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Holiday Party at Winter Garden aGlow

by Kimberly DeWit (Photos by Steve Strickland)

This year our Winter Holiday Party was at the Idaho Botanical Gardens' Winter Garden Aglow! Over 70 guests attended this year! Guests filled the private heated tent with conversation, laughter, and friendly banter as Ted Hogander played his personal style of assorted tunes with a classic rock sound.

Many attendees commented that the food was delicious! An array of delicious appetizers — from petite salmon bites to braised pork sliders to mini-chocolate mousse cups — provided by [Open Table Catering](#) made for a unique variety which everyone could enjoy.



Welcome sign outside heated tent.

Ted Hogander providing entertainment.

Club members with their delicious appetizers.



Popular **BBS**C raffle ticket sales.

Winners of the **BBSC** raffle ticket sales were: Phil Anderson — Bogus Basin Season Pass, Lou Burke — Club Med Vacation for two, and Tim Day — Brian Head Ski Resort Ski Trip for two.



The weather was conducive to meandering around the gardens oohing and aahing at the amazing light displays while the smell of wood-burning fires invited visitors to warm their hands there. Participants had a wonderful time. If you missed it this year, put it on your calendar for 2020!

Artful photographs by our club photographer.



*Phil Anderson, winner of the Bogus Basin Season Ski Pass.
(Lou Burke and Brian Head did not submit requested photos.)*



Warren Miller Film Festival & Premiere Party

by Kim Hovren (Photos by Steve Strickland)



Year after year, ski and snowboard enthusiasts of all ages look forward to the coming of winter. The 70th full-length feature film, *Timeless* confirms that the joys of winter are eternal. The **Bogus Basin Ski Club** presented the film at the Egyptian Theatre, Boise, on November 21-23, 2019.

Egyptian Theatre Marquee advertising Timeless.

“It’s incredible, looking at the fact that this is number 70,” says narrator Jonny Moseley. “Every year I still get that same feeling I got when I was a kid watching ski movies. I enjoy watching them now more than ever, and that is what *Timeless* celebrates.”

To produce this 3-day and 4-show event, over 65 volunteers donated more than 630 hours of their time, assisting in promotions and connecting with the community. The committee, consisting of Larry Crockett, John Greenwood, Kim Hovren, John Adams, Kas Henry, Lynda Clark, and other **BBSC** board of directors, began in June and engaged marketing efforts by September with club events, local business and media. Over 2,000 promotional fliers were handed out, 100 posters were distributed and over 2,600 movie goers were assisted, resulting in a 3.5% increase in ticket sales over the previous year.



C of I Yotes Ski Team featured at the Premiere Party.



The Warren Miller Film Festival and Premiere Party is a “friend-fun-fundraiser” with ticket sale proceeds benefiting five non-profit Bogus Basin user groups: **BBSC**, the Bogus Basin Ski Education Foundation (BBSEF), Bogus Basin Ski Patrol, Boise Adaptive Snowsport Education (BASE) — an adaptive ski program at Bogus Basin for children and adults with physical and/or developmental disabilities, and C of I Yotes Ski Team.

Egyptian Theatre lobby before & at intermission.

Excluding **BBSC**, a donation to these organizations resulted in about \$4,500 for essential programs and education. In addition the Premiere Party raised \$1,200 for the C of I Yotes Ski Team.

Newly added this year was a special 'Saturday Matinee' 4:30pm movie ticket for the Bogus Basin School Race Program (BBSRP) students and advisers, with an introduction on stage by coordinator John Foley.

A special note of appreciation goes out to Natalie Hurst, our MC, from Channel 2 KBOI, and to Nate Shelman from KBOI 670AM. Such an event as this would not be possible without the support of our event sponsors: Beside Bardenay, UPS Print (Brent Hobbs from the State Street Boise store), Holesinsky Vineyard and Winery (Caitlin Holesinsky), Race Werks, St. Luke's Sports Medicine (Dr. Kurt Nilsson), Greenwood's Ski Haus, Brundage Mountain Resort, McU Sports, Foot Dynamics, Bogus Basin Recreation Area, ECO Lounge, Boise Adaptive Snowsport Education, Bogus Basin Ski Patrol, Bogus Basin Ski Education Foundation, Payette Brewing, Glory Days Ski Museum and College of Idaho Alumni Association.

THANK YOU!

2019 Warren Miller Film Festival & Premiere Party Event Partners & Sponsors



BBSC Awards Athletic Scholarships to Two Ski Clubs

by Barbara Bryant (Photo by Barbara Bryant)



McCall Winter Sports Club

Last year was the inaugural awarding of the **BBSC** Bob Greenwood Ski Scholarship. **BBSC** donated a Utah ski package (lodging and lift tickets for two) to the McCall Winter Sports Club who in turn successfully auctioned off this donation at their Snow Ball on December 8, 2018. The auctioned package brought in \$1,700 that was used for the Athletic Scholarship for two worthy youth racers in recognition of Bob Greenwood's lifelong contribution to skiing and racing. Aiden McLean, who was awarded this scholarship as a Big Mountain Pro Track Skier last year, is competing on the ski racing circuits in Europe this year.

For this year the McCall Winter Sports Club successfully auctioned off another trip package donation from **BBSC** at their Snow Ball on December 7, 2019. The donated auction item consisted of a ski trip for two to Whitefish, Montana that included two nights' lodging for two at The Lodge at Whitefish Lake and lift tickets for two to ski Whitefish Mountain Resort for two days. The funds are being used to support a Bob Greenwood Athletic Scholarship to two worthy youth racers. This package brought in \$1,600 towards the scholarship, and the two recipients are Bode Lamm, a U10 Alpine Ski Racer from McCall and Kellen Crawford, a U18 Pro Track Skier from Lewiston.

On January 4, 2020, **BBSC** President, Lynda Clark, along with club members Barbara and Donn Bryant and Liza Autina, attended the Hometown Races and scholarship ceremony.

A second ski trip package consisting of two nights' lodging for two at the Firebrand Hotel in Whitefish, Montana, was also donated by **BBSC** to McCall Winter Sports Club and will be auctioned off in March to benefit additional youth ski athletes.

Recognition should be extended to Chris Costa who facilitated communications between Bogus Basin Ski Club and McCall Winter Sports Club.

Bode, a 9 year old U10 racer and one of the scholarship recipients, is shown here with Donn & Barbara wearing a bear costume for his "Fun Race" at the Brundage Hometown Races.



Bogus Basin Ski Education Foundation

For the first time this year **BBSC's** Bob Greenwood Athletic Scholarship will be awarded to two yet unnamed Bogus Basin junior race competitors. The scholarship was funded by an online auction of a trip to Utah donated by **BBSC** and brought in \$1,375 for the junior racers. The trip package consists of four nights lodging for two people at the Zermatt Resort & Spa in Midway coupled with one day each of skiing at Deer Valley, Solitude, and Brighton. **BBSC** is also contributing an additional \$500 to the Bob Greenwood Scholarship for the junior racers.

Barbara Bryant, **BBSC** Membership Chair, obtained all the auction items listed above for **BBSC**.

Thank you to our sponsors whose generous donations made these scholarships possible.



Whitefish Mountain Resort and The Lodge at Whitefish Lake, Montana, donated lodging and lift tickets for two. This package was donated to the McCall Winter Sports Club and the auction proceeds supported the two worthy youth skiers above.



THE FIREBRAND
WHITEFISH · MONTANA

The Firebrand Hotel in Whitefish, Montana, donated two night's lodging for two that was donated to McCall Winter Sports Club and will be auctioned in March to benefit additional youth ski athletes.

Zermatt Resort & Spa in Midvale, Utah, donated lodging for two people of 4 nights coupled with a one day lift ticket for two from each of these local area ski resorts: Deer Valley, Solitude and Brighton. This combined package was donated to the BBSEF and auctioned. The proceeds will be awarded to two junior ski racers later this year.



Solitude
MOUNTAIN RESORT



(More to follow on the next page.)

BBSC Helps Out at Bogus Basin 4th Annual New Year's Celebration

by Lynda Clark (Photos by Henry Gonzales and Craig Olsen)

Bogus Basin Ski Club volunteered at the Bogus Basin 4th Annual New Year's Day Fireworks Show, presented by Idaho Power on Wednesday, January 1, 2020, at Bogus Basin Mountain Recreation Area – J.R. Simplot Lodge Base Area. The club volunteers manned a table from 9:00am - 4:00pm for the Ski 360 Game/Prizes. The game - BBMRA posted words around the mountain that make up a sentence. Skiers had to ski around the mountain to find the words, write the sentence on the card, and then come back to claim their prize, a gray buff/neck gator. Susan and Cissy from Bogus Basin Mountain Recreation Area were around all day and were there to meet Guy and Jacquie at 9am to get the game started. What a great time we had interacting with all the skiers on the mountain!!

Here are all the people that volunteered — give them a big thank you when you see them!

9am - 10am — Guy and Jacquie Ausmus

10am - 11am — Paul Markowitz and Danita Rodriguez

11am - 12pm — Henry Gonzalez and Michael Bouton

12pm - 1pm — Cliff Sell and Michael Bouton

1pm - 2pm — Barbara and Donn Bryant and Joanne Burgio

2pm - 3pm — Lynda Clark, Betty Hawkins, and Joe Higgins

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At 5:30, while party goers were enjoying free hot chocolate and cookies in the base area, Bogus Basin Ski Club president, Lynda Clark, (on right) presents a \$1,272 check to Susan Saad of Bogus Basin Mountain Recreation Area to support skiing opportunities for community area school kids. What a great way to give back!



BBSC President, Lynda Clark, (right) presenting check to Bogus Basin Director of Community Relations, Susan Saad, (left).



The evening concluded with a torch light parade and fireworks. Despite being a foggy night, it was a great deal of fun for all involved.

Fireworks shot off from the hill behind Chair 2.



Torch Light parade down the Ridge.

History of the BBSC Crab Crack

by Fred Uranga



Dungeness Crab

The first crab crack party is unknown. However, the second and the third Crab Crack parties were held at the home of Betsy & Bob Gundsundson. At that time, their home was on the bench over looking what would become the site for the Borah High School. The years were March 1982 and 1983. The fresh crab was purchased on the Oregon coast by former club members who had left Idaho and now lived along the coast. The crab was purchased directly from the fishermen's co-op, flown into Boise and cleaned by the club members in the kitchen sink at the Gundsundson's home. Betsy said she welcomed the club party since that was one of the few times their home was cleaned by professionals as she was so busy raising three kids.

The event was moved to the Boise Police Association club house located in the foot hills. The club house did not have a kitchen, so the crab and food preparation was done at members' homes. There wasn't room for a band, so a tape recorder made due. Space for dancing was also limited. The last Crab Crack held by **BBSC** at this venue was in 2002.

The Gowen Field site-bldg. 710 was built during WWII and used as the Officer's Club (GFOC). The interior has been modified including renovating the kitchen, rest rooms, full service bar and a great wooden dance floor.

Our club minutes show 180 members and guests attending the 1990 event with 189 attending the 2000 event. It took 33 volunteers two days to prepare the food, set up and tear down the chairs and tables, and clean our club equipment.

With major renovations of the building and equipment all the fuss is now left to the staff.

The 2020 **BBSC** Crab Crack will be at the Morale-Welfare & Recreation Center (formerly the Gowen Field Officer's Club) on February 1, 2020.



MWR Center at Gowen Field

Avalanche Prevention at Bogus Basin

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*3 Killed, 5 Injured in
Avalanche at Idaho Ski
Resort January 7, 2020.
(NPR News Report)*

With the recent deadly avalanche at Silver Mountain on the minds of many, some question the possibility of an avalanche at Bogus Basin. The risk for avalanches at Bogus Basin isn't as high as it is for some other ski resorts, but the ski resort conducts bi-weekly safety drills just in case. "We're always

watching the weather and that's what brings in the potential for avalanches," according to Bogus Basin's Director of Ski Patrol and Risk Management, John Postlewaite.

Postlewaite says mitigation protocols go into place if the resort gets anywhere from 10 to 12 inches of snow in a 12-hour period. From there Bogus Basin will study where the storm and wind came in, and before the slopes open, teams of at least three people will run the route. Bogus does not use explosives; they use what is called ski cutting. That's where at least two folks, all wearing avalanche equipment, test the slopes. One person will monitor while another ski cuts down at an angle and tries to get that ski slope to slide. Bogus Basin also has hasty teams set up in case something happens and they need to send a team to do a rescue.

"With avalanches there's a lot of dynamic going on in the snowpack, and it's hard to visually see what the problem is. So that's why we're always poking around checking to see what's in the snow layers. In addition to ski cutting, we dig pits and work to mitigate risks for the public so they can come up here and feel comfortable knowing that we have protected the resort," Postlewaite said.

Bogus Basin has partnered with the Sawtooth Avalanche Center to hold an avalanche safety and awareness course in Boise [on January 30 at 6 p.m.](#)