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DECODING ENGLAND'S WORLD OF COMPUTATION: *Art, History & Science*

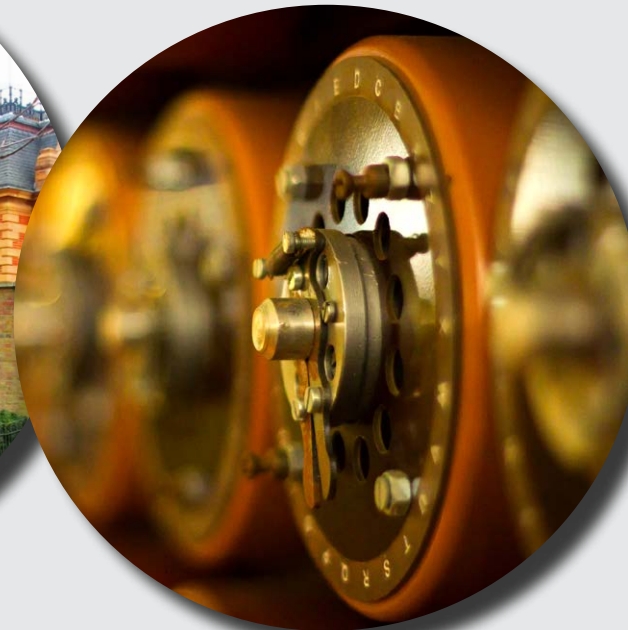
**July 22 - August 4, 2026 [14 days | 20 guests]
with Professor David Liben-Nowell**



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Carleton College Faculty Leader



David Liben-Nowell has been a Carleton faculty member in Computer Science since 2005, after receiving a BA (CS and philosophy) at Cornell, an MPhil at Cambridge, and a PhD at MIT. On campus, he teaches broadly in the CS curriculum, particularly introductory and theoretical computer science. Inspired in part by celebrations of the centenary of Alan Turing's birth (1912), David developed an off-campus studies program on the History of Computing, which ran for the first time in 2019. That program continues – most recently going in Fall 2025 – but this will be the first time that David has gotten to explore England and these topics with a group of Carleton alumni. David is always enthusiastic about returning to England (particularly Cambridge), and he is also always happy to talk about computational social science (his research area), constructing crossword puzzles, or differing usage of the word “quite” on each side of the pond.

Cover photos:

Top: A memorial sculpture of Alan Turing, Manchester.
Bottom, from left: The Silver Swan, an 18th-century automaton at the Bowes Museum; the Royal Observatory, Greenwich; the Turing-Welchman Bombe machine on display at The National Museum of Computing



Lake District

Dear Carleton College alumni,

Whether it's your first time to England, or England is one of your favorite destinations, join us in discovering it through a new lens, with **Carleton Professor of Computer Science David Liben-Nowell**, as you decode the world of computation through art, history, and science.

Our journey begins in **Manchester**, where we spend three nights. First, we explore people and places that influenced the world of computation: the **Alan Turing Memorial**, dedicated to the father of modern computing and a wartime codebreaker; and the **Science and Industry Museum**. Just south of Manchester is the 19th-century **Paradise Mill**, featuring restored jacquard looms that influenced the future development of computing technology.

Venture to the **Lake District**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, where we take a **scenic cruise on Ullswater**, one of England's most beautiful lakes. Next, we journey to Stratford-upon-Avon, stopping along the way at the **Bowes Museum**, a French chateau and home of the Silver Swan, a life-sized, 18th-century, clockwork swan that represents an early form of programmed movement. We also stop at the ruins of **Coventry Cathedral**, which was gutted by bombs during World War II. As we head to Cambridge for four nights, we stop to visit **Bletchley Park**, the principal center of Allied code-breaking during World War II, and the **National Museum of Computing**, home to the world's largest collection of working historic computers.

In **Cambridge** we have the opportunity to take a walking tour led by Professor Liben-Nowell, and view it through a computation lens. Along with visiting the **Centre for Computing History**, **King's College**, and **Trinity College**, we will also enjoy time at leisure, **punt on the River Cam**, and take an **elegant afternoon tea**. We end our adventure with three nights in **London**, where we visit the **Churchill War Rooms**, the secret underground headquarters during World War II; the **Royal Observatory Greenwich**, where we will stand on the Prime Meridian Line; and the **London Science Museum**, home to Alan Turing's pilot computer from the 1950s.

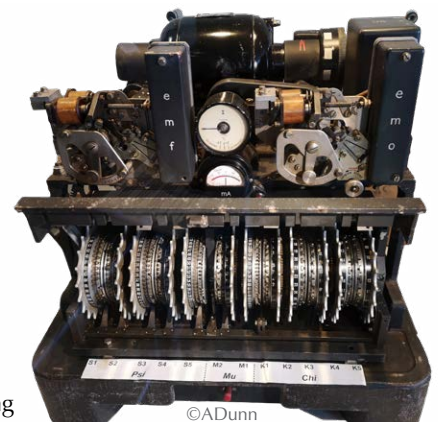
You may think computation is just about numbers and algorithms, but this tour will show you the fascinating ways it has influenced art, history, *and* science; how it aided the Allies during World War II; and, how it has generally helped to shape the modern world. Come join us in discovering how, **as Alan Turing once said, “those who can imagine anything, can create the impossible,”** by reserving your space on **this Carleton-exclusive tour, limited to just 20 guests.**

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Sincerely,

Rebecca Ditsch '93
President, Carleton Alumni Council

Right: The Lorenz SZ42, a rare German cipher machine from World War II, on display at The National Museum of Computing



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Punting on the River Cam with a view of King's College Chapel



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B= Breakfast • L= Lunch • R= Reception • D= Dinner

Wednesday, July 22, 2026: Depart home

Thursday, July 23: Arrive Manchester, England | Transfer to hotel | Welcome reception

Arrive at Manchester Airport (MAN), where you will be met and transferred as a group (time TBD) to our hotel in Manchester. Enjoy the balance of the day at leisure before gathering for a welcome reception. *Three nights at the 4-star [Maldron Hotel Manchester City Centre](#). (R)*

Friday, July 24: Manchester: Walking tour, Science and Industry Museum | Welcome dinner

This morning, our study leader guides us on a walking and panoramic tour of Manchester, viewing the Alan Turing Memorial, dedicated to the father of modern computing and a wartime codebreaker; John Ryland Library, one of Europe's finest examples of neo-Gothic architecture and home to world-class collections of rare books, manuscripts, and archives; Dancehouse Theatre (formerly Regal Theatre), where Alan Turing faced gross injustices after having a fateful encounter that led to his prosecution for gross indecency; and the University of Manchester. After an independent lunch, we visit the Science and Industry Museum, which tells the story of ideas that changed the world from the Industrial Revolution to today. This evening, we gather for a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. (B,D)

Saturday, July 25: Macclesfield: Paradise Mill and the Silk Museum | Liverpool: Panoramic tour, PM at leisure at Albert Dock | Manchester

Take a morning drive to Macclesfield, where we visit Paradise Mill, the heart of the Silk Museum that is located next door, and which we also visit. The mill, built in 1860, is a beautifully preserved working silk mill, with 26 restored jacquard looms. The looms, invented in 1804 by Joseph Marie Jacquard, simplified the way complex tiles were woven, and it influenced the future development of computing technology. Next, we

- # Overnight stays
- Itinerary stops
- ✈ Flights
- ⚓ Cruise

"I believe that at the end of the century the use of words and general educated opinion will have altered so much that one will be able to speak of machines thinking without expecting to be contradicted."

- Alan Turing (1950),
Computing Machinery and Intelligence



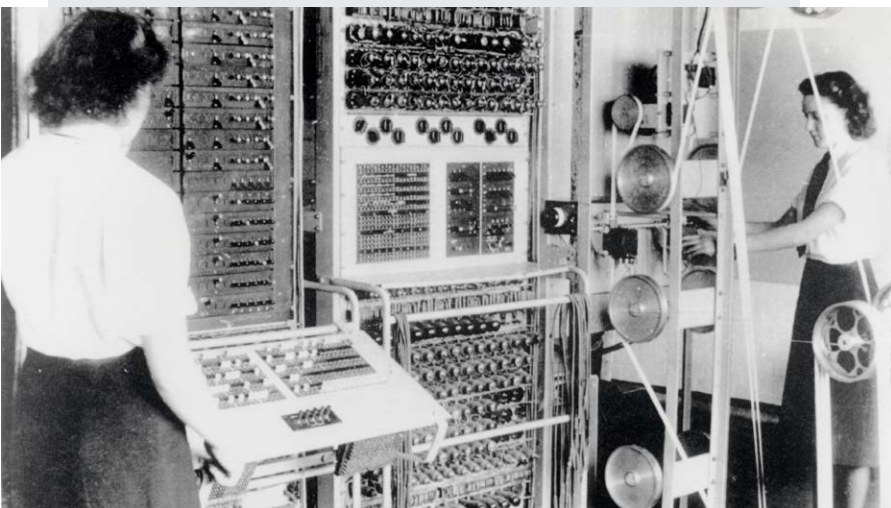


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The Jacquard loom. This concept influenced Charles Babbage's Analytical Engine and, decades later, Alan Turing's code-breaking machines during World War II, showing how mechanical systems could follow encoded instructions to solve complex problems.

"The Analytical Engine weaves algebraic patterns, just as the Jacquard loom weaves flowers and leaves."

- Ada Lovelace, mathematician (1843)



A Colossus Mark 2 computer being operated by Dorothy Du Boisson (left) and Elsie Booker (right), 1943.

drive to Liverpool for an independent lunch and a panoramic tour of the city. Enjoy time at leisure at Albert Dock, home to museums (e.g., The Beatles Story, Tate Liverpool, Maritime Museum, International Slavery Museum), outdoor artwork, and restaurants. We return to Manchester, where the evening and dinner are at leisure. (B)

Sunday, July 26: Lake District: Cruise on Ullswater, Penrith

This morning we depart Manchester for the Lake District, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. After an independent lunch, we take a scenic cruise on Ullswater, one of England's most beautiful lakes, enjoying panoramic views of dramatic mountains and tranquil waters. We continue to Penrith, on the edge of the Lake District, and check-in to our hotel. Gather for dinner this evening. *Overnight at the 4-star [North Lakes Hotel & Spa](#).* (B,D)

Monday, July 27: Barnard Castle: The Bowes Museum | Coventry: Coventry Cathedral | Stratford-upon-Avon

Check out of our hotel this morning to begin our journey to Stratford-upon-Avon. Along the way, we stop to visit The Bowes Museum, a French château with collections of fine and decorative European arts. We take a close look at the Silver Swan, a life-sized clockwork swan created in the 18th century. The swan's automation represents an early form of programmed movement, paving the way for later advancements in computational technology. Next we drive to Coventry, stopping along the way for an independent lunch. Upon arrival in Coventry, we visit the Coventry Cathedral, the preserved ruins of the former Cathedral Church of St. Michael, gutted by incendiary bombs during World War II. We drive onward and arrive at our hotel in Stratford-upon-Avon, and then gather for dinner at the hotel restaurant. *Overnight at the 4-star [Hotel Indigo Stratford upon Avon](#).* (B,D)

Tuesday, July 28: Bletchley: Bletchley Park, The National Museum of Computing | Cambridge

This morning we set out for Cambridge, stopping along the way in Bletchley. Bletchley Park, an English country house and estate, is famous for being the principal center of Allied code-breaking during World War II. Women were the backbone of the operation and accounted for 75% of the workforce. Alan Turing also spent some time at Bletchley Park during the war. After an independent

lunch, and only a short distance away, we visit The National Museum of Computing, home to the world's largest collection of working historic computers. We then drive on to Cambridge and check-in to our hotel. Dinner this evening is on your own. *Four nights at the 4-star [Clayton Hotel Cambridge](#).* (B)

Wednesday, July 29: Cambridge: Walking tour, King's College, Trinity College

We spend today in Cambridge, exploring it by foot and bus, through the slightly different lens of computation in the company of our study leader and a local guide. We tour King's College, the oldest and, eventually, the largest college at the prestigious University of Cambridge, and also where Alan Turing, a Fellow in 1936, introduced the concepts of algorithms and computing machines. Enjoy an independent lunch before touring Trinity

College, a part of Cambridge well-known for mathematical and computational research. The balance of the day and dinner are on your own. (B)

Thursday, July 30: Cambridge: Centre for Computing History, Afternoon tea, PM at leisure

This morning we visit Cambridge's Centre for Computing History, a computer museum that tells the story, in a highly interactive way, of the Information Age through the historical, social, and cultural impacts of developments in personal computing. For lunch, we indulge in afternoon tea at The Orchard Tea Garden, a place to relax in genteel surroundings. The balance of the day and dinner are on your own. (B,L)

Friday, July 31: Cambridge: Punting on the River Cam, PM at leisure, Dinner at a Cambridge University College

We begin the day with punting on the River Cam, a local pastime that was introduced at the start of the 20th century. While relaxing in a traditional Cambridge punt (a long boat with a flat bottom that is propelled forward by a punter, who pushes a pole against the riverbed), take in the beautiful view of the "Backs" of the iconic colleges that make up the University of Cambridge. After a relaxing afternoon on your own, we gather for a private dinner at a Cambridge University College (*pending confirmation*). (B,D)

Saturday, August 1: London: Churchill War Rooms, HMS Belfast

After breakfast, we check out of our hotel and drive to London. Upon arrival, we visit the Churchill War Rooms, one of the five branches of the Imperial War Museum. The War Rooms, the secret underground headquarters set up by the British government during World War II, are a labyrinth of corridors and historic rooms where Winston Churchill and many men and women worked, ate, and slept during the war. After an independent lunch we visit the HMS *Belfast*, another of the five branches of the Imperial War Museum, permanently moored on the River Thames. She is a historic warship and museum that explores the stories of life onboard during World War II. We check-in to our hotel, where the balance of the day and dinner are at leisure. *Three nights at the 4-star [Holiday Inn London Kensington High Street](#)*. (B)

Sunday, August 2: London: Royal Observatory Greenwich, PM at leisure

This morning we set out to visit the Royal Observatory Greenwich, home of Greenwich Mean Time. Stand on the Prime Meridian Line; view the Great Equatorial Telescope—a refracting telescope and the largest one in the United Kingdom; and visit the Octagon Room, where the shape and high windows of the room were designed to provide astronomers with an uninterrupted view of the night sky. Lunch and the balance of the day are at leisure to pursue your own interests in London. (B)

Monday, August 3: London: London Science Museum, Borough Market, Tower of London | Farewell dinner

On our last day in London, we visit the London Science Museum, home to a world-class collection of scientific, technological, and medical accomplishments and artifacts from across the globe, including Alan Turing's pilot computer from the 1950s. Next, we visit historic Borough Market, which has been in its current location since 1756 and is one of the largest and oldest food markets in London. After lunch on your own at Borough Market, we visit the UNESCO World Heritage Site of the Tower of London, a historic citadel, castle, and infamous prison. This evening, we gather for a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. (B,D)

Tuesday, August 4: Fly home

Transfer as a group this morning to London's Heathrow Airport (LHR) for flights homeward. (B)

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- Julia, North Carolina



HMS *Belfast* on the River Thames in London



Women among the codebreakers at Bletchley Park: the unsung heroes helped crack enemy codes and shorten World War II.



Desk and typewriter from Bletchley Park

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Tower of London

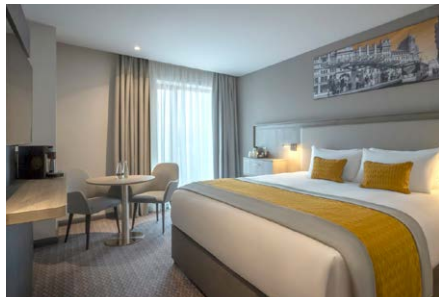
What to Expect

MODERATE: Must be able to walk one to three miles per day on mostly flat, but often uneven, terrain.

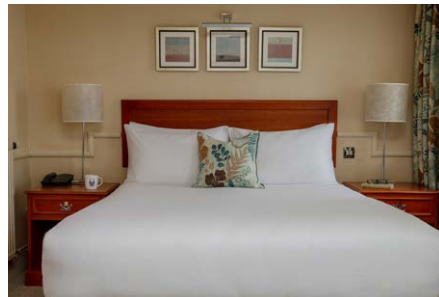


You must be able to make long walks, unassisted, over uneven terrain with difficult footing, and up and down steps, some without handrails. Participants who are not able to walk or stand unassisted for extended periods are kindly advised not to join this tour. All participants are expected to be physically active and not be an impediment to others on excursions, to enjoy traveling as part of a group, and to be ready to experience cultural differences. All participants will be required to follow safety/sanitization protocols set forth by Sponsors/Operator, local staff, and host country laws. Any participant showing signs of illness will be asked to wear a mask when in close proximity to others. If the tour manager decides that a participant cannot visit a site safely or in a timely manner, their judgment will be final. Where possible, an alternate activity may be suggested; additional costs may apply. If you have any questions about your ability to participate, we suggest that you visit your personal physician with this brochure in hand and discuss whether or not this program is appropriate for you. Hotels have been chosen for their excellent locations and generous comfort. Included meals are of high quality. The average temperature in this region at the time of our visit range from the mid-50s F at night to the low 70s F during the day, and there is always a chance for moderate rainfall. Participants should come prepared for pleasant but potentially wet weather. *Complete pre-departure details will be sent to participants.*

Accommodations



Manchester: *Three nights at the 4-star [Maldron Hotel Manchester City Centre](#)*



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Stratford-upon-Avon: *One night at the 4-star [Hotel Indigo Stratford upon Avon](#)*



Cambridge: *Four nights at the 4-star [Clayton Hotel Cambridge](#)*



London: *Three nights at the 4-star [Holiday Inn London Kensington High Street](#)*



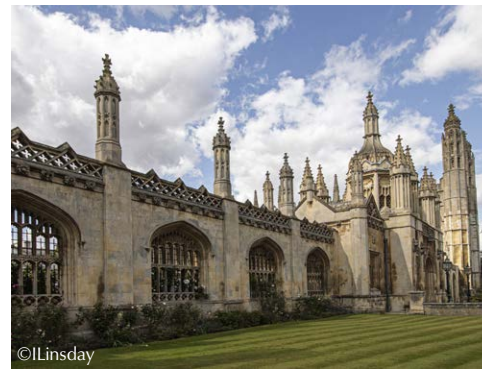
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Bletchley Park



Albert Dock, Liverpool



Cambridge

Tour Prices Per Person (12 nights)

Double Occupancy (18-20 participants).....	\$8,945
Double Occupancy (16-17 participants).....	\$9,545
Double Occupancy (14-15 participants).....	\$9,945
Single Supplement	\$2,095

Single room supplement will be charged when requested or required (limited availability).

With fewer than 14 participants, a small group surcharge may be applied.

Prices Include:

- **Carleton College faculty leader David Liben-Nowell**, and an expert local tour manager/guide
- **Group arrival and departure airport transfers** on program dates
- **Twelve nights** in conveniently located, comfortable, 4-star hotels
- **Delicious meals:** Breakfast daily, one tea as a light lunch, and five dinners. Welcome and farewell dinners include beer, wine, or a soft drink. All meals include water and coffee/tea.
- **All ground transportation** by a private, air-conditioned vehicle
- **All gratuities** for the local tour manager/guide, drivers, hotel staff, servers for all included meals, and porters
- **Baggage handling** at the hotels
- **Entrance fees as per program, and all VAT and local taxes**
- **Personal listening audio devices** for use during guided excursions
- **Comprehensive pre-departure information**, including a suggested reading/media guide, travel guide, and packing list

Flights & Transfers

Airfare from/to home is not included. Group transfers are included on your arrival at Manchester Airport (MAN) and for departure from London Heathrow Airport (LHR), times TBD. Once you have received your final payment invoice, you should book your flights. If you are considering booking non-refundable airline tickets before this time, please contact our office first. Valerie Wilson Travel, Inc. can assist with flight arrangements for this tour. You may contact them directly at 866-200-6172 or email studytours@vwti.com. Alternatively, you are welcome to book your flights independently or through your preferred travel agent. Your flight itinerary must be provided to our office prior to departure. *We do not accept any liability for cancellation penalties related to domestic or international airline tickets.*

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Sponsors/Operator and others and covers certain expenses in conjunction with cancellation due to illness or accident and damaged or lost luggage. Sponsors/Operator will send participants an application upon receipt of their reservation. **PRICES:** Prices quoted are based on fares in effect at the time of publication and are subject to changes at any time. On all programs, even after full payment, Sponsors/Operator reserve the right to increase the tour price in the event of cost increases due to changes in supplier costs, tax increases, currency fluctuations, or fuel and energy surcharges, and all such increases are to be paid to Sponsors/Operator upon notice to the participant. **FORUM AND METHODOLOGY FOR DISPUTE RESOLUTION:** Any dispute or claim which refers or relates to this contract, any literature related to the trip, or the trip itself shall be litigated solely and exclusively in and for courts in Keene, New Hampshire, subject to substantive and procedural New Hampshire law, and for this limited purpose, the parties agree to exclusive venue and personal jurisdiction therein. At the participant's option, however, in lieu of litigation, Sponsors/Operator will agree to dispute resolution in Keene, New Hampshire, subject to substantive, but not procedural, New Hampshire law, pursuant to the then existing commercial rules of the American Arbitration Association. In any such arbitration, the arbitrator, and not any federal, state, or local court or agency, shall have exclusive authority to resolve any dispute relating to the interpretation, applicability, enforceability, conscionability, or formation of this contract, including but not limited to any claim that all or any part of this contract is void or voidable. **U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT & CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL:** Both the Centers for Disease Control and U.S. State Department publish and update important country-specific information for travelers. We strongly recommend that you review them. They can presently be found at: <https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/notices> and <https://travel.state.gov/content/passports/en/alertswarnings.html>. **ASSUMPTION OF RISK:** Participants agree to fully accept all known and unknown risks, including the potential risk of exposure to respiratory illnesses or other illnesses, viruses, diseases, or conditions. Participants understand and agree to hold Sponsors/Operator, their officers, vendors and suppliers harmless and not liable for any real or perceived symptoms of any disease, virus, illness, or condition, nor for exacerbating any existing symptoms of any illness, virus, disease or condition, quarantine requirements, disability, and other short-term and long-term health effects, including death. **MISCELLANEOUS:** Participants should not purchase airline tickets prior to receiving their final payment invoice so as to avoid airline cancellation penalties if a tour is canceled or otherwise modified subsequent to the participant's purchase of those tickets. Baggage and personal effects are at all times the sole responsibility of the participant. If, due to weather, flight schedules, or other uncontrollable factors, you are required to spend (an) additional night(s), you will be responsible for your own hotel, transfers, and meal costs. Baggage is entirely at owner's risk. Sponsors/Operator reserve the right to decline to accept or retain any participant at any time. The right is reserved to decline to accept as a participant, or remove from a trip, without refund, any person it judges to be incapable of meeting the rigors and requirements of participating in the activities, or who is abusive to other trip participants, leaders, or third parties, or who is determined to detract from the enjoyment of the trip by others. Specific room assignments are within the sole discretion of the hotel. **APPEARING IN PHOTOS:** Photos from Alumni Adventures' trips may be posted on photo-sharing web sites or on social networking sites. Your likeness may appear in some photos or videos, posted either by other travelers or tour lecturers/guides, and the circulation of the materials could be worldwide. Trip photos may also be selected to appear in future Alumni Adventures promotions; no compensation is available for appearing in a trip photo used for promotional purposes. **ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT:** By forwarding of deposit, the participant certifies that he/she agrees with these terms and conditions, and accepts the terms contained in these Terms and Conditions, Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Dispute Resolution Agreement. The participant affirms that he/she has not received or relied upon any oral representation of Sponsors/Operator as a basis for executing this Release.