



## Calendar

### **Hollywood sign day hike**

Join your fellow Arribans for a moderate day hike to the Hollywood sign on August 20. Plan on an early morning start to beat the heat. Details will be announced later in the eVite.

### **Hollywood Bowl Night**

The date is Saturday July 29 for Mama Mia. Tickets are \$40. The picnic will start at 6:00 pm with food provided by the club. The concert will start at 8:00 pm. Contact our Social Chair, Rhonda to reserve your place.

### **Palm Springs Gay Pride**

Once again we will be staying in Deep Wells Estates for Palm Springs Pride, Thursday, November 2 to Sunday, November 5. Check your inbox, the details have already been sent out.

# Summer season begins

From the desk of Kelly Sueoka, President

I hope you are all enjoying your summer. This newsletter is a look back to last years' ski season and all the fun we had with each other. It really was a spectacular year of snow and wonderful experiences in them. Take a quick look back down memory lane...

While the ski season is over, we haven't stopped having fun at social events during the summer and planning for next years' ski season. A large group of 20 Arribans already had a great time in Yosemite, experiencing the tremendous waterfalls and beautiful scenery with even a few of us climbing to the top of Half Dome. We also had our annual beach party at Ginger Rogers with a bunch of Arribans enjoying a day in the sun. To finish off the summer, we will spend an evening at the Hollywood Bowl and do a morning day hike in the local mountains. And finally, we will return to Palm Springs in for Pride in Early November. Keep a look out for an e-mail or eVite outlining the details of these upcoming events.

We are also busy planning the upcoming ski season. We appreciate all the feedback we received in our annual survey and we are implementing changes based on your feedback that we think you will appreciate. First, we are keeping a busy schedule of social activities so that you can keep in touch with all your Arriba friends. Second, for our drive-up trip to Mammoth, we plan on staying in a ski-in, ski-out house. And finally, we are travelling to the places you want to go including going back to Aspen for Gay Ski Week, going to Chile and Columbia for our International trip, and going to Jackson Hole for our North America trip. It is a lot to look forward to and I hope you are as excited about the upcoming year as I am.

See you at the summer activities (or on the slopes?).

## Mammoth to stay open into August

The ski season ain't necessarily over. Mammoth still has so much snow after a near record-breaking winter that it will be open into August, the ski resort announced.

In May the resort announced that it had the "best conditions in the country" and will continue to operate daily. Mammoth Mountain had previously said it would close after a final day of operations July 4.

As of May 26, Mammoth had a base depth of 120 inches at Main Lodge and 270 inches remaining at the 11,053-foot summit.

The resort received a total of 616 inches of snow over the 2016-17 season, most recently getting 1 to 2 more inches in mid-May. The resort's record season – 668 inches in 2010-2011 – were followed by five years of drought.

"Even our biggest season on record ... did not produce the kind of conditions and coverage we're seeing right now," the resort said in a news release.

This past winter's snowpack in the Sierra Nevada exceeded that of the combined total from the previous four years, according to NASA data.

This season at Mammoth Mountain will be one of longest in its history, the resort said on Facebook. A handful of lifts will remain in operation from 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Because so much snow remains on the mountain, the mountain bike park that is normally open in summer will have limited operations.

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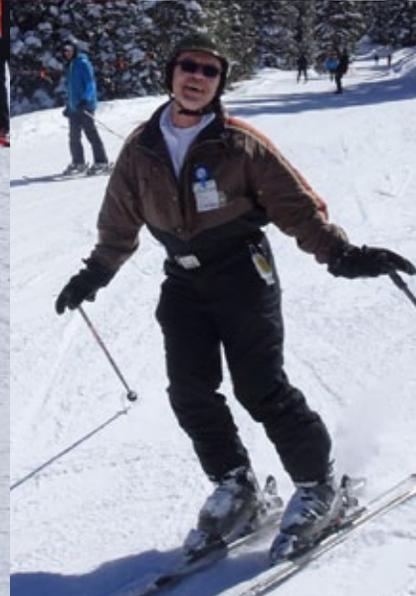




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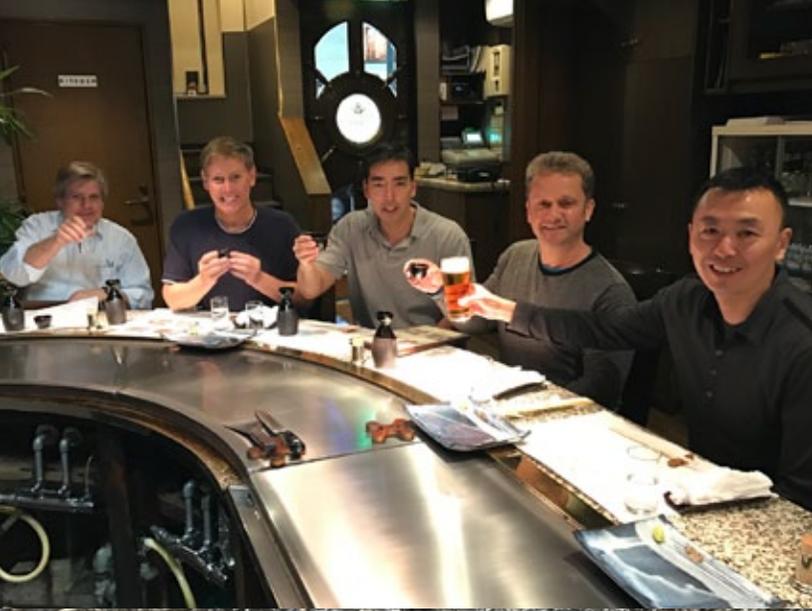






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