



# Granite Chief Far West Masters Ski Racing Series

## Squaw Valley Bernard Cup GS Races Mar. 20-21, 2010

The 2010 Bernard Cup GS races at Squaw Valley will once again offer a weekend of challenging GS racing on Exhibition. This year we're trying an experiment in scheduling: 3 races in 2 days, 3 runs per day! We're giving this arrangement a try as a way of maximizing the racing for our many travelling competitors coming from Mammoth, southern California, and the Bay area.

On Saturday, we'll have 2 runs of the first GS race, followed by the first run of GS race #2. Pausing at the end of the day for a post-race party to socialize and strategize, the second race will be completed with a second run on Sunday morning. And in case you're not worn out yet, we'll finish the weekend with another 2 runs on Sunday to wind up with GS #3.

The Bernard Cup trophy, awarded to the fastest man and women overall using on an age-handicapped total time scoring formula, will be based on the results of all 3 races.

<b>Race Location &amp; Dates</b>	Exhibition March 20 & 21, 2010
<b>Eligibility</b>	All Masters, must be a member of USSA (and Far West Masters)
<b>Entry Fee</b>	\$25.00 per race (3 RACES: 3 runs Saturday, 3 runs Sunday)
<b>Lift Tickets</b>	\$49.00
<b>Registration</b>	7:30 – 8:30 AM, ground floor of the Olympic House.
<b>Schedule</b>	10:00 AM Start

A little history: Bob Bernard was a great supporter of Masters racing (sometimes known as "the father of masters racing" for the key role he played in the 1980's and 90's in the growth of masters ski competition). Recognizing that even the best 60 and 70 year olds weren't likely to beat 40 year olds head-on, Bob came up with an age handicapping system to level the competition by giving more advantage to the older racers. So the overall weekend [Bernard Cup trophy](#) is awarded to the fastest man and woman overall for the weekend, based on age-handicapped adjusted time.

### Helmets are required for all disciplines in 2010!

*Please keep in mind that weather and/or snow conditions may cause a change in the schedule. It's always a good idea to check with the race organizer or look for news updates on the Far West Masters web site at <http://farwestmasters.org> prior to attending a competition.*