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## **Redseason's March 2015 Newsletter**

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#### 1. Manager's Message

Hello and welcome to redseason's March 2015 Newsletter!

I can hardly believe that March is already here....what happened to February, it seemed to zip by so fast!? March is truly the beginning of Spring, not just in a solar or calendar sense, but for us that participate in Daylight Saving Time, it's the month where we gain that extra hour of daylight at the end of each day!! Of course, we pay for it by experiencing an extra hour of darkness in the morning, but if you're like me, it's a small price to pay to enjoy that extra daylight hour in the evening!

Have you ever thought about Daylight Saving Time (DST), beyond how it impacts your daily life...because even though you want to sleep that extra hour of darkness, your children or your pets still continue to get up at their normal time....or kids just don't like now having to go to bed while the sun is still up? :) The thought of Daylight

Saving Time was first considered and presented to various New Zealand or English societies in the late 1800s and early 1900s by avid outdoorsmen who wanted the sun to stay up later so they could continue their golf game or fishing and have the sun rise later so they wouldn't waste sunlight hours with nonproductive things, such as sleeping, etc! During the first World War, many countries on both sides adopted various forms of DST to save on fuel....if people didn't have to turn on their lighting for an hour later into the day, that amounted to a large savings that could instead be used to fuel the war effort. Afterwards, the interest of DST waned until World War II began and it was instituted again as an effort to save energy.

In the early years following WWII, the lack of standardization led to a patchwork where some states/areas observed DST while adjacent areas did not, and it was not unheard of to have to reset a clock several times during a short trip (e.g., bus drivers having to reset their watches seven times over 35 miles)! In the middle 1960s, the airline and other transportation industries lobbied for uniformity of Daylight dates in the United States and it's been happily adding to our joy of summer sunlight hours since that time!

Even if your state doesn't participate in DST, the longer days of Spring and Summer are upon us and it's making us think about the fun of family vacations, seeing new sights, storing up great memories! We, here at redseason, are hoping that you have great fun planned for some of your extra daylight hours! If we can help some of your fun vacation plans come to fruition, don't hesitate to connect with us! Our goal is to make your vacation hopes become a reality!

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Blessings,

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## 2. Featured Memberships of the Month

Here is a list of the memberships that we have available for sale at the moment.

To review the resorts and also check on the credit values guide for each resort go to<u>www.worldmarktheclub.com</u> and click on resort icon. (The credit values guide shows you how many credits it would take to stay at each resort and for each season). You can click on the owner education link to your left and download a copy of the club guidelines/rules as well. This will provide you with quite a bit of

information regarding the club and how it works.

The WorldMark memberships we offer are resale's, owned previously by other owners. All memberships are premier with bonus time privileges, and perpetual ownership. RCI <u>www.rci.com</u> or Interval

International <u>www.intervalworld.com</u> memberships are extra at an additional cost of \$89 or \$79 respectively. Dial an Exchange <u>www.daelive.com</u> is free. \*Travelshare is non-transferrable

## **AVAILABLE MEMBERSHIPS:**

<b>Annual Credits</b>	Anniversary Month	Available Credits	Price	Transfer Fee
7,000	August	5,500	\$3,200.00	\$299.00
20,000	January	16,950	\$8,800.00	\$299.00

**MEMBERSHIPS COMING IN:** (these are not available for re-sale at the moment, but if you are interested in one I can put it on hold for you and let you know as soon as we own it and it's available for sale)

<b>Annual Credits</b>	Anniversary Month	Available Credits	Price	Transfer Fee
5,000	November	6,050	\$2,700.00	\$299.00
6,000	January	12,000	\$3,100.00	\$299.00

Annual maintenance fees:

\$445.65 for a 5,000 credit membership
\$581.12 for a 6,000 or 7,000 credit membership
\$716.59 for an 8,000, 9,000, or 10,000 credit membership
\$852.06 for an 11,000 or 12,000 credit membership
\$987.53 for a 13,000, 14,000, or 15,000 credit membership
\$1,123.00 for a 16,000 or 17,000 credit membership
\$1,258.47 for an 18,000, 19,000, or 20,000 credit membership

All memberships available on a cash sale basis. Credit value charts are available at<u>www.worldmarktheclub.com/resorts</u>. Next click on the map to view the credit values for a particular resort. This will give you a good idea of how many credits it takes to stay a week at the various resorts.

## 3. Did You Know...?

Did you know there are a few things to be aware of when you are purchasing another membership to Combine with your existing membership?

One of the most common questions we are asked is how your anniversary month is impacted when bringing in an additional membership. You almost have to think of it as "just adding more credits to your existing membership," meaning that your anniversary month will stay the same and nothing about your current membership will change except the number of credits! :)

Once the Combine is completed, the "available" credits from the newly added membership are put into your account and are available for immediate use!

Depending on when your anniversary month is, if the Combine is completed BEFORE your anniversary month begins then you will receive all the combined annual credits, otherwise you'd need to wait until your anniversary month rolls around again to receive the additional annual credits.

One last note of importance, once you begin the Combine process, this places your existing membership on "hold" as far as any activity that would require moving credits around, such as making reservations, until the Combine is completed! A Combine takes about 7-8 weeks from beginning to end, so please keep this in mind when timing the purchase of an additional membership. You can still schedule Bonus Time, however, so that's a plus! :)

Please don't hesitate to send us any/all questions you might have regarding this...email us at info@redseason.com!

## 4. Just For Fun Contest

Congratulations to Rodney and Karen S, our February winner of a \$25.00 Amazon Card!

To enter to win our March \$25.00 Amazon card, please e-mail with "St Patty's Day" in the subject line.

## **5. Referral Policy**

We reward you for your referral to <u>redseason.com</u>. We will send you your reward of \$100.00 when you refer your friends and family to us and they purchase a WorldMark membership from <u>redseason.com</u>. Just be sure they mention your name!

## 6. Vacation Highlights - Seaside

In honor of the Irish in my bloodline, I want to share one of my favorite places to spend St. Patty's Day! Last year, my husband and I specifically decided to celebrate St. Patrick's Day at the WorldMark resort in Seaside, OR! If you've never stayed at this resort, you are missing a wonderful experience!

We arrived in Seaside on Sunday, March 16th, in time to stock up on groceries for the frig at the local Safeway (which, by the way, is an amazing market) and get parked (covered parking), unloaded and into our suite before it started getting dark! From our balcony, we were able to enjoy a rare break in the clouds in time to see the sun descending into the ocean! Most of the suites at this resort have great balcony locations that allow you to step out and watch the waves! The resort is literally separated from the beach by only a wide walkway, so all you have to do is step out the doors of the resort to be on the beach or strolling down the walkway, which is called the Promenade and allows you to walk up or down the beach for blocks!

Another cool aspect of this resort is that it is also located right at the end of Seaside's historic Broadway Street! What started in the 1800s as a shell pathway to the beach from uptown Seaside, grew over the years to become the city's main street lined with attractions and shops to entice visitors with food, souvenirs and fun! Broadway Street is lined with plenty of amazing restaurants and shops, all within an easy walking distance of the resort! In fact, we walked just a block or two to Fultano's Pizza for a quick dinner that evening!

On St. Patty's Day itself, we had to stroll Broadway again just to visit all our favorite shops and to grab an espresso before taking our beach blanket down to watch the surf. It was a brisk day, windy but dry, but a hooded jacket was all we needed, besides our beach shoes, to spend a pleasant few hours by the sea! And now for the fun part...by dinner time, we already knew we would be walking down to McKeowns Irish Pub for dinner and to listen to the Irish fiddlers...no better way to spend St. Patty's Day! McKeowns Irish Pub had amazing food, the staff was great, and even though it was a packed house, we were fortunate enough to grab a table near the front and enjoy Humours of Circumstance, an incredible celtic band! We thoroughly enjoyed ourselves that evening, clapping to the lively music, watching the impromptu clog dancing, and wearing our Irish green! If you are looking for somewhere fun to spend St. Patty's day, don't miss a chance to enjoy it at McKeowns Irish Pub and to stay at the resort in Seaside, Oregon!

Thanks for reading!

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## 7. Editorial - Worldmark and "Ovation"

I noticed recently Worldmark has been advertising a new program called Ovation. Although the wording being used so far is very vague, it is basically advertising as a program for Wyndham to buy back certain memberships if they are eligible.

Like most of you know, Wyndham has their own form of memberships and deeded properties that are separate from Worldmark memberships. Wyndham always has had buy back programs called CAP and Limited Edition Program. These two programs would allow owners to deed back points if they were for certain Wyndham properties or if their membership had a few other qualifying factors.

It appears they've simply rebranded both packages into one program called Ovation which will encompass Wyndham AND Worldmark. I'm also assuming they will come out with some information about a program in which certain Worldmark memberships could be bought back. I'm not sure what the qualifying factors would be.

All the information about Ovation is very limited and I'll pass along more as I get it. Like Wyndham's current programs created to help distressed owners, they typically don't have the value that the secondary market has. As long as a distressed owner doesn't owe more than the membership is worth, the secondary market still offers the best value.

That being said, it never hurts to have more legitimate options if an owner is ready to sell. Hopefully whatever options Worldmark creates with Ovation, they will be beneficial.

Sincerely,

~ Matthew Jaeger & the entire redseason team.