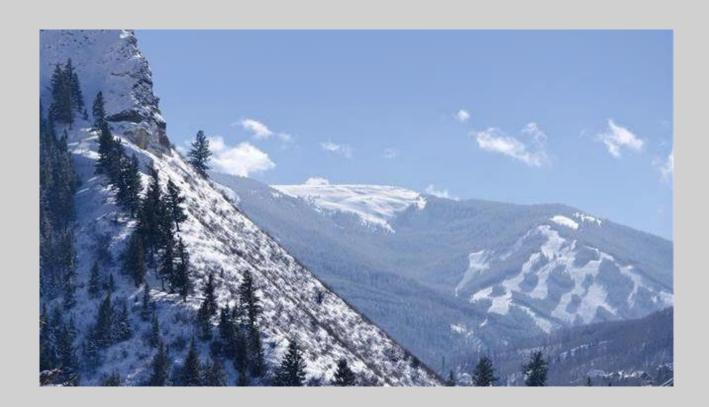


### Winter News from The Vail **Valley**



### Keep up with The Christie Lodge! Join us on social media.

Like us and share your vacation memories!







### **Annual Owners Meeting**



The Christie Lodge management team would like to thank everyone that attended the 2024 Annual Owners Meeting in San Antonio, Texas. Mr. Richard Wessel and Mr. Todd Langer were elected to the Board of Directors. A Bylaw change that states that board members must sit out for 1 year after serving 2 terms instead of 3 years was approved.

Lisa Siegert-Free, Managing Director and General Manager, welcomed and thanked the owners for attending the meeting and introduced the staff in attendance. In Lisa's presentation she discussed the value of post stay surveys and on-line reviews. She shared the timeshare industry outlook and trends from the ARDA (American Resort Development Association) Economic Impact Report, as well as statistics about the Christie Lodge and our NPS (Net Promoter Score). We take great pride in continually scoring above the National average for hotels. Lisa Siegert-Free explained that the Christie Lodge maintenance fees are below the industry average, making us a very attractive timeshare to own with high exchange values. In addition, Ms. Siegert-Free discussed Christie Lodge's community involvement, helpful community websites, and noteworthy local news.

Rick Dameron, Executive Director of Operations, explained how the maintenance fees are distributed and where the money goes. He discussed current and future projects like the new electric fireplaces in all the units, a greener initiative, and the upcoming replacement of doors and locks. Rick also expressed the importance of booking early, the value of bonus nights and the exchange power.

The next Annual Meeting is projected to be held in Avon, Colorado in October 2025.

# COMMUNITY SERVICE AND PHILANTHROPIES



Every year our staff volunteer their time for the Spring Highway Clean-Up and the Fall Eagle River Clean-Up. In addition, for the past 3 years we have been hosting a food and toy drive benefiting the Vail Valley Salvation Army and this year we are proud to say our employees donated a carload of food and toys for families in need. Another philanthropic passion for Christie Lodge is Roundup River Ranch (RRR), a local camp for kids with life altering illnesses. Christie Lodge was honored to be a sponsor at the 2nd annual Bullseye Event and helped contribute to RRR's goal of raising over \$300,000 for the kids.

#### **Owner News**



The Christie Lodge has once again in 2025, earned the RCI Silver Crown Resort ® designation in recognition of its outstanding resort

**facilities and services**. We are proud of our management and staff for their commitment to delivering great guest experience, which is reflected in a compilation of guest comment cards regarding resort quality, service delivery, and overall vacation experience.

The RCI® Resort Recognition Program is part of our commitment to exceeding vacation expectations of our owners and RCI subscribing members. Meeting the standards set by the program proves that we provide quality vacation experiences and help owners trade options to experience other properties.

Owner Education SCAM INFO: BEWARE/Mexican Cartel Targeting FBI warns of Mexican cartels targeting Americans in timeshare fraud schemes. The schemes entail criminals targeting part-time property owners, often older Americans, and convincing them to hand over large sums of cash under false pretenses related to their timeshare properties. "Scammers will usually conduct extensive research on potential victims, creating fake documents and impersonating individuals from "trustworthy institutions" to sell their storylines and scare victims into compliance," the bureau said. Scammers will use a combination of high-pressure sales tactics and cyber-enabled fraud strategies to convince victims that it is legitimate.

Assistant Special Agent in Charge Paul Roberts said these schemes have "devastating consequences for victims' financial futures, relationships, and physical and emotional health." The proceeds are increasingly going to fund the cartels' violent activity in Mexico. The nefarious activity is attractive to cartels because it's typically cheaper, posing fewer logistical, labor and oversight challenges when compared to other revenue streams like drug and weapons trafficking," Roberts said.

It is always recommended to work directly with your property managers regarding exit options and confirm who you are communicating with by calling the property back directly.



Our green initiative is broadening! We have replaced all our wood burning fireplaces with an electric version. These fireplaces are much easier and cleaner to use. They will provide ambiance and warmth in the winter as well as save time and money with housekeeping. So far, they have been a major success for winter season owners and guests!

#### **Beaver Creek**



Beaver Creek Resort, known for its luxurious amenities and meticulously groomed terrain, offers skiers and snowboarders a vast playground to explore. With 1,832 acres of skiable terrain, three main base areas, and a variety of amenities, it's important to know how to get around efficiently. This guide will provide everything you need to know to navigate Beaver Creek, whether you are a new or seasoned visitor.

#### Overview of Beaver Creek's Base Areas

Beaver Creek Resort features three primary base areas: Beaver Creek Village, Bachelor Gulch, and Arrowhead Village. Each base offers unique services, dining options, and access to different parts of the mountain. Understanding how to navigate between these base areas is key to enjoying all the resort has to offer.

- Beaver Creek Village: The heart of the resort, Beaver Creek Village is where you'll find luxury hotels, dining, shopping, and direct access to the mountain. Key lifts like the Centennial Express (Lift 6) and Haymeadow Express Gondola (Lift 1) provide access to beginner and intermediate terrain. Beaver Creek Village also hosts Ski and Ride School, making it an ideal starting point for families and beginner skiers.
- Bachelor Gulch: Located west of Beaver Creek Village, Bachelor Gulch provides a quieter, more exclusive experience. The Bachelor Gulch Express (Lift 16) serves as the main lift in this area, offering access to blue and green runs. This area is ideal if you're accessing the mountain from The Landing or looking for more advanced terrain.
- Arrowhead Village: The westernmost base area, Arrowhead Village

offers easy access to beginners and intermediate terrain via the **Arrow Bahn Express** (Lift 17). This area is perfect for those seeking a more relaxed atmosphere while still having access to all of Beaver Creek's terrain through connections with Bachelor Gulch and Beaver Creek Village.

### Honey Deer - New Coffee & Pastry Shop



Located in the Christie Lodge lobby, Honey Deer will offer a wide range of freshly made treats, from buttery croissants and savory burritos to expertly brewed coffee, perfect for fueling your adventures. All their products are made from scratch with fresh, premium ingredients, ensuring every bite has a balance of flavor and quality.

### Free Bus Service to Vail/Beaver Creek



The Eagle County Bus, Eco-Transit system, has just gotten better! With a name change to **Core-Transit** more buses and routes have been added. You can now ride the bus for **FREE** anywhere between Eagle and Vail!

# New Flights added to Eagle County Airport

Eagle County Regional Airport is known for its convenience, reducing the need for lengthy drives and navigating snowy passes to reach Eagle County. Last summer, the airport added flights to Chicago and Houston on the weekends. This winter, the airport added Frontier Airlines service from Denver, San Francisco and Dallas. Many owners are taking advantage of these inexpensive flights! Alaska Airlines will run service to Seattle and San Diego three times a week, on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays from December 21 through March 23.









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