or skied a run or two together before disbanding back into our smaller groups once more. After a mostly cloudy initial ski day, our second day on Baldy offered those world class views as far as one could see. Seriously, aren't these mountain vistas part of why we all love this sport?



As far as the eye can see! Join us next year!

A final evening in the steamy hot pools topped off this year's trip. Sure, we had to keep it small due to COVID which is not easy for a social group like ours! However, with so few opportunities to meet up during this pandemic, this was one I'm glad I didn't miss. Put this annual trip on your calendar to join the fun next year!



Great mountain view.



The lucky winners of the BBSC Raffle Drawing held Saturday, January 9, 2021, at Sun Valley include:

- Chris Drake** - Bogus Basin Season Pass (\$499 value)
- Marcie Kowalczyk** - Schweitzer Ski Trip Package with 3 nights lodging at Hotel Ruby plus \$30 food coupon and 2 days skiing for two at Schweitzer (\$650 value)
- J. D. Twichell** - Club Med Trip with 7 nights for two at 1 of 3 resorts (\$2,500-3,000 value)

BBSC Raffle Drawing in the Cottonwood Condo parking lot.

Bob Greenwood's Athletic Scholarships Benefit Junior Snowsports Competitors

by Barbara Bryant

The Bob Greenwood Athletic Scholarship was initiated in 2018 to support deserving junior snow sports competitors. In 2018, 2019 and 2020 Bogus Basin Ski club secured ski trips, then donated these trips to McCall Winter Sports Club and Bogus Basin Ski Education Foundation to sell at their Silent Auctions for scholarship funds.

2020 brought challenges to BBSC's program. Securing donations to ski areas was difficult because COVID-19 meant resorts closed early and many suffered from budget restraints. However, Schweitzer donated two days of lift tickets for two, and Hotel Ruby in Sand Point donated three nights lodging along with a dinner certificate. Because of social distancing, the club marketed the Schweitzer trip via an on-line raffle, raising \$549 to benefit youth snow sports competitors at Bogus Basin.



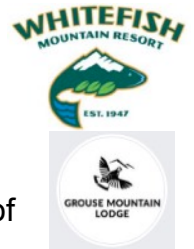
BBSC's additional fund-raising for the scholarship included an on-line silent auction for two of three days skiing at Sun Valley for two adults. Members also donated funds to the scholarship when they registered for their 2021 club membership. Those member donations, as well as the lift tickets, brought in an additional \$830 for Bogus Basin youth competitors.



In 2020 BBSC also procured a Utah Trip Package consisting of two days skiing at Powder Mountain and three nights lodging at the Hilton Garden Inn in Ogden, Utah. The \$700 donation benefited two young snow sports competitors with scholarships from McCall Winter Sports Club's on-line Silent Auction of the Utah trip.



In 2019 BBSC secured two ski trips so BBSC was able to donate to the Bogus Basin Ski Education Foundation and the McCall Winter Sports once again. BBSEF's on-line auction of a ski trip for two to Utah, which brought in \$1,875 that benefited two junior competitors at Bogus Basin. The McCall Winter Sports Club's silent auction sold a trip to Whitefish Ski Resort bringing in \$1,700 for two of their junior competitors.



In 2018 the McCall Wintersports Club successfully auctioned off a donation from BBSC at their Snow Ball in December 2018. BBSC's auction item consisted of a ski trip for two to Utah and included lodging at the Hotel Bigelow, skiing at Snowbird, Snowbasin, Powder Mt. and a dinner. The funds were used to support an Athletic Scholarship for two worthy youth racers. The package brought in \$1,700 the Athletic Scholarship in recognition of Bob Greenwood's life long contribution to skiing and racing.



Editor's Note: Barbara Bryant from BBSC board of directors has been instrumental in soliciting all these donations from the above sponsors, which in turn were given to McCall Winter Sports Club and Bogus Basin Ski Education Foundation for them to auction in their fundraising events to create the cash awards for the scholarship recipients.

Recipients of the BBSC Bob Greenwood Athletic Scholarship have included deserving junior snow sports competitors from McCall Winter Sports Club and Bogus Basin Ski Education Foundation.



**2018 - Leslie Josie (U12 Alpine Ski Racer)
Aiden McLean (Big Mountain Pro Track Skier)**

**2018 - BBSEF did not participate in
the BBSC Athletic Scholarship.**

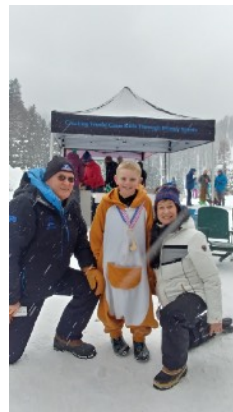
L to R: Barbara Bryant, Leslie Josie, & Bob Greenwood. (Aiden McLean was not present when the scholarships were awarded.)



**2019 - Bode Lamm (U10 Alpine Ski Racer)
Kellen Crawford (U18 Pro Track Skier)**

**2019 - Aubrey O. (North Series Team)
Hayden F. (Big Mountain Team)**

Donn & Barbara Bryant presenting Bode Lamm his scholarship at McCall Hometown Races.



BBSEF Scholarship Recipients - Left: Hayden F. of Big Mountain Team; Right: Aubrey O. of North Series Team

Kellen Crawford, U18 Pro Track Skier, receiving a first place award at McCall.



**2020 - Awaiting announcement of recipients
from McCall Winter Sports Club.**

**2020 - BBSEF did not participate in
the BBSC Athletic Scholarship.**

Our Routines Have Changed This Season

by *Michael Bouton*

I would like to start off by commending Bogus Basin management for the great job of making this an unexpectedly good season. With all the Central District Health protocols and requirements we all have made some changes to our ski day routines. If one does not know the best way to change into your boots in the parking lot by now, you haven't been there. I've observed everything from hopping on one foot to a guy with a unique seat that fits over the tire of his truck. Some of the Primetimers bring their lawn chairs to make it easier to boot-up but taking the boots off is another procedure. I like the blanket idea so I don't get my socks wet.

In seasons past, the lodge is the desired place to boot-up and then leave your bag until the end of the day where one can find their Advil. Of course when the boots come off, the beer goes down. I think we are all looking forward to those ski days again when we can meet our friends in the lodge and find out how their day was. I, for one, am missing this ritual of the social side of skiing. If we were meant to gather in the parking lots, somebody needs to bring the beer and popcorn every day.

The real message I want to convey, we've all done a terrific job of meeting the COVID-19 requirements and helping to keep Bogus Basin open so we all can enjoy this winter sport we love. Next season I'd like to see the club sponsor a couple of trips to the Mahogany Ridge for an after ski day meeting. This would be a winner.



Michael Bouton, Dave Bergerude, and Paul Markowitz walking back to the Silver Queen Parking Lot after a day of skiing. BTW- the guy over to the far right is putting his boots on a totally different way.