

Winter 2008-2009



*Bonus Prize For New Sierra
Ski Chase Participants!*



*Join us on the trails
this winter for another
season of fun and
friendly competition!*

About Far West Nordic

Far West Nordic Ski Education Association is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization whose mission is to promote the sport of cross country skiing and facilitate competitive XC skiing for juniors (under age 20), seniors (ages 20-29) and masters (age 30 and up). Far West Nordic is particularly active with juniors, bringing coaching and a variety of training programs to our younger generations. By joining Far West, you'll be helping kids stay healthy and active, and you'll be supporting cross country ski athletes of all ages and levels of ability.

Far West Nordic Membership Benefits

In addition to being eligible for the Sierra Ski Chase, membership in Far West Nordic entitles you to trail pass discounts at many of our area's cross-country ski centers (all you need is your membership card and a sincere thank you). You also get several newsletters a year, including our Annual Newsletter. Your Far West membership also makes you eligible to attend our many clinics, camps, and trips for both junior and masters skiers. For a complete list of membership benefits, please see our web site.

www.farwestnordic.org

2008/2009 SIERRA SKI CHASE ENROLLMENT AND FAR WEST NORDIC MEMBERSHIP FORM

Individ/Primary Member:	FIRST NAME _____	LAST NAME _____	BIRTH DATE (MM/DD/YY) _____
Addn'l Adult Member:	FIRST NAME _____	LAST NAME _____	BIRTH DATE (MM/DD/YY) _____
Jr. Members (under 20):	FIRST NAME _____	LAST NAME _____	BIRTH DATE (MM/DD/YY) _____
	FIRST NAME _____	LAST NAME _____	BIRTH DATE (MM/DD/YY) _____
	FIRST NAME _____	LAST NAME _____	BIRTH DATE (MM/DD/YY) _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

E-mail: _____ PHONE: _____

Make checks payable to FWNSEA, or charge to VISA/MC:

Credit Card Number (no debit cards): _____

Total: \$ _____ Exp. Date: _____ Name on Card: _____

Mailing address (if different from above): _____

MEMBERSHIP FEES: Individual adult membership \$20	<input type="checkbox"/>
Family membership: \$35	<input type="checkbox"/>
Single junior membership : \$10	<input type="checkbox"/>

Far West occasionally provides our mailing list to ski industry organizations. If you do NOT want your name included on this list, please check here.

MAIL TO: FWNSEA, P.O. Box 10046, Truckee, CA 96162

What is The Sierra Ski Chase?

The Sierra Ski Chase is open to cross-country skiers of all abilities. The purpose of the Ski Chase is to attract greater participation in XC ski race events, which currently draw a wide range of skiers, from top-level athletes to recreational skiers who complete courses at their own pace. Whether you want to race, push yourself a bit, or take on a Ski Chase event as a “tour” is up to you! All participants who complete the Sierra Ski Chase will get a prize commemorating your achievement – you’ll also be eligible for raffle prizes provided by our sponsors. **Bonus prize for new participants: if you’re a new Sierra Ski Chase member this year, you’ll get a bonus prize (a previous year’s Ski Chase prize) after completing only 3 qualifying races* , and you will also qualify for Ski Chase raffle prizes.**

*while supplies last

Participant Comments

“I’m really inspired by the masters skiers – participating in the Ski Chase has brought me many new friends and skiing partners”.

“Entering races is a great way to experience several XC areas and discover new scenery without paying a separate trail pass”.

“Post-race festivities are a lot of fun – and you don’t have to be fast to win a race raffle prize”.

“The Ski Chase has helped me push myself as a skier — my skiing has really improved and I enjoy the sport much more now.”

How Does it Work?

All participants who complete at least 5 eligible events will receive this year’s Ski Chase commemorative prize. In addition, all individuals completing the minimum number of Ski Chase races are eligible for raffle prizes donated by our sponsors. Awards will also be given for top Ski Chase participation — points are awarded on an age-handicapped system. See the Far West website for specifics on the Ski Chase point system and to follow your Ski Chase progress. **Sierra Ski Chase prizes will be awarded at the Gold Rush party at Royal Gorge on March 22, 2009.**

How Do I Sign Up?

The Sierra Ski Chase is organized by Far West Nordic Ski Education Association. **The Sierra Ski Chase is FREE to members of Far West Nordic.** All Far West members ages 20 and over are eligible to participate in the Sierra Ski Chase. Annual membership in Far West Nordic is \$10 for Juniors, \$20 for Individuals, and \$35 for Families. For complete membership information see <http://www.farwestnordic.org> and sign-up online, or mail in the attached application form. If you’re already a Far West Nordic member, you can sign up for the Sierra Ski Chase by mailing in the attached enrollment form.

Sierra Ski Chase Sponsors

The Sierra Ski Chase is made possible through the support of our generous sponsors who provide our raffle prizes and help promote the sport of cross-country skiing. Please thank them for their support of the Sierra Ski Chase and remember to patronize these organizations.



Ski Chase Events for 2008-09

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| Dec 7 | Kirkwood 10K, Kirkwood XC |
| Dec 21 | Paco’s Fun Race 10K, Auburn Ski Club |
| Dec 28 | Snowshoe Thompson 10K, Auburn Ski Club |
| Jan 4 | Sierra Nordic Duathlon, Auburn Ski Club |
| Jan 11 | Lakes Basin 15K, Tamarack XC |
| Jan 19 | Sierra Skogsloppet 15K, Tahoe Donner XC |
| Jan 25 | Tahoe Rim Race 30K, Tahoe XC to Northstar |
| Feb 1 | Alpenglow 20K Freestyle, Tahoe XC |
| Feb 8 | Allan Bard Classic 20K, Tamarack XC |
| Feb 16 | Presidents’ Cup 15K, Tahoe Donner XC |
| Feb 22 | Nordic Holiday Classic, Yosemite |
| Mar 1 | The Great Ski Race, Tahoe XC to Truckee |
| Mar 22 | Gold/Silver/Bronze Rush, Royal Gorge |