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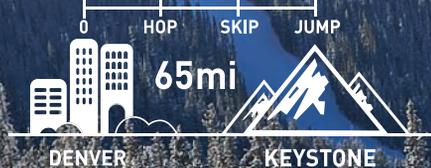
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Copper Mountain, one of Colorado's premier playgrounds for skiers, snowboarders and other fans of winter recreation.  
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# SHARING THE WEALTH

Since 1957, thousands of skiers in the Midwest have been taking advantage of the opportunities that the Chicago Metropolitan Ski Council offers to our member ski clubs. CMSC serves its member clubs by promoting, supporting and developing activities, camaraderie and a shared interest in the sport of downhill skiing and snowboarding. CMSC has financially supported Olympic hopefuls to reach their personal goals. The Council also has provided financial assistance to the American Blind Ski Foundation and the Southeastern Wisconsin Adaptive Ski Program, SEWASP.

I could go on and on about everything that CMSC offers, but the real questions that I have been considering are “How do we share the wealth?” and “How do we inform clubs that are not members of CMSC about all of the opportunities that they are missing?” We have so much to share, but first we have to let others know that we exist.

**Where are these clubs and how do we find them?** We could start with the Windy City Ski and Snowboard Show that invites the public every year in October. Here, thousands of people interested in the sport of skiing and snowboarding attend to learn about ski areas in various parts of the United States as well as abroad. Along these lines there is the Travel and Adventure Show that takes place in January each year. Therefore, let’s market CMSC to individuals who are already aficionados of the sport. Perhaps they ski with a group of friends that could form a club and join CMSC....just a thought. We can educate the public who may already belong to ski and board clubs that are not yet CMSC members. Let’s educate them about the added benefits of CMSC.

**How do we market the Council at these shows?** Ski & Ride Club Guide, the magazine of the Chicago Metropolitan Ski Council, is distributed to all who enter these two shows. Many individuals who attend are not aware that ski and board clubs exist close to their communities.

**How do we convince non-member clubs that it would benefit them to belong to our organization?** Here’s where we can brag. The benefits of club membership in CMSC fall under the following categories.

**Recreation** – Alpine racing, Western and European trips, summer picnic at Norge Ski Hill with a ski jumping exposition.

**Club Planning and Education** – Educational workshops at the Trip Seminar, our industry trade show.

**Marketing** – Our website at skiCMSC.com that provides web presence to clubs, Ski & Ride Club Guide and individual club tri-folds at our ski shows and retail locations.

**Industry Lobbying** - Coordinates efforts to lobby industry changes that adversely impact ski and snowboard clubs such as airline baggage policy.

So are you convinced? Would your club or group of friends like to join us? If you would like more information please call me, Ray Piwowarczyk, at 708-927-0330, and I will be happy to help you enhance your skiing or boarding experience.

**Ray Piwowarczyk, President**  
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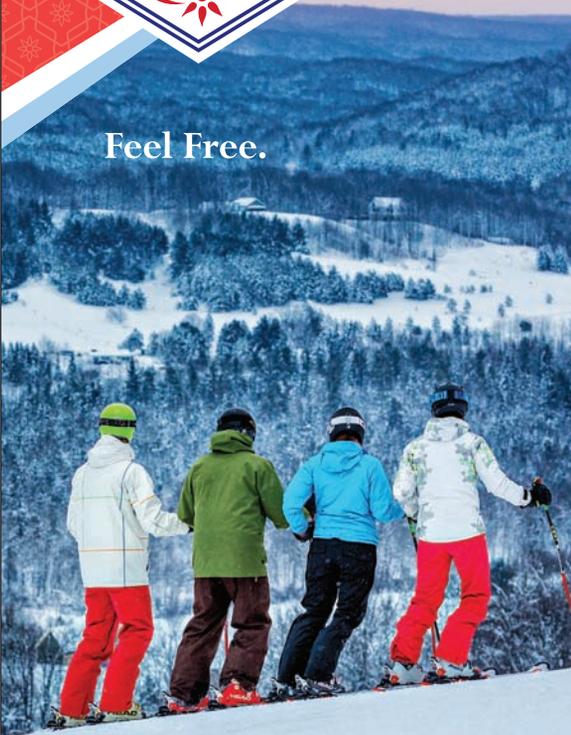
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# CMSC's Winter Carnival 2014

Schuss/Shanty Creek, Michigan

## "The '80s"

**W**e returned to Schuss in March and had the time of our lives! It was great to be back at Schuss; everyone enjoyed the weekend.

After a fabulous buffet breakfast with make-your-own omelets on Saturday morning, the events came fast and furious, starting with the slowest Penguin Race in carnival history! It was such fun watching people figure out the "best" way down...maybe not the belly? Everyone broke out to enjoy the great snow and weather and then on to the slalom race, beer garden, lunch and just hanging around the fire outside and inside.

Then it was time for the Costume Contest—the clubs really outdid themselves with their imaginations. We had the entire Bears Super Bowl Team, Back to the Future Car, Rock Stars, Inspectors, "Where's the Beef" Lady, Dr. Who, Devo! Everyone changed out of their costumes for "Fruity Suity," a CMSC tradition held with the help of the Wild Bunch.

We dried out and then enjoyed a great dinner with music and dancing. Everyone slept well!

Sunday brought us temps of -10 in the morning, but the sun came out, and the snow and skiing were perfect. We started out with a new game from Schuss, "Frozen Fish Toss," and the lines were long to see how far you could throw a frozen fish. After



Back to the Future cardboard racer: a big hit at Winter Carnival.

Slush Cup, we had our awards with the following winners: ABSF (first), Four Winds (second) and Chicago Friars (third). Many comments were received about the great time clubs had and the great job that Schuss did.

CMSC is not running a 2015 Winter Carnival; however, we have heard from clubs that would like to attend Schuss Winter Carnival in 2015. Their carnival will be held March 6-8, 2015. CMSC will put together a bus if we get enough participants and provide a price for the ride up; we also will have pricing for the weekend. Please watch for all of the information and pricing in a newsletter and on the website. ❄️



American Blind Skiing Foundation members display their first place trophy and other awards. Below: The group in '80s rocker costumes.





# Chicago Week 2014 in Big Sky

**W**ith a theme of Mardi Gras for Chicago Week 2014, the good times rolled in Big Sky, Montana. Big Sky isn't the easiest place to get to or from, but once you are there, the rewards are great: a small laid-back ski village with a huge mountain and no lift lines.

Our group enjoyed great snow, with a few inches of powder almost every day. The resort's "Biggest Skiing in America" includes the former Moonlight Basin ski area, recently acquired by Big Sky and incorporated into the larger resort as the "Northern Exposure." Our group took full advantage of Big Sky's extensive terrain and excellent conditions. Meanwhile, the cross country skiers on the trip explored the network of Nordic trails at nearby Lone Mountain Ranch.



This year's Chicago Week group consisted of 16 CMSC clubs: Alpine, Chicago Friars, Duneland, Fort Wayne, Hustlers, Inland, Joliet, Lake Shore, Omaha, Piccadilly, Powder Dogs, Sitzmark (Chicago), Skihasen,

Skunk Hollow, SUDS and Thunderbirds. Our contingent comprised 272 people, ages 5 to 85, from 18 states and two provinces. Participants arrived in waves on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, flying into both Billings and Bozeman, Montana.

CMSC's week-long Mardi Gras celebration began on Sunday night with a welcome reception featuring snacks and dessert. Mardi Gras beads in the traditional colors of green, gold and purple were distributed (and throughout the week), and many clubs brought their own festive attire as well. In addition to beads, each club was given a two-color set of ribbons to attach to ski clothes or equipment, making them easy to identify on the slopes.

Monday featured a Fun Race followed by a group lunch at the Huntley Lodge. CWers mingled at two well-attended après-ski events at the base with pizza on Monday night and Tex-Mex on Tuesday. At the latter event many people flaunted their race medals earned the day before.

Plenty of high-octane revelry, fueled by a Mardi Gras theme, flavored CMSC's Chicago Week in the mountains of Montana. The trip was organized by Mary Kreinbring, shown here with Don "Blaze" Blazowski.

During the week, quite a few people took advantage of Big Sky's proximity to Yellowstone National Park, where they enjoyed snowmobile and snowcat excursions, mostly on Wednesday. Other folks used that day to relax or to try activities such as snowshoeing, zip lining, tubing and fly-fishing. Still others skied six days straight, making the most of Big Sky's gift of powder.

Wednesday evening brought a new off-hill challenge: the Chicago Week Pub Crawl. Nine teams worked their way through four fine drinking establishments, looking for answers to a trivia scavenger hunt. At the last stop, results were tallied and a winning team was announced amidst some spirited but good-natured controversy.

Thursday night everyone came together for the banquet at the Huntley Lodge Dining Room. The Mardi Gras theme was much in evidence with decorations, hats, masks, costumes and an abundance of Mardi Gras beads. The evening featured a traditional New Orleans king cake, door prizes, a DJ and dancing, a slideshow of photos taken during the week and a preview of CW '15 in Mt. Bachelor.

The Chicago Week 2014 photo gallery on the CMSC website chronicles the Big Sky adventure. If you missed this one, plan on joining us for Chicago Week 2015 in Mt. Bachelor.

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# Colorado's Copper Mountain

By Kira Byczek

**L**ocated just 75 miles west of Denver, Copper Mountain is a one-stop ski spot. Since opening for the 1972-73 season, Copper Mountain has undergone countless changes, updating its offerings every year. With winter activities like ice skating, snowshoeing, dog sledding and snowmobiling, plus inviting après-ski possibilities, Copper Mountain has something to offer everyone in your group.

## By the Numbers

With 2,485 acres of skiable terrain, a summit of 12,313 feet, a vertical drop of 2,601 feet and an average snowfall of 306 inches, the mountain is able to maintain some awesome amenities and provide skiers a wonderland of opportunities. Copper Mountain has seven terrain parks and 23 chairlifts, with a lift capacity of 32,324 skiers per hour. This makes it easy to access the 140 trails (21% beginner, 25% intermediate, 36% advanced, 18% expert), the longest being 1.7 miles! The mountain is naturally divided by ability; as your skill increases, you move east across the mountain for more challenging terrain.

## Accommodations

With three slopeside villages, the lodging possibilities at Copper Mountain are endless. Reservations include standard rooms, studios, one- to five-bedroom condos and town homes. Copper Mountain offers impressive perks for groups, like a complimentary lift ticket for every 25 purchased and Secret Pass lift tickets for all guests lodging at the resort. All lodging



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Besides action on the slopes, Copper Mountain guests find adrenaline-pumping adventures like soaring over West Lake on the Alpine Rush Zip Line.

within the resort is just a hop, step and a jump away from the slopes, bars, restaurants and shops.

Copper Mountain offers a wide variety of restaurants, with something for everyone in your group. Each of the menus offers vegetarian and gluten-free options. Be sure to check out JJ's Rocky Mountain Tavern, which was closed for the 2013-14 season. JJ's is based on the legacy of historical figures JJ and Molly Brown, and claims to have the best slow-smoked BBQ around. The tavern offers live music, daily drink specials and happy hour.

The mountain is extremely group-friendly. When booking, each group is assigned a group service manager who serves as their contact throughout the trip, assisting with both lodging and lift tickets. This manager also helps arrange activities for your group. Groups can arrange a free mountain tour via ski or snowshoe.

### Recent Renovations

**Sherpa 2.0:** Last year, Copper Mountain introduced Sherpa, the first hands-free, geo-aware mountain app for Apple and android. New this season is Sherpa 2.0. The updates allow guests to create and share their own mountain tips and favorite trails. The idea is to change how guests interact with the mountain and create a community where those who help to improve the mountain experience will be rewarded. Copper Mountain will choose the best contributors and award them with tickets, passes, swag and a prized spot on the 2015-16 winter trail map.

**Woodward Copper:** Woodward Copper, the 19,400-square-foot barn that serves as a place to learn new terrain park tricks before testing them out on snow, features foam pits, skate bowls, mini ramps, spring floor, tumble trak, spotting belts, Olympic fly-bed trampolines

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and a Super Tramp. The 2013 half-million-dollar renovation project opened the barn doors of Woodward Copper to scooters, skateboards, BMX and slopestyle mountain bikes. All synthetic snow surfaces were replaced with Skatelite, a surface designed for wheels. New this winter, Woodward Copper will be the hub for all teen lessons. All riders, no matter what level, will begin their day in the barn before hitting the powder.

**The 12's:** Copper Mountain's High Alpine Project, better known as The 12's, allows visitors to ski above the treeline and features expanded terrain, improved lift access and additional cat skiing operations, all designed to provide the iconic Colorado skiing experience. During the 2013-14 winter season, the chairlifts and surface lifts in The 12's open an average of a month earlier, due to the improvements. The 12's allow for high alpine terrain at Copper Mountain to open earlier and stay open longer.

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# CMSC'S TRIP TO FRANCE

**M**embers of 17 CMSC clubs went to the 3 Valleys in France on the CMSC European trip in January of 2014.

Les Trois Vallées is the largest ski area in the world. It's linked together by ski runs and ski lifts, with 360 miles of interconnected slopes and 180 ski lifts. It comprises the resorts of Courchevel, La Tania, Méribel, Brides-les-Bains, Les Menuires-Saint Martin, Val Thorens and Orelle. All that and a multi-day lift ticket for less than \$50 per day!

We flew SWISS, not only for the comfort, but also because skis fly for free on SWISS. Even with the free baggage on skis, many in the group rented skis, making travel a lot easier and more enjoyable. We stayed in the quaint little town of Brides-les-Bains at the Hotel Amelie and the adjacent Hotel Vanois. The town had several restaurants, bars and ski shops. The hotel had its own bar as well as a wood patio with another bar. The ambiance on the patio deck was much like the mountain huts we visit for lunch and afternoon breaks. A full breakfast buffet and three-course dinners were included.



The large Les Trois Vallées ski area consists of multiple resorts.

Our ski days began and ended at a gondola that was only 50 meters from the hotels. We skied large routes into the valleys of Meribel, Courchevel and Val Thorens. We had days of sun and days of new snow. In six days of skiing, I never hit a rock on-piste, and only one off-piste. We skied in small groups, but everyone convened in the hotel restaurant for dinner, and on Wednesday night the entire group had a party before dinner.

Some took days off of skiing and traveled by train or the ski area gondolas to other towns for shopping and sightseeing.

At the end of the trip, part of our group headed home, but 59 happy travelers continued to Paris. The four-hour bullet train to Paris was a pleasure. Our entire group was in one car. Fortunately, we traveled from one end of the route to the other, making it easier to move 59 people and luggage—too much luggage—into the train car. We enjoyed a beautiful ride thru the cities and countryside of France.



The French Alps provided a majestic setting for CMSC's European fling.



Chalet-style architecture and a friendly village atmosphere impressed CMSC travelers in the resort of Meribel. Many took the Meribel gondola.

Once in Paris, we had a 2½-hour bus tour before checking into the newly renovated Hotel Best Western Plaza Elysees. The hotel was close to the Arc de Triomphe and walking distance to many of the main attractions. In Paris we broke into smaller groups, scouring the city for three days. We took the elevator to the observation deck on the Eiffel Tower, saw the Mona Lisa and Venus de Milo at the Louvre, climbed the stairs at Notre Dame, and toured Branly Museum, the Arc de Triomphe and Orsay Museum. We walked the Champs-Elysees, the most prestigious and most famous street in Paris. Others took the train to Versailles Palace about 15 miles from Paris.



CMSC club members skied the valleys of Meribel, Courchevel and Val Thorens.

We toured the Hotel des Invalides, an immense 17th century complex originally built to accommodate war veterans. It is now home to several museums, including a large military museum.

Both the 3 Valleys and Paris have so much to do we could go back again and again and never see and do everything.

This season's CMSC Europe trip will be to Mayrhofen, Austria for a week of skiing and touring, followed by an optional three nights in Prague, the capital of the Czech Republic. ❄️



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# Club PROFILES

**CMSC** clubs are spread across the Midwest and appeal to winter sports enthusiasts of all stripes. Clubs sponsor weekend and longer trips to ski destinations in the United States, Canada and Europe, plus year-round social and recreational activities that range from campouts and bike hikes to baseball games and theater nights. This alphabetical sampling of member clubs provides a peek into the fun that awaits skiers and non-skiers alike. Details can be found on the clubs' websites.

American Blind Skiing Foundation



## American Blind Skiing Foundation

ABSF provides opportunities for the blind and visually impaired to participate in our sport no matter their level of expertise. We provide highly qualified guides to visually impaired skiers and snowboarders to participate in our sport, as well as basic instruction for those just learning. ABSF provides financial assistance to visually impaired individuals who otherwise would not be able to ski due to financial hardship. Please help us out by attending our annual Ski-A-Thon fundraiser Feb. 6-8, 2015 at Devil's Head Resort. It is a weekend filled with skiing and fun for skiers, boarders and family members of all ages. ([absf.org](http://absf.org))

Battle Creek Ski Club



## Battle Creek Ski Club

We are a year-round outdoor adventure group that enjoys kayaking, bicycling, canoeing, hiking, golfing and camping. We enjoy entering fun river rafting events, doing downhill adventures and other wacky, fun and safe events. BCSC is a civic-minded, family-oriented club promoting all alpine snow sports. The club is located in Battle Creek, Michigan, but we welcome anyone from any geographical area. The founding members established the club's charter in 1954. Today, we have over 350 club members. The board of directors adopted a club slogan a few years after to reflect the club's beginnings: "Going downhill since 1954." ([battlecreekskiclub.com](http://battlecreekskiclub.com))

Chicago Friars Ski and Bike Club



## Chicago Friars Ski and Bike Club

The Chicago Friars are active, friendly people with an upcoming ski season full of Midwest trips, CMSC races and ski adventures out West to Snowmass and Crested Butte. We encourage new racers to join us on weekends and we support a wide range of ski abilities on all of our trips. If you're not a downhill skier or snowboarder, we also have a number of XC skiers and a full range of social activities year round, including theater, movie and concert nights, camping trips, canoeing, an annual chili cook-off, meet 'n' eats, fall bonfire, and wine and beer tastings. ([chicagofriars.com](http://chicagofriars.com))

## Chicagoland Club 50 – Ski and Sports

If you're 50 years old and love being active, you'll find Chicagoland Club 50 – Ski and Sports the perfect choice of ski club with year-round activities. Club 50 will take week-long trips this ski season to Montana, Colorado and Canada. What makes these ski trips unique is the end-of-ski-day wine and cheese gatherings where friendships are made, dinner plans confirmed and ski partners booked for the next day. Once a month the club gathers for Sunday evening dinner at different restaurants in Chicago and the suburbs. Summertime brings a host of other activities. ([ski50.com](http://ski50.com))

Chicagoland Club 50 – Ski and Sports



### Duneland Ski Club

Duneland Ski Club, based in Northwest Indiana, has a year-round schedule of events for its active members. We are affiliated with both the CMSC and Indiana Ski Council. We are historically an adult club but are currently researching dynamics to allow participation by families with kids. Duneland offers winter trips to Midwest and world-class Western resorts primarily for Alpine and Nordic skiing, NASTAR racing and snowboarding. Summer activities include biking, canoeing, a chili cook-off and much more. To view our event dates, newsletter and membership application, visit our website. Duneland is where great fun begins and memories endure. ([skiduneland.com](http://skiduneland.com))

### East Iowa Ski Club

A key focus of the East Iowa Ski Club is to bring people together that want to ski/snowboard, thus we offer a variety of week-long, weekend and one-day trips. Our club's 2015 week-long destinations are to Copper (Jan. 24-31) and Big Sky (Feb. 7-14). Other winter snow activities include snowshoeing and cross country skiing. Joining our ski club is not all about being able to ski as we have year-round activities that provide frequent social opportunities, including camping, bicycling, volleyball, golfing, sports events, theater, picnics, canoeing/kayaking, dining, hiking and festivals. ([eastiowaskiclub.com](http://eastiowaskiclub.com))

### Fleetwind Ski Club

Founded in 1957, our membership is derived from the entire Chicago metropolitan area, ranging in age from the 20s to the 70s, with skill levels from beginner to expert. We are blue-collar, self-employed, retirees and professionals of all ethnic and economic backgrounds. Fleetwind has always been at the forefront of skiing new areas, running trips to places that other clubs don't usually go to, as well as skiing the most popular places. Come join us. We are always looking for new skiers and new friends. **Read our full club profile on the CMSC website.**

### Hustlers Ski Club

2014 is our 50th anniversary - a special year for the Hustlers Ski Club. Go Hustlers! We are a social club as well as a ski club. We have a Midwestern ski trip as well as three or four affordable Western ski trips each year. We also offer year-round activities such as our monthly Supper Club, golf outings, concert outings and a club picnic as well as other social events for our skiing and non-skiing members to enjoy. General meetings are on the first Tuesday of the month at the Old Crow Smokehouse in Schaumburg. Come join us! ([hustlersskiclub.com](http://hustlersskiclub.com))

### Ibex Ski & Snowboard Club

Ibex is a sport & social club with four Western ski trips, plus one each in Europe and the Midwest. We are active all year round. Activities include biking, volleyball, golf, camping, dinners, Ravinia, wine tastings, plays and picnics. Social meeting is at Gatsby's Pizza, first & third Wednesdays, for updates on events. Ibex membership consists of 140 adults, 2/3 single and 1/3 couples or families. Membership ranges from 21 up with the majority in their 40s or 50s. Family membership allows children on designated trips and activities. Attend a meeting or social activity to get to know us! ([skiibex.com](http://skiibex.com))



Duneland Ski Club



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Joliet Ski Club



Kirby Ski Club



Lakeshore Ski and Sports Club



Lincoln Park Ski Club



Mississippi Valley Ski Club

# Club PROFILES

## Joliet Ski Club

The Joliet Ski Club is celebrating our 44th year! We're a diverse group of family-oriented skiers and snowboarders of all ages, with children and grandchildren joining us on our trips. Our motto is "Joliet Ski Club goes year round!" In addition to our ski trips, we stay connected with our Monday night golf league, Joliet Slammer baseball games, Rialto Theater events and game night, to name a few. We're looking forward to this year's ski season and Mt. Bachelor with CMSC. Check out our website and find us on Facebook. ([jolietskiclub.org](http://jolietskiclub.org))

## Kirby Ski Club

2015 will mark the 30th year for the Kirby Ski Club! Join us to ski Cascade and/or waterpark at the Kalahari with our group discounts. No dues, no meetings, no fundraisers, just nice people that love to ski and enjoy an organized trip with breakfast and pizza dinner with several kegs at a comfortable hotel with a pool. Lunch also included at the slopes. Mainly adults attend the February trip and entire families attend in March. Many families have "grown up with our trip" so we have three generations that attend. Check out our website for more details. ([kirbyskiclub.com](http://kirbyskiclub.com))

## Lakeshore Ski and Sports Club

We are the Chicago area's largest ski club with over 400 active members. LSSC has a year-round activity schedule of Western, Canadian and Midwest downhill ski/board & cross-country trips, as well as a host of bike and hike trips and social events, including Millennium Park movies, fireworks at Navy Pier, annual picnic, paddle boarding, Greek dinner and more. Our membership comes from Chicago, the suburbs and from as far away as Taos and San Diego. It includes singles and couples interested in a range of activities, socializing, meeting new people, networking and making lifelong friends. ([lssc.org](http://lssc.org))

## Lincoln Park Ski Club

The Lincoln Park Ski Club is a non-profit organization that promotes skiing and winter sports. The club has a 40-year history on the North Side of Chicago. In addition to skiing, the club offers a golf league, bike outings, summer beer gardens and various other activities for its members. Each season has a kickoff party and an end-of-season party to coincide with the ski season. Social Club Meetings: third Thursday of the month, 8-10 p.m. at Goose Island, 1800 N. Clybourn Ave. Everyone is welcome. ([lincolnparkskiclub.org](http://lincolnparkskiclub.org))

## Mississippi Valley Ski Club

We are the only active ski club in the Iowa/Illinois Quad Cities. The Quad Cities consists of cities in Illinois and Iowa that are separated by the mighty Mississippi River. That is how we got our name - Mississippi Valley Ski Club. We offer downhill, snowboarding, cross-country and snowshoeing. All ages, all abilities are welcome. We have guest speakers or activities as a part of all our club meetings. They have included talks by Master gardeners, ski patrol, carving, trivia, etc. We also offer summer, spring and fall activities like hiking, biking, canoeing, picnicking and pub/dinner nights. (<http://sites.google.com/site/qcskiclub/>)

### Nomad Ski Club of Chicago, Inc.

The Nomad Ski Club is one of the best ski clubs in the Chicago area, in our 50th year, with over 100 members, ages from 4 to 80s. We meet twice a month in the southwest suburbs of Chicago. Our goal is fun. We offer a variety of events, always something for everyone. The club sponsors two weekend trips and three week-long trips per ski season. We have skiers from beginner to expert. We not only ski hard, we play hard. You can also find us on a cruise ship, rafting, canoeing, playing volleyball, biking, hiking, dancing and picnicking. ([chicagonomads.com](http://chicagonomads.com))



Nomad Ski Club of Chicago, Inc.

### Northwest Nordic Ski Club

Northwest Nordic Ski Club encourages participation in cross-country skiing, racing and snowshoeing in the northwest Chicago suburbs and beyond. Our activities encourage fitness, friendships and awareness of the environment. Dinner meetings and social activities are held throughout the season, including a fall wine tasting and a post-season spring banquet. Sponsored trips include both local and overnight trips to touring centers in the U.S. and Canada. The club supports trail maintenance and contributes to wilderness conservation. The club is open and welcoming to all levels of skiing ability and will provide equipment advice and instruction to newcomers interested in the sport. ([nwnordicskiclub.com](http://nwnordicskiclub.com))



Northwest Nordic Ski Club

### Peoria Ski Club

The Peoria Ski Club encourages participation in many forms of outdoor activities and social events. We are a non-profit organization based in Peoria, Illinois and have about 250 members. As stated in the Peoria Ski Club Constitution & Bylaws, our objectives are:

- To promote participation in outdoor sports, particularly snow skiing.
- To instruct in principles, courtesies and safe practices of skiing.
- To organize and to engage in ski trips and friendly ski competition.
- To sponsor social activities of interest to outdoor sports enthusiasts.
- To affiliate with other organizations in promoting outdoor sports.

([peoriaskiclub.info](http://peoriaskiclub.info))



Peoria Ski Club

### Piccadilly Ski Club

Piccadilly Ski Club is a non-profit skiing, snowboarding and activity club based in Downers Grove. We are friendly, adventurous and like to keep active, socialize and travel. We have singles and couples, with ages ranging from 30 to 75. We ski, golf, bike, socialize and travel. In over 40 years, we've traveled the globe extensively and taken ski trips throughout the US, Canada, Europe and New Zealand. Non-ski adventures have taken us to Costa Rica, Mexico, Jamaica, New Orleans and Key West. Join Piccadilly, make new friends and experience great adventures. ([piccadillyskiclub.com](http://piccadillyskiclub.com))



Piccadilly Ski Club

### Pine Point Ski Club

Pine Point Ski Club is a social club of about 200 members. We schedule Western and Midwestern trips during the winter, but stay busy year-round with camping, biking, concerts, and BBQs among other things. We have snow riders of all abilities – from beginners to racers and powder hounds. Join our group of fun, energetic, mostly single members from throughout the Chicagoland area. Our not-for-profit club has been offering great deals to members for over 40 years! Join us to see what Pine Point excitement is all about. ([pinepointskiclub.com](http://pinepointskiclub.com))



Pine Point Ski Club



## Power Dogs Ski and Snowboard Club



# Club PROFILES

### Powder Dogs Ski & Snowboard Club

While many clubs are losing members, the Powder Dogs are increasing in membership. Why? Because the Powder Dogs are a member-driven club that participates in a wide variety of yearly activities like picnics, parties, paddleboarding, go carting, bike outings, and ski and snowboard trips. The Powder Dogs are the only ski and snowboard club located in the far NW suburbs of Chicagoland and are sponsored by the local ski/snowboard shop Alpine Accessories, where members get big discounts on a wide selection of equipment, clothing and accessories. ([powderdogs.org](http://powderdogs.org))

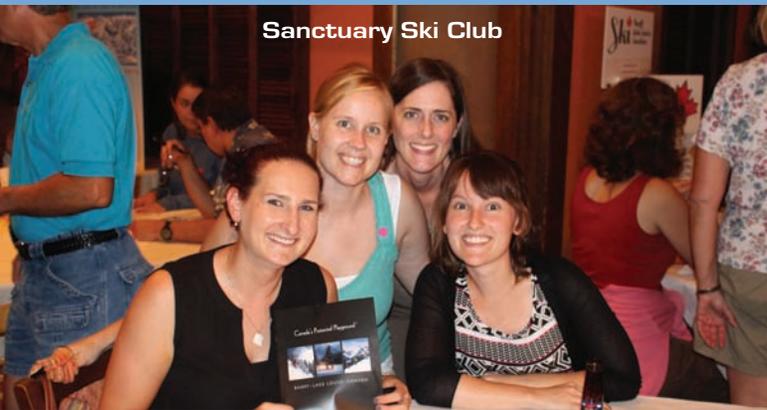
### Rock Valley Ski Association



### Rock Valley Ski Association

Getting out and enjoying life is what we are all about. Whether it is skiing and snowboarding in the winter, biking and kayaking in the summer or just getting together for happy hour socials, life is more fun when you share it with others! We plan plenty of local and long-distance trips throughout the winter as well as fun outdoor activities to motivate us to get outside when the weather is warm. To learn more about us, join us for our members meeting on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 at Thunder Bay Grille in Rockford. ([skirockford.org](http://skirockford.org))

### Sanctuary Ski Club



### Sanctuary Ski Club

The Sanctuary Ski & Snowboard Club is composed of over 300 members. This season our trip schedule is loaded with over 550 available spots for 14 locations. From skiing in the Midwest to Europe, there are trips for every ability level and budget. Also, we offer numerous social activities year round in addition to our ski trips – from biking to camping, kayaking and more. Our club focus is singles & couples, and you must be 21 years or older to join. Please feel free to stop by one of our meetings and check out our website for details. ([skisanctuary.org](http://skisanctuary.org))

### Schussboomers Ski and Snowboard Club



### Schussboomers Ski and Snowboard Club

We are a small, friendly club filled with a blend of skiers, boarders, non-skiers/boarders, singles, couples and families - children are welcome. Our planning committee does an outstanding job to create unique ski vacations for attractive prices. We have run train trips to Whitefish, Montana; Snowmass and Denver, Colorado; and Red Wing, Minnesota. Our members enjoy retro-type ski vacations, i.e. cooking and dining together after a day on the slopes. We meet pre-trip and post-trip at various restaurants. ([schussboomers-wi.com](http://schussboomers-wi.com))

### SouthEastern Wisconsin Adaptive Ski Program SEWASP



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SEWASP, SouthEastern Wisconsin Adaptive Ski Program, is a non-profit, volunteer-based organization that teaches people with disabilities how to ski and snowboard. The program primarily teaches at Alpine Valley Ski Resort near East Troy, Wisconsin. The participants are from Milwaukee, Chicago and surrounding areas. SEWASP is an educational organization dedicated to providing adaptive skiing and snowboarding opportunities to individuals with disabilities. Accessing the unique abilities of each skier, we foster self-confidence and independence. We teach mono-ski, bi-ski, 4-track, 3-track, 2-track, and snowboard lessons for people of all ages and disabilities. SEWASP is a PSIA ski school. ([sewasp.org](http://sewasp.org))

### Sitzmark Ski Club, Milwaukee

The Sitzmark Ski Club of Milwaukee was started over 55 years ago by people who wanted to ski together. While skiing on Western, Northern and one-day trips are still a major focus, we are a year-round club with volleyball, golfing and biking groups, as well as camping and kayaking. We have lots of social events year round from our monthly meetings, after-work parties, our charity event and any outing someone wants to run (we have done small boat trips to houseboat trips, picnics at a lake house to a New York trip). ([sitzmark.org](http://sitzmark.org))

### Skunk Hollow Ski and Snowboard Club

Founded in 1960 as a not-for-profit club, Skunk Hollow offers year-round activities – ski trips each winter and social gatherings throughout the year. We've got three great Western trips planned for 2015. For social events, we may be listening to a concert under the stars one month; the next it's a murder mystery dinner party with costumes and villains; and then we're off to the races, boating or on the shores of Lake Michigan. We have skiers and boarders of all ability levels, so there's always a skiing buddy. We're a friendly group and love to welcome new members. ([skunkhollowskiclub.com](http://skunkhollowskiclub.com))

### Sly Fox Ski & Snowboard Club

Sly Fox Ski & Snowboard Club of Appleton, Wisconsin, chartered in 1967, is a year-round ski and social club for active adults from 21 and over. The club welcomes all abilities ranging from beginner to expert skiers and snowboarders. The club has a reciprocity agreement with Gelandesprung Club of Green Bay, Wisconsin. Together, the two clubs, led by experienced leaders, offer weekend, four-day and week-long trips throughout the Midwest, West and internationally. The Sly Fox Club is excited to welcome new members, from all walks of life, to enjoy social and skiing/snowboarding experiences, along with new friendships and fun. ([slyfoxskiclub.org](http://slyfoxskiclub.org))

### Sno-Gophers Ski Club

The Sno-Gophers are turning 50 years old on June 20, 2015, and we want you to celebrate with us! It all started in 1965 when radio announcer and "comedian" Holmes "Daddy-O" Daylie organized the SKI FUN League, today called the Sno-Gophers Ski Club, to provide opportunities for skiing enthusiasts who wanted to ski regularly and at minimum cost. The Sno-Gophers Ski Club is one of the founding members of the National Brotherhood of Skiers (NBS), proudly boasting as one of its members Mr. Art Clay, one of the two founding members of the NBS. ([sno-gophers.org](http://sno-gophers.org))

### Snowseekers Ski Club

The Snowseekers Ski and Snowboard Club welcomes skiers and riders of all ages and abilities. Our membership includes families, singles and couples. Families with young children are always welcome. We enjoy social activities throughout the year, such as bike rides, bowling, golf, Ravinia and an annual summer picnic. This fall, we look forward to an ice cream social, a bratwurst night, outings to plays or concerts, our annual Christmas party, our Midwest and Western ski trips, and an end-of-ski-season dinner. Visit our website for the latest information on events, meeting dates and locations. ([snowseekers.org](http://snowseekers.org))

Sitzmark Ski Club,  
Milwaukee



Skunk Hollow Ski and Snowboard Club



Sly Fox Ski and Snowboard Club



Sno-Gophers Ski Club



Snowseekers Ski Club

# Club PROFILES



Springfield Ski Club

## Springfield Ski Club

The Springfield Ski Club has over 500 members, making us one of the largest ski clubs in Illinois. We were founded as a ski club, but we offer so much more! While many of our members are skiers and snowboarders, we also have many members who don't ski. Everyone is welcome! We offer year-round activities and social events that keep our members active and entertained. Whether it's skiing in the Rockies, touring in Europe or enjoying happy hour with new friends, the Springfield Ski Club has an activity for everyone.

([springfieldskiclub.org](http://springfieldskiclub.org))



St. Louis Ski Club

## St. Louis Ski Club

St. Louis Ski Club has been going strong for 56 years. The club welcomes all levels of skiers and snowboarders, plus non-skiers. Our membership consists of singles/couples, ranging from age 21 to 70+ years. The majority of our members live in the St. Louis Metro and Central Illinois areas. Year-round ski and social activities are offered, including skiing, hiking, biking, monthly happy hours and our annual Holiday and Dog N' Suds parties. The club is also a member of the Flatland Ski Association consisting of nine Midwest ski clubs with emphasis on racing and, of course, socializing.

([stlouisskiclub.com](http://stlouisskiclub.com))



Thunderbird Ski Club

## Thunderbird Ski Club

... much more than a ski club! For over 65 years the club has provided its members with diverse opportunities on and off the slopes. We attend concerts and the theater. We have four huge summer picnics. We go to hockey and baseball games. This year we have begun to participate in two community service projects: Adopt a Highway and Gleaners Food bank. T'birds golf, canoe, kayak, bike, SKI and SNOWBOARD and generally enjoy life and the camaraderie of fellow members. Why not join us for a great time on or off the slopes? ([tbirdskiclub.com](http://tbirdskiclub.com))

## Wild Bunch Ski Club

The Wild Bunch Ski Club was started approximately 25 years ago by a group of friends who wanted a different experience than what they had from their current ski club. Then on a bus ride home from CMSC Winter Carnival, Wild Bunch was born. Wild Bunch has always had a dedicated group of racers who consistently bring home awards. We always welcome new racers of all abilities. Wild Bunch trips include at least one Out West trip and a weekend trip each winter. We also have a variety of activities during summer.

([skiwildbunch.com](http://skiwildbunch.com))



Wild Bunch Ski Club

CMSC clubs roam the world, scheduling fun-filled trips to Midwestern resorts, the Rocky Mountains and as far afield as Switzerland and Austria.





Picnic attendees watched ski jumpers on the Norge Ski Club grounds.



There's nothing better than relaxing with friends on a summer day.

# CMSC's Annual Picnic

This year's picnic turned out to be picture-perfect with low '80s and lots of sun! We had 21 clubs participate, including over 120 people.

The format this year was a little different. We started with a D.J. arriving early and playing music for the occasion. The music provided a positive and resonating atmosphere for the day's events.

The Norge team said it was the first time jumping with music. The Norge jumpers put on a spectacular show as usual! Norge has mostly young flyers, 5 to 13 being the norm and 38 being legendary. They flew from the 25-, 40- and 70-meter jumps and made it look easy. Because jumping was earlier this year, we had time to climb the 70-meter jump and enjoy the view. It was well worth the effort.

The grills were fired up and a team of experts (Ron, Lance, Mary and Patrick from the Four Winds Ski Club with Ed from The Duneland Ski Club) attended to the food. Kirby and his wife from the Kirby Ski Club helped with the games. It was tough pulling people from their food comas, but once they were in it, they wanted to win it.

The music played into the night. We then headed for the campfire to share our most memorable slopeside stories. A fabulous time was had by all! ❄️

Cornhole was just one of several games arranged for kids and adults.



With all the glorious items from the grill, it wasn't hard to fill a plate.



CMSC club members look forward to connecting in the off-season.



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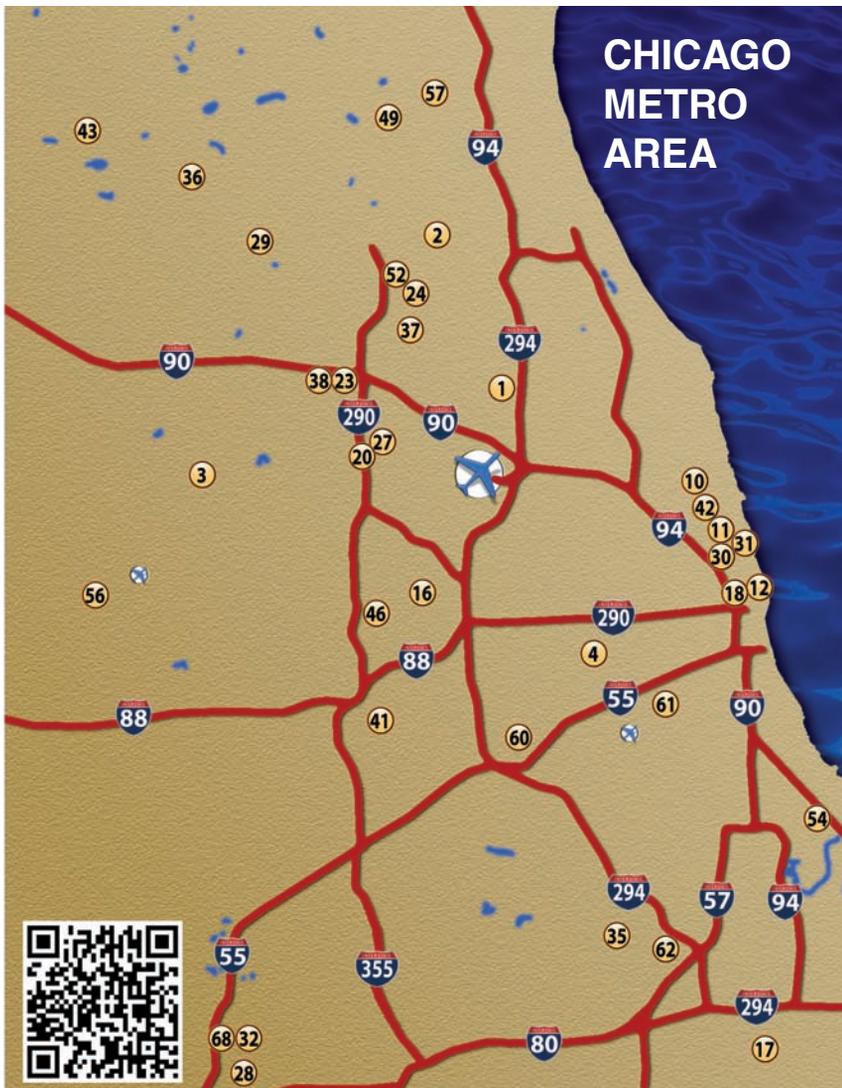
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# 2014/2015 Chicago Metropolitan Ski Council

## Does Your Club Belong to CMSC?

The Chicago Metropolitan Ski Council exists to promote our member ski and snowboard clubs, as well as to provide programs and tools to aid the club officers in running their individual clubs. If your ski and snowboard club is not a member of CMSC contact Glenn Yoshimura, Vice-President of Membership, at [dogsnlcs@yahoo.com](mailto:dogsnlcs@yahoo.com) or Raymond Piwowarczyk, CMSC President, at [raymond.piwowarczyk@century21.com](mailto:raymond.piwowarczyk@century21.com)



Locations are approximate

# MEMBER CLUBS

### 1. 400 Ski Club

[www.400skiclub.com](http://www.400skiclub.com)  
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 (708) 383-5559/[earllemberger@gmail.com](mailto:earllemberger@gmail.com)  
**Trip Chair:** Cal Nykanen  
 (312) 919-0048/[calski400@gmail.com](mailto:calski400@gmail.com)  
 12/10/14-12/17/14 Aspen/Snowmass  
 2/21/15-2/28/15 Mt. Bachelor



### 2. Alpine Ski Club

**Meetings:** Schwaben Center  
 301 N. Weiland Rd.  
 Buffalo Grove, IL 64489  
 1st Wed every month at 8:00pm  
**President:** Hans Kendl  
[johnkendl@sbcglobal.net](mailto:johnkendl@sbcglobal.net)



### 3. American Blind Skiing Foundation

[www.abssf.org](http://www.abssf.org)  
**Meetings:** Teleconferences held on 3rd Monday of every month  
**President:** Nathan Magit  
 (815) 444-9267/[thor0214@live.com](mailto:thor0214@live.com)  
**Club Contact:** Jim Hynan  
[jhynan74@gmail.com](mailto:jhynan74@gmail.com)



### 4. Aqua Adventurers

**President:** Nettie Napravnik  
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### 5. Battle Creek Ski Club

[www.battlecreekskiclub.com](http://www.battlecreekskiclub.com)  
**Meetings:** Miller's Time Out  
 13260 Helmer Rd., Battle Creek, MI 49016  
 2nd Tue of every month  
**President:** Betsy Watson  
[shastawat@sbcglobal.net](mailto:shastawat@sbcglobal.net)



### 6. Bloomington-Normal Ski & Social Club

[www.bnski.org](http://www.bnski.org)  
**Meetings:** Bloomington, IL  
**Club Contact:** Sherrill Leslie  
 (309) 530-6314/[pres@bnski.org](mailto:pres@bnski.org)  
 1/24/15-1/31/15 Banff-Lake Louise  
 2/7/15-2/14/15 Heavenly, Northstar, Kirkwood



### 7. Boeing Employees Ski Club - St. Louis

[www.besc-stl.org](http://www.besc-stl.org)  
**Meetings:** Boeing Facility  
 St. Louis, MO 63166  
 3rd Tue every month  
 1/9/15-1/13/15 Winter Park  
 1/17/15-1/24/15 Whistler Blackcomb  
 2/6/15-2/10/15 Breckenridge  
 2/14/15-2/21/15 Snowbird, Alta, Brighton, Solitude  
 3/6/15-3/8/15 Granite Peak



### 8. Boston Friends

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**Meetings:** Bob's House  
 149 Mountain Rd., Concord, NH 03301



### 9. Champaign Ski and Adventure Club

[www.champaignskiclub.org](http://www.champaignskiclub.org)  
**Club E-Mail:** [info@champaignskiclub.org](mailto:info@champaignskiclub.org)  
**Meetings:** Champaign, IL  
 1/1/15-1/4/15 Granite Peak, Cascade  
 1/17/15-1/24/15 Telluride  
 1/31/15-2/1/15 Tyrol Basin  
 2/7/15-2/14/15 Heavenly, Northstar, Kirkwood  
 2/28/15-3/7/15 Akumal



#### 10. Chicago Friars Ski and Bike Club

www.chicagofriars.com

**Meetings:** Ricochets Tavern  
4644 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago, IL 60625  
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sgrantarchitect@gmail.com  
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(847) 967-5489/bob@bobcarmody.net  
1/22/15-1/26/15 Crested Butte  
3/21/15-3/28/15 Aspen/Snowmass

#### 11. Chicago Ski Pro Club

www.chicagoskipro.com

**Meetings:** Chicago Ski Pro  
3464 N. Clark St., #1R, Chicago, IL 60657  
**Club Contact:** Adrian Oros  
adrian@chicagoskipro.com



#### 12. Chicagoland Club 50 - Ski and Sports

www.ski50.com

**Meetings:** Monthly Sun evening dinner meetings  
**President:** David Utley  
davutl@comcast.net  
1/4/15-1/11/15 Big Sky  
1/31/15-2/7/15 Aspen/Snowmass  
03/07/15-03/14/15 Banff-Lake Louise

#### 13. Downhillers Ski Club

www.downhillers.org

**Meetings:** O'Donoghues Irish Pub  
13225 Watertown Plank Rd., Elm Grove, WI 53122  
2nd Tue from Oct-Apr at 7:30pm  
**President:** Robert Schueller  
(414) 427-4883/president@downhillers.org  
**Trip Chair:** Mary Cummings  
(414) 771-2434/trips@downhillers.org  
**Club Contact:** Gary Seno  
(262) 821-0910/gseno@milwpc.com

#### 14. Duneland Ski Club

www.skiduneland.com

**Meetings:** Gary Sportsmen Club  
10101 Madison St., Crownpoint, IN 46307  
1st Mon every month at 7:30pm pending holidays or events  
**President:** Ginnie Moffitt  
larrymoffitt2384@comcast.net  
**Trip Chair:** Cheryl Wytovicz  
ajfluff@comcast.net  
**Club Contact:** Ed Gordon  
edskates-indiana@yahoo.com  
1/9/15-1/11/15 Marquette  
1/24/15-1/31/15 Steamboat  
2/21/15-2/28/15 Mt. Bachelor

#### 15. East Iowa Ski Club

www.eastiowaskiclub.com

**Meetings:** People's Church Meeting Room  
4980 Gordon Ave. NW, Cedar Rapids, IA 52406  
every month Sep-May  
**President:** Bob Thorkildson  
bob@eastowaskiclub.com  
**Trip Chair:** James Wittnebel  
jim@eastowaskiclub.com  
**Club Contact:** Kim Betts  
secretary@eastowaskiclub.com  
1/24/15-1/31/15 Copper  
2/7/15-2/14/15 Big Sky



#### 16. Elmhurst Ski Club

www.elmhurstskiclub.com

**Club E-Mail:** luke38@sbgglobal.net  
**Meetings:** Hi View Restaurant  
425 W. St. Charles Rd., Villa Park, IL  
1st Tue from Sep-Apr at 7:30pm  
1/10/15 Wilmot  
1/31/15-2/7/15 Breckenridge



#### 17. Fireside Ski Club

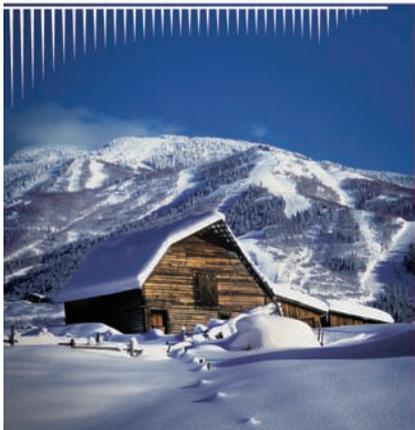
**Meetings:** Sanfratello's Pizzeria  
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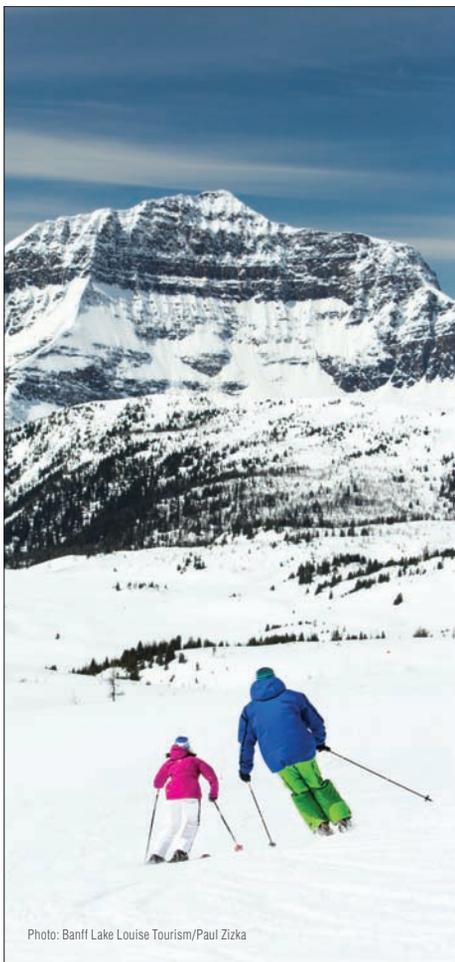
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**18. Fleetwind Ski Club**

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2nd & 4th Wed from Sep-Apr at 8:00pm,  
2nd Wed only from May-Aug  
**President:** Bill Gleason  
(630) 969-6185/chicagobillski@yahoo.com  
11/26/14-11/30/14 *Vail*  
12/13/14-12/13/14 *Tyrol Basin*  
1/2/15-1/8/15 *Alta*  
1/23/15-1/31/15 *Mayrhofen*  
1/31/15-2/3/15 *Prague extension*  
2/12/15-2/16/15 *Mt. Bohemia*  
2/21/15-2/28/15 *Mt. Bachelor*  
3/13/15-3/22/15 *Ski Amadé*  
4/10/15-4/15/15 *Breckenridge*  
4/11/15-4/18/15 *Breckenridge*  
5/20/15-5/25/15 *Arapahoe Basin*



**19. Fort Wayne Ski Club**

www.fwsc.org  
**Club E-Mail:** skiclubfw@aol.com  
**Meetings:** The Lantern  
4420 Ardmore Ave., Fort Wayne, IN 46809  
1st Fri from Sep-Apr at 8:00pm



**20. Four Winds Ski and Social Club**

www.fourwindsclub.org  
**Meetings:** Real Time Sports Bar & Grill  
1120 W. Devon Ave., Elk Grove Village, IL 60007  
1st Thu every month at 8:00pm  
**President:** Lance Tortorici  
ltortorici@thomaseng.com  
1/9/15-1/11/15 *Granite Peak*  
2/6/15-2/8/15 *TBD: Devil's Head or Cascade*  
2/20/15-2/22/15 *Indianhead*  
3/6/15-3/8/15 *Schuss-Shanty Creek*  
3/13/15-3/15/15 *Boyne Highlands*



**21. Gateway Ski USA**

www.gatewayski.com  
**Meetings:** C.J. Muggs Restaurant  
200 S. Central Ave., Clayton, MO 63105  
**President:** Joe Racine  
j.racine@sbcglobal.net



**22. Geländesprung Ski Club**

www.gelandesprung.org  
**Meetings:** The Woods Pub & Grill  
530 Erie Rd. Green Bay, WI 54311  
Tue before each trip at 7:00pm  
**President:** Ron Quick  
(920) 680-9040/rdquick@charter.net  
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1/1/15-1/4/15 *Lutsen, Spirit*  
2/21/15-2/28/15 *Heavenly, Northstar, Kirkwood*  
3/6/15-3/8/15 *Boyne Highlands*

**23. Hustlers Ski Club**

www.hustlersskiclub.com  
**Meetings:** Old Crow Smokehouse  
1100 American Ln., Schaumburg, IL 60173  
1st & 3rd Tue from Sep-Apr at 7:30pm,  
1st Tue only from May-Aug  
**President:** Irene Zaura  
(708) 343-1201/izaura@comcast.net  
**Trip Chair:** Chuck Montagna  
clmontagna2@comcast.net  
**Club Contact:** Bob Meyer  
(847) 705-8732/skibahb@sbcglobal.net

**24. Ibox Ski and Snowboard Club**

www.skiibex.com  
**Meetings:** Gatsby's Pizza and Pub Inc  
427 E. Rand Rd., Arlington Hts., IL 60004  
1st & 3rd Wed every month for booze & schmooze at  
7:00pm and official meeting at 8:00pm  
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**Trip Chair:** Jean Bagel  
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ibxmembership2014@skiibex.com  
12/29/14-1/4/15 *Keystone*  
1/16/15-1/24/15 *Madonna di Campiglio*  
1/24/15-1/27/15 *Florence extension*  
2/7/15-2/14/15 *Sun Valley*  
2/20/15-2/22/15 *Granite Peak*  
3/5/15-3/10/15 *Crested Butte*  
3/21/15-3/28/15 *Aspen/Snowmass*

**25. Indianapolis Ski Club**

www.indyskiclub.org  
**Meetings:** Indianapolis, IN  
**Trip Chair:** Dick Surber  
raskisy@sbcglobal.net  
1/24/15-1/31/15 *Banff-Lake Louise*  
2/7/15-2/14/15 *Steamboat*  
2/14/15-2/21/15 *Winter Park*  
2/28/15-3/7/15 *Beaver Creek*  
2/28/15-3/8/15 *Cortina d' Ampezzo extension*  
3/7/15-3/15/15 *Madonna di Campiglio*  
3/28/15-4/4/15 *Big Sky*



**26. Inland Ski Club**

www.isc.clubexpress.com  
**Meetings:** Bridges Scoreboard Lounge  
121 N. Griffith Blvd., Griffith, IN 46319  
1st Fri in Sep, Dec, and Apr; 1st Tue from Oct-Nov and  
Jan-Mar, usually  
**President:** Larry Douglas  
(219) 949-6419/douglas375@sbcglobal.net  
1/23/15-1/31/15 *Mayrhofen*  
2/21/15-2/28/15 *Mt. Bachelor*



**27. J's Ski & Snowboard Club**

sites.google.com/site/jsskisnowboardclub  
**Meetings:** Elk Grove Village, IL  
**President:** Roy Nakagawa  
roysan0841@gmail.com



**28. Joliet Ski Club**

www.jolietskiclub.org  
**Meetings:** Knights of Columbus Hall  
100 S. 129th Infantry Dr. Joliet, IL 60436  
1st & 3rd Thu every month at 7:00pm  
**President:** Dee Zdravlevich  
(815) 528-4547/dzdravlevich@yahoo.com  
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(815) 729-2498/bl-lewandowski@att.net  
1/9/15-1/11/15 *Welsh Village*  
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2/7/15-2/8/15 *Cascade*  
2/21/15-2/28/15 *Mt. Bachelor*  
3/13/15-3/15/15 *Indianhead, Blackjack*



**29. Kirby Ski Club**

www.kirbyskiclub.com  
**Meetings:** Barrington, IL  
during the two trips a year to Wisconsin Dells  
**President:** Kirby Giampa  
(847) 487-7065/kirbyskiclub@yahoo.com  
2/6/15-2/8/15 *Cascade*  
2/27/15-3/01/15 *Cascade*



**30. Lakeshore Ski and Sports Club**

www.lssc.org  
**Meetings:** Chicago, IL  
**President:** Rich Zaber  
(773) 975-7603/zaber3318@msn.com  
12/31/14-1/4/15 *Granite Peak, Marquette*  
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**31. Lincoln Park Ski Club**

www.lincolnparkskiclub.org  
**Club E-Mail:** president@lincolnparkskiclub.org  
**Meetings:** Goose Island Brewing Company  
1800 N. Clybourn Ave., Chicago, IL 60614  
3rd Thu every month at 8:00pm  
1/15/15-1/20/15 *Park City, Deer Valley, Canyons*  
1/31/15-2/8/15 *Madonna di Campiglio*  
2/8/15-2/11/15 *Rome extension*  
2/25/15-3/1/15 *Winter Park*  
3/19/15-3/24/15 *Banff-Lake Louise*

**32. Lincoln-Way Ski Club**

**President:** Steve Gutschenritter  
(815) 469-6442/smgtusch@aol.com  
**Trip Chair:** Ginny Pesa  
(815) 469-0123



**33. Madison Ski Club**

www.madisonskiclub.com  
**Meetings:** Madison, WI  
**President:** Bruce Olsen  
olsens.madison@gmail.com



**34. Mississippi Valley Ski Club**

http://sites.google.com/site/qcskiclub/  
**Meetings:** Jersey Grill  
5255 Jersey Ridge Rd., Davenport, IA 5280  
2nd Mon from Sep-Feb at 6:30pm for social/dinner  
with meeting at 7:00pm  
**Club Contact:** Ed Rumpza  
qcmvsc@gmail.com



**35. Nomad Ski Club of Chicago, Inc.**

www.chicagonomads.com  
**Meetings:** Gaelic Park  
6119 W. 147th St., Oak Forest, IL 60452  
Joe Daniels  
12218 S. Harlem Ave., Palos Heights, IL 60463  
1st Wed & 3rd Thu every month at 7:30pm, social meet-  
ings at Joe Daniels on 1st Wed and general meetings at  
Gaelic Park on 3rd Thu  
**President:** Pamela Castellanos  
pamela.hollander1@gmail.com  
**Trip Chair:** Chris Oldanie  
(708) 226-1866/oldcast@comcast.net  
**Club Contact:** Ruth Sulda  
(773) 779-4025/ruthsul@wowway.com  
1/2/15-1/4/15 *Marquette*  
1/15/15-1/20/15 *Steamboat*  
2/6/15-2/8/15 *Indianhead, Blackjack, Powderhorn*  
2/21/15-2/28/15 *Mt. Bachelor*  
3/14/15-3/21/15 *Banff-Lake Louise*



**36. Norge Ski Club**

www.norgeskiclub.com  
**Club E-mail:** clubinfo@norgeskiclub.com  
**Meetings:** Norge Ski Club  
100 Ski Hill Rd., Fox River Grove, IL 60021  
1st & 3rd Tue every month 7:30pm



**37. Northwest Nordic Ski Club**

www.nwnordicskiclub.com  
**Club E-Mail:** plmatzek@aol.com  
**Meetings:** Northwest suburbs of Chicago from Oct-Mar  
12/27/14-1/11/15 *Stokely Creek Lodge*  
1/4/15 *Arrowhead Golf Course/Herrick Lake*  
1/10/15 *Nordic Trails - South Kettle Moraine*  
1/16/15-1/19/15 *Palmerquist's The Farm*  
1/17/15 *Glacial Park*  
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1/25/15-1/30/15 *Indianhead*  
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2/14/15 *Deer Grove Forest Preserve*  
2/20/15-2/22/15 *Black River Falls*  
02/22/15-02/22/15 *Waterfall Glen Forest Preserve*  
2/22/15-2/27/15 *Maplelag Resort*  
2/28/15 *Nordic Trails - South Kettle Moraine*



### 38. Oak Park Ski Club

www.oakparkskiclub.org

**Club E-Mail:** oakparkskiclub@sbcglobal.net

**Meetings:** Champps Americana  
955 E. Golf Rd., Schaumburg, IL 60173  
2nd & 4th Tue every month 7:30pm for social  
and buisness at 8:30pm

**Trip Chair:** Dave Breyer  
(847) 841-1364

12/26/14-01/04/15 Boyne Mtn., Boyne Highlands, Nub's Nob  
02/20/15-02/22/15 Indianhead, Blackjack  
03/13/15-03/15/15 Boyne Mtn., Boyne Highlands, Nub's Nob



### 39. Omaha Ski Club

www.omahaskiclub.org

**Meetings:** Omaha, NE

2nd Tue every month, usually

**Trip Chair:** Teri Hammon

(402) 571-4517/dragonsrock@cox.net  
12/10/14-12/14/14 Copper  
01/25/15-02/01/15 Crested Butte  
02/21/15-02/28/15 Mt. Bachelor



### 40. Peoria Ski Club

www.peoriaskiclub.info

**Meetings:** Peoria, IL

**President:** Kathy Preckshot  
pshot@mtco.com

**Trip Chair:** Dennis Kennedy  
mtnski2@outlook.com

11/26/14-11/30/14 Vail  
12/13/14-12/14/14 Sundown, Chestnut Mountain  
12/31/14-01/04/15 Indianhead, Blackjack, Powderhorn  
01/16/15-01/27/15 Morzine  
01/18/15-01/24/15 Steamboat  
02/07/15-02/14/15 Heavenly, Northstar, Kirkwood  
02/28/15-03/07/15 Sun Valley  
03/29/15-04/04/15 Summit County



### 41. Piccadilly Ski Club

www.piccadillyskiclub.com

**Meetings:** Emmett's Ale House

5200 Main St., Downers Grove, IL 60515  
1st & 3rd Thu from Aug-Apr at 7:30pm,  
1st Thu only from May-Jul

**President:** Hillar Akk

(630) 257-9088/akk331@sbcglobal.net

**Trip Chair:** Terry Turlek  
terryturlek@comcast.net

12/05/14-12/10/14 Punta Cana  
01/10/15-01/10/15 Mystery one day trip  
01/21/15-01/25/15 Copper  
02/06/15-02/08/15 Crystal Mtn., Caberfae Peaks  
02/21/15-02/28/15 Mt. Bachelor  
03/21/15-03/28/15 Banff-Lake Louise

### 42. Pine Point Ski Club

www.pinepointskiclub.com

**Club E-Mail:** pinepointskiclub@yahoo.com

**Meetings:** Chicago, IL

12/12/14-12/14/14 Ski Brule  
12/20/14-12/20/14 Wilmot  
12/31/14-01/04/15 Granite Peak, Marquette  
01/10/15-01/11/15 Wilmot  
01/24/15-01/25/15 Wilmot  
01/31/15-01/31/15 Wilmot  
02/05/15-02/10/15 Taos  
03/06/15-03/08/15 Mt. LaCrosse



### 43. Powder Dogs Ski & Snowboard Club

www.powderdogs.org

**Meetings:** Crystal Lake, IL

2nd Tue every month for social hour at 7:00pm, meeting  
at 8:00pm, and guest speaker or activity around 8:30pm

**Club Contact:** Rick Pasturczak

(847) 854-4754/powderdogs@gmail.com

01/09/15-01/11/15 Devil's Head  
02/14/15-02/16/15 Granite Peak  
02/28/15-03/07/15 Steamboat  
04/05/15-04/11/15 Aspen/Snowmass



### 44. Rivercity Ski Club

**Meetings:** Starved Rock Yacht Club

Dee Bennett Rd., Ottawa, IL 61350

3rd Mon every month at 6:00pm

**President:** Kenn Funsinn

(815) 883-0567/funfsinn@yahoo.com

**Trip Chair:** James N. Boisso  
bumbordski@aol.com



### 45. Rock Valley Ski Association

www.skirockford.org

**Meetings:** Thunder Bay Grille

7652 Potawatomi Trl., Rockford, IL 61108

2nd Tue every month at 7:30pm

**President:** Greg Kaski

(815) 235-3528/gkaski\_271@comcast.net

**Trip Chair:** Lars Freeman

(815) 282-6219/lffreem@att.net

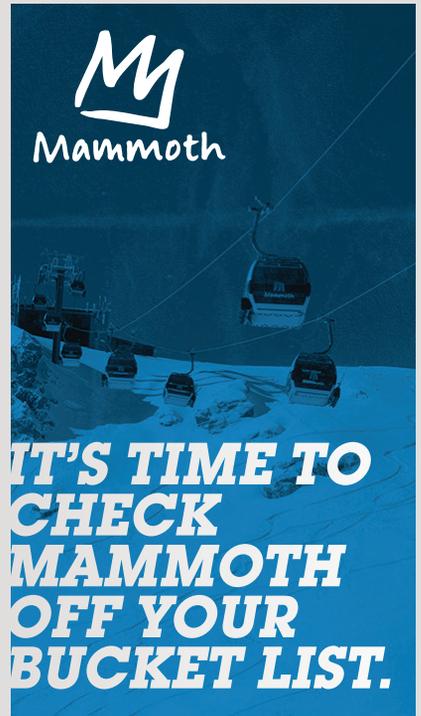
01/02/15-01/04/15 Granite Peak

01/16/15-01/18/15 Indianhead

01/25/15-02/01/15 Red Mtn.

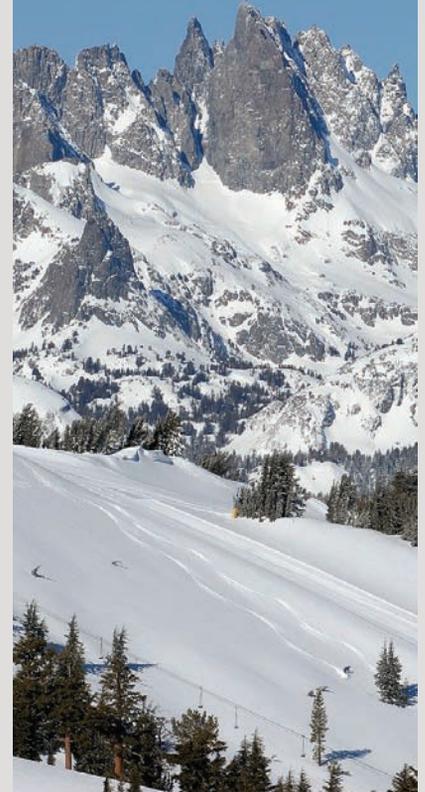
03/01/15-03/08/15 Telluride

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**46. Sanctuary Ski Club**

www.skisanctuary.org  
**Meetings:** Suparossa  
 6310 S. Route 53, Woodridge, IL 60517  
**President:** Dave Shute  
 (630) 479-0985/president@skisanctuary.org  
**Trip Chair:** Jerry Klaetsch  
 trips@skisanctuary.org  
 12/10/14-12/15/14 Steamboat  
 12/20/14-12/20/14 Mystery one-day trip  
 12/30/14-01/04/15 Winter Park  
 01/09/15-01/11/15 Granite Peak  
 01/24/15-01/24/15 Tyrol Basin  
 01/31/15-02/07/15 Jackson Hole  
 02/05/15-02/10/15 Park City, Deer Valley, Canyons  
 02/13/15-02/16/15 Mt. Bohemia  
 02/20/15-02/24/15 Copper  
 02/20/15-02/22/15 Indianhead, Blackjack  
 02/28/15-03/07/15 Banff-Lake Louise  
 03/06/15-03/16/15 Morzine, Portes du Soleil  
 03/28/15-04/04/15 Vail, Beaver Creek  
 04/09/15-04/13/15 Breckenridge



**47. Schussboomers Ski and Snowboard Club of Milwaukee**

www.schussboomers-wi.com  
**Meetings:** Milwaukee, WI  
**President:** Darlene Kelly  
 (262) 367-8377/dardankelly@aol.com  
**Trip Chair:** Jeff Marshall  
 (262) 642-7756/jmboarder@wi.rr.com  
 01/31/15-02/03/15 Welch Village  
 02/28/15-03/07/15 Schweitzer

**48. SEWASP (SouthEastern Wisconsin Adaptive Ski Program)**

www.sewasp.org  
**Meetings:** Alpine Valley Resort  
 W2501 County Rd. D, Elkhorn, WI 53121  
**Trip Chair:** Kathy Mohar  
 (414) 226-8375/kmohar@independencefirst.org

**49. Sitzmark Ski & Snowboard Club**

www.sitzmarkskiclub.com  
**Club E-Mail:** dbarboro@comcast.net  
**Meetings:** El Barrio Restaurant & Lounge  
 1122 Diamond Lake Rd., Mundelein, IL 60060  
 1st & 3rd Wed every month at 8:00pm,  
 1st Wed only from Jun-Aug

**50. Sitzmark Ski Club, Milwaukee**

www.sitzmark.org  
**Meetings:** Cali's Grille Room  
 1005 S. Moorland Rd., Brookfield, WI 53005  
 2nd Fri (usually) from Sep-May for social at 7:30pm,  
 meeting at 8:00pm, and dancing from 9:00-12:00pm  
**President:** Megan Reilly  
 board@sitzmark.org  
 12/10/14-12/14/14 Vail  
 01/14/15-01/26/15 Keystone  
 02/06/15-02/08/15 Ski Brule  
 02/21/15-02/28/14 Banff-Lake Louise  
 03/13/15-3/15/15 Blackjack  
 03/28/15-4/5/15 Telluride

**51. Skihasen Ski Club**

www.skihasenskiclub.org  
**Meetings:** Sheboygan, WI  
 2nd Wed from Sep-Apr at 7:00pm  
**President:** Calvin Wheeler Jr.  
 (920) 452-6277/calvin.wheeler@att.net  
**Club Contact:** Andrew Pietzner  
 (920) 917-7494/arp\_skier@hotmail.com

**52. Skunk Hollow Ski and Snowboard Club**

www.skunkhollowskiclub.com  
**Meetings:** Crave Bar and Food Joynt  
 1204 W. Rand Rd., Arlington Hts., IL 60005  
 2nd Thu every month at 8:00pm  
**President:** Scott Brighton  
 (847) 894-5627/sbrighton6969@yahoo.com  
**Trip Chair:** Jackie Quillinan  
 (847) 530-8989/jrquillinan@comcast.net  
 01/21/15-01/26/15 Whitefish  
 02/21/15-02/28/15 Mt. Bachelor  
 03/14/15-03/20/15 Vail, Beaver Creek

**53. Sly Fox Ski & Snowboard Club**

www.slyfoxskiclub.org  
**Meetings:** The Bar  
 2435 W. Nordale Dr., Appleton, WI 54914  
 1st & 3rd Wed from Oct-Apr at 7:00pm  
**President:** Mary Anne Hervig  
 vicepresident@slyfoxskiclub.org  
**Trip Chair:** Sam Fontaine  
 (920) 337-0975/samfont@athenet.net  
 01/09/15-01/11/15 Indianhead, Blackjack  
 01/24/15-02/03/15 Davos  
 01/31/15-02/03/15 Venice extension  
 02/13/15-02/15/15 Marquette  
 03/19/15-03/23/15 Banff-Lake Louise

**54. Sno-Gophers Ski Club**

www.sno-gophers.org  
**Meetings:** Skyway Lanes  
 9915 S. Torrence Ave., Chicago, IL 60617  
 3rd Tue every month at 7:00pm  
**President:** Larry Earls  
 (630) 670-5436/burningjazz@sbcglobal.net  
**Trip Chair:** Valerie Smith  
 imhaptwo@sbcglobal.net  
 12/20/14-12/20/14 Cascade  
 01/03/15-01/03/15 Wilmot  
 01/16/15-01/18/15 Schuss-Shanty Creek  
 01/30/15-02/01/15 Boyne Highlands  
 02/07/15-02/07/15 Chestnut  
 02/21/15-02/28/15 Aspen/Snowmass  
 03/07/15-03/07/15 Grand Geneva

**55. Snomads Ski and Snowboard Club**

snomadwi.tripod.com  
**Meetings:** Buckets Pub  
 2031 Lathrop Ave., Racine, WI 53403  
 2nd Mon from Sep-Apr at 7:00pm  
**Trip Chair:** Dave Lesch  
 (262) 994-4391/dklesch1@wi.rr.com  
**Club Contact:** Joan Vaughn  
 (262) 553-1487/joanvaughn@yahoo.com

**56. Snowdrifters Ski Club**

www.snowdrifters.net  
**Meetings:** Old Town Pub  
 201 W. State St., Geneva, IL 60134  
 1st & 3rd Mon every month at 7:30pm,  
 3rd month only from May-Sep  
**President:** Joe Hopp  
 jhopp23@hotmail.com  
**Trip Chair:** Frank Hodowal  
 (630) 584-0868/fthod@aol.com  
 01/17/15-01/24/15 Sun Valley Lodge  
 02/06/15-02/08/15 Marquette  
 02/24/15-03/01/15 Copper  
 03/12/15-03/17/15 Banff-Lake Louise

**57. Snowseekers Ski/Snowboard Club**

www.snowseekers.org  
**Meetings:** Dover Straits Restaurant  
 890 E. US Highway 45, Mundelein, IL  
 2nd Tue from Sep-Apr at 7:00pm  
**President:** Darwin Adams  
 darwinla@att.net  
**Trip Chair:** Stu Howes  
 (847) 289-1811/stuhowes@flash.net  
 01/09/15-01/11/15 Devil's Head  
 01/25/15-02/01/15 Copper  
 02/28/15-03/07/15 Steamboat

**58. Springfield Ski Club**

www.springfieldskiclub.org  
**Meetings:** Springfield, IL  
 3rd Thu every month for happy hour, general meetings  
 are in Apr and Sep  
**President:** Nila Riggs  
 president@springfieldskiclub.org  
**Trip Chair:** Michael Joyce  
 (217) 836-6459/vpwintertrips@springfieldskiclub.org  
**Club Contact:** Terri Nelson  
 skierdevelopment@springfieldskiclub.org  
 12/15/14-12/20/14 Steamboat  
 01/18/15-01/25/15 Telluride  
 02/07/15-02/14/15 Heavenly

**59. St. Louis Ski Club**

www.stlouisskiclub.com  
**Meetings:** St. Louis, MO  
**Trip Chair:** Tom Coscia  
 (314) 780-3021/coscia@peoplepc.com  
 01/28/15-02/01/15 Crested Butte  
 02/07/15-02/14/15 Park City  
 02/28/15-03/07/15 Breckenridge  
 03/18/15-03/24/15 Big Sky

**60. SUD's Social Club**

**Meetings:** Time Out  
 6025 S. LaGrange Ave., Countryside, IL 60525  
 2nd Mon every month at 8:30pm  
**President:** Ray Piwowarczyk  
 (708) 927-0330/skiray1@aol.com

**61. Tatry Ski Club**

www.tatryskiclub.com  
**Meetings:** Polish Highlanders Alliance  
 4808 S. Archer Ave., Chicago, IL 60632  
**President:** Piotr Chowaniec  
 jcdesigncorp@yahoo.com  
**Trip Chair:** Jay Kotchon  
 aleksjan@comcast.net

**62. Team Trent**

www.teamtrent.net  
**Meetings:** South Suburbs, IL  
**President:** Trent Wessler  
 trent@teamtrent.net

**63. Thunderbird Ski Club**

www.tbirdskiclub.com  
**Meetings:** Doc's Sports Retreat  
 19265 Victor Pkwy., Livonia, MI 48152  
**President:** Evelyn Fitzgerald  
 (519) 944-6782/evelfitz@yahoo.com  
 01/10/15-01/17/15 Vail, Beaver Creek  
 01/23/15-02/04/15 Brides-les-Bains  
 01/31/15-02/07/15 Telluride  
 02/21/15-02/28/15 Steamboat  
 03/07/15-03/14/15 Park City, Deer Valley, Canyons  
 03/21/15-03/28/15 Aspen/Snowmass

**64. Toledo Ski Club**

www.toledoskiclub.net  
**Meetings:** Toledo Ski Club Lodge  
 47 S. Shore Dr., Boyne City, MI 49712  
 Meets twice a year, most meetings occur on chairlifts  
**Trip Chair:** Rick Popiolek  
 rickpopiolek@gmail.com

**65. Vagabond Ski & Social Club of Milwaukee**

www.vagabondskiclub.com  
**Meetings:** Knights of Columbus Hall  
 3200 S. 103rd St., Greenfield, WI 53227  
 1st Wed from Jan-Dec for roundtable at 5:30pm, social at  
 7:00pm, meeting at 7:30pm, and live music and dancing  
 at 8:30pm  
**President:** Ron Sonntag  
 (414) 788-4907/ron@rspr.com

**66. Viking Ski Club**

www.meetup.com/viking-ski-club/  
**Meetings:** Villa Macri Restorante  
 225 Toscana Blvd., Granger, IN 46615  
 4th Tue every month at 7:00pm  
**President:** Rick Stasyshan  
 nrwstsh\_51@comcast.net  
 03/07/15-03/14/15 Copper

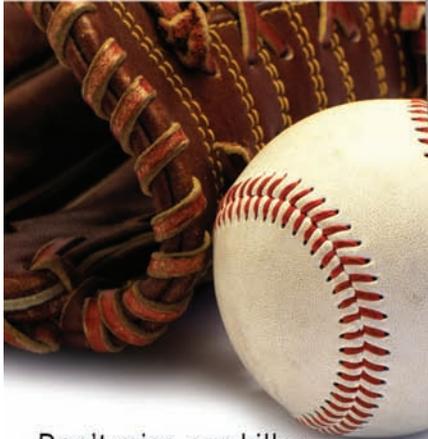
**67. Wheel Ski & Sports Club**

www.wheelski.com  
**Meetings:** Beloit, WI  
**President:** Eric Gefvert  
 egefvert@yahoo.com

**68. Wild Bunch Ski Club**

www.skiwildbunch.com  
**Meetings:** Cemenos's Pizza  
 1630 N. Essington Rd., Joliet, IL 60435  
 2nd Thu every month at 9:00pm  
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	Sat, Dec 20	Slalom
Wilmot Wisconsin	Sat, Jan 10	GS ✓
	Sun, Jan 11	Slalom
Wilmot Wisconsin	Sat, Jan 24	GS ✓
	Sun, Jan 25	Slalom
Wilmot Wisconsin	Sat, Jan 31	GS ✓
	Sat, Jan 31	Slalom
Devil's Head Wisconsin	Sat, Feb 7	GS ✓
	Sun, Feb 8	Slalom
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	Sat, Mar 7	GS ✓
	Sun, Mar 8	Slalom

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DATE	AREA/RESORT	STATE/ COUNTRY	CLUB	DATE	AREA/RESORT	STATE/ COUNTRY	CLUB
<b>OTHER</b>							
● 12/5/14-12/10/14	Punta Cana	Dominican Republic	Piccadilly	● 1/17/15	Glacial Park	IL	Northwest Nordic
● 2/28/15-3/7/15	Akumal	Mexico	Champaign	●● 1/22/15-1/25/15	Marquette	MI	Lakeshore
<b>EUROPE</b>				● 1/23/15-1/25/15	Schuss-Shanty Creek	MI	Thunderbird
● 1/16/15-1/24/15	Madonna di Campiglio	Italy	Ibex	● 1/24/15-1/25/15	Wilmot	WI	Pine Point
● 1/24/15-1/27/15	Florence	Italy	Ibex	● 1/24/15	Tyrol Basin	WI	Sanctuary
● 1/16/15-1/27/15	Morzine	France	Peoria	● 1/25/15	Camp Sagawau	IL	Northwest Nordic
● 1/23/15-1/31/15	Mayrhofen	Austria	Fleetwind	● 1/25/15-1/30/15	Indianhead	MI	Northwest Nordic
● 1/31/15-2/3/15	Prague	Czech Republic	Fleetwind	● 1/24/15	Tyrol Basin	WI	Sanctuary
● 1/23/15-1/31/15	Mayrhofen	Austria	Inland	● 1/30/15-2/1/15	Boyne Highlands	MI	Sno-Gophers
● 1/23/15-2/4/15	Brides-les-Bains	France	Thunderbird	● 1/31/15-2/1/15	Tyrol Basin	WI	Champaign
● 1/24/15-1/31/15	Davos	Switzerland	Sly Fox	● 1/31/15	McMiller Trail	WI	Northwest Nordic
● 1/31/15-2/3/15	Venice	Italy	Sly Fox		South Kettle Moraine		
● 1/31/15-2/8/15	Madonna di Campiglio	Italy	Lincoln Park	● 1/31/15	Wilmot	WI	Pine Point
● 2/8/15-2/11/15	Rome	Italy	Lincoln Park	● 1/31/15-2/3/15	Welch Village	MN	Schussboomers
● 2/28/15-3/8/15	Cortina d' Ampezzo	Italy	Indianapolis	● 2/6/15-2/8/15	TBD: Devil's Head or Cascade	WI	Four Winds
● 3/7/15-3/15/15	Madonna di Campiglio	Italy	Indianapolis	● 2/6/15-2/8/15	Cascade	WI	Kirby
● 3/6/15-3/16/15	Morzine, Portes du Soleil	France	Sanctuary	● 2/6/15-2/8/15	South Kettle Moraine	WI	Lakeshore
● 3/13/15-3/22/15	Ski Amadé	Austria	Fleetwind	● 2/6/15-2/8/15	Indianhead, Blackjack	MI	Nomad
<b>EAST</b>				● 2/6/15-2/8/15	Crystal Mtn., Caberfae Peaks	MI	Piccadilly
● 12/27/14-1/1/15	Stokely Creek Lodge	ON, Canada	Northwest Nordic	● 2/6/15-2/8/15	Ski Brule	MI	Sitzmark Milwaukee
<b>MIDWEST</b>				● 2/6/15-2/8/15	Marquette	MI	Snowdrifters
● 12/12/14	Boyne Mtn.	MI	Thunderbird	● 2/7/15-2/8/15	Cascade	WI	Joliet
● 12/12/14-12/14/14	Ski Brule	MI	Pine Point	● 2/7/15	Scuppernong	WI	Northwest Nordic
● 12/13/14	Tyrol Basin	WI	Fleetwind		South Kettle Moraine		
● 12/13/14-12/14/14	Sundown, Chestnut	IA, IL	Peoria	● 2/7/15	Chestnut	IL	Sno-Gophers
● 12/14/14	mystery one day trip		Sanctuary	● 2/12/15-2/16/15	Mt. Bohemia	MI	Fleetwind
● 12/20/14	Wilmot	WI	Pine Point	● 2/13/15-2/16/15	Minocqua Winter Park	WI	Lakeshore
● 12/20/14	Cascade	WI	Sno-Gophers	● 2/13/15-2/16/15	Minocqua Winter Park	WI	Northwest Nordic
● 12/26/14-1/4/15	Boyne Mtn., Boyne Highlands, Nub's Nob	MI	Oak Park	● 2/13/15-2/15/15	Marquette	MI	Sly Fox
				● 2/14/15	Deer Grove Forest Preserve	IL	Northwest Nordic
● 12/27/14-12/27/14	Marquette	MI	Gelandesprung	● 2/14/15-2/16/15	Granite Peak	WI	Powder Dogs
● 12/31/14-1/4/15	Granite Peak, Marquette	WI, MI	Lakeshore	● 2/14/15-2/16/15	Mt. Bohemia	MI	Sanctuary
● 12/31/14-1/4/15	Indianhead, Blackjack, Powderhorn	MI	Peoria	● 2/20/15-2/22/15	Indianhead	MI	Four Winds
● 12/31/14-1/4/15	Granite Peak, Marquette	MI	Pine Point	● 2/20/15-2/22/15	Granite Peak	WI	Ibex
● 1/1/15-1/4/15	Granite Peak, Cascade	WI	Champaign	● 2/20/15-2/22/15	Black River Falls	WI	Northwest Nordic
● 1/1/15-1/4/15	Lutsen, Spirit	MN	Gelandesprung	● 2/20/15-2/22/15	Indianhead, Blackjack	MI	Oak Park
● 1/2/15-1/4/15	Marquette	MI	Nomad	● 2/20/15-2/22/15	Indianhead, Blackjack	MI	Sanctuary
● 1/2/15-1/4/15	Granite Peak	WI	Rock Valley	● 2/22/15	Waterfall Glen Forest Preserve	IL	Northwest Nordic
● 1/3/15	Wilmot	WI	Sno-Gophers	● 2/22/15-2/27/15	Maplelag Resort	MN	Northwest Nordic
● 1/4/15	Arrowhead Golf Course/Herrick Lake	IL	Northwest Nordic	● 2/27/15-3/1/15	Cascade	WI	Kirby
● 1/9/15-1/11/15	Marquette	MI	Duneland	● 2/28/15	Nordic Trails	WI	Northwest Nordic
● 1/9/15-1/11/15	Granite Peak	WI	Four Winds		South Kettle Moraine		
● 1/9/15-1/11/15	Welch Village	MN	Joliet	● 3/6/15-3/8/15	Granite Peak	WI	Boeing
● 1/9/15-1/11/15	Devil's Head	WI	Powder Dogs	● 3/6/15-3/8/15	Schuss-Shanty Creek	MI	Four Winds
● 1/9/15-1/11/15	Granite Peak	WI	Sanctuary	● 3/6/15-3/8/15	Boyne Highlands	MI	Gelandesprung
● 1/9/15-1/11/15	Indianhead, Blackjack	MI	Sly Fox	● 3/6/15-3/8/15	Mt. LaCrosse	WI	Pine Point
● 1/9/15-1/11/15	Devil's Head	WI	Snowseekers	● 3/7/15	Grand Geneva	WI	Sno-Gophers
● 1/10/15	Wilmot	WI	Elmhurst	● 3/13/15-3/15/15	Boyne Highlands	MI	Four Winds
● 1/10/15	Nordic Trails	WI	Northwest Nordic	● 3/13/15-3/15/15	Indianhead, Blackjack	MI	Joliet
	South Kettle Moraine			● 3/13/15-3/15/15	Boyne Mtn., Boyne Highlands	MI	Oak Park
● 1/10/15	mystery one day trip		Piccadilly	● 3/13/15-3/15/15	Nub's Nob		
● 1/10/15-1/11/15	Wilmot	WI	Pine Point	● 3/13/15-3/15/15	Blackjack	MI	Sitzmark Milwaukee
● 1/16/15-1/19/15	Palmquist's The Farm	WI	Northwest Nordic	<b>WEST</b>			
● 1/16/15-1/18/15	Indianhead	MI	Rock Valley	● 11/26/14-11/30/14	Vail	CO	Fleetwind
● 1/16/15-1/18/15	Schuss-Shanty Creek	MI	Sno-Gophers	● 11/26/14-11/30/14	Vail	CO	Peoria
				● 12/10/14-12/17/14	Aspen/Snowmass	CO	400
				● 12/10/14-12/14/14	Copper	CO	Omaha

# TRIPS BY DESTINATION

DATE	AREA/RESORT	STATE/ COUNTRY	CLUB	DATE	AREA/RESORT	STATE/ COUNTRY	CLUB
• 12/10/14-12/15/14	Steamboat	CO	Sanctuary	• 2/21/15-2/28/15	Mt. Bachelor	OR	Omaha
• 12/10/14-12/14/14	Vail	CO	Sitzmark Milwaukee	• 2/21/15-2/28/15	Mt. Bachelor	OR	Piccadilly
• 12/15/14-12/20/14	Steamboat	CO	Springfield	• 2/21/15-2/28/15	Mt. Bachelor	OR	Skunk Hollow
• 12/29/14-1/4/15	Keystone	CO	Ibex	• 2/21/15-2/28/15	Heavenly, Northstar, Kirkwood	CA	Gelandesprung
• 12/30/14-1/4/15	Winter Park	CO	Sanctuary	• 2/21/15-2/28/15	Banff-Lake Louise	AB, Canada	Sitzmark Milwaukee
• 1/2/15-1/8/15	Alta	UT	Fleetwind	• 2/21/15-2/28/15	Aspen/Snowmass	CO	Sno-Gophers
• 1/3/15-1/11/15	Devil's Thumb, Winter Park	CO	Lakeshore	• 2/21/15-2/28/15	Steamboat	CO	Thunderbird
• 1/4/15-1/11/15	Big Sky	MT	Club 50	• 2/24/15-3/1/15	Copper	CO	Snowdrifters
• 1/9/15-1/13/15	Winter Park	CO	Boeing	• 2/25/15-3/1/15	Winter Park	CO	Lincoln Park
• 1/10/15-1/17/15	Vail, Beaver Creek	CO	Thunderbird	• 2/28/15-3/7/15	Beaver Creek	CO	Indianapolis
• 1/11/15-1/17/15	Vail	CO	Lakeshore	• 2/28/15-3/7/15	Sun Valley	ID	Peoria
• 1/15/15-1/20/15	Park City, Deer Valley, Canyons	UT	Lincoln Park	• 2/28/15-3/7/15	Steamboat	CO	Powder Dogs
• 1/15/15-1/20/15	Steamboat	CO	Nomad	• 2/28/15-3/7/15	Banff-Lake Louise	AB, Canada	Sanctuary
• 1/17/15-1/24/15	Whistler Blackcomb	BC, Canada	Boeing	• 2/28/15-3/7/15	Schweitzer	ID	Schussboomers
• 1/17/15-1/24/15	Telluride	CO	Champaign	• 2/28/15-3/7/15	Steamboat	CO	Snowseekers
• 1/17/15-1/24/15	Sun Valley	ID	Snowdrifters	• 2/28/15-3/7/15	Breckenridge	CO	St. Louis
• 1/18/15-1/24/15	Steamboat	CO	Peoria	• 3/1/15-3/6/15	Squaw Valley, Alpine Meadows	CA	Lakeshore
• 1/18/15-1/25/15	Telluride	CO	Springfield	• 3/1/15-3/8/15	Telluride	CO	Rock Valley
• 1/21/15-1/25/15	Copper	CO	Piccadilly	• 3/5/15-3/10/15	Crested Butte	CO	Ibex
• 1/21/15-1/26/15	Whitefish	MT	Skunk Hollow	• 3/7/15-3/14/15	Banff-Lake Louise	AB, Canada	Club 50
• 1/22/15-1/26/15	Crested Butte	CO	Friars	• 3/7/15-3/14/15	Park City, Deer Valley, Canyons	UT	Thunderbird
• 1/22/15-1/26/15	Keystone	CO	Sitzmark Milwaukee	• 3/7/15-3/14/15	Copper	CO	Viking
• 1/24/15-1/31/15	Banff-Lake Louise	AB, Canada	Bloomington-Normal	• 3/12/15-3/17/15	Banff-Lake Louise	AB, Canada	Snowdrifters
• 1/24/15-1/31/15	Steamboat	CO	Duneland	• 3/14/15-3/21/15	Banff-Lake Louise	AB, Canada	Nomad
• 1/24/15-1/31/15	Copper	CO	East Iowa	• 3/14/15-3/20/15	Vail, Beaver Creek	CO	Skunk Hollow
• 1/24/15-1/31/15	Banff-Lake Louise	AB, Canada	Indianapolis	• 3/14/15-3/21/15	Copper	CO	Snowmads
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• 1/25/15-2/1/15	Red Mtn.	BC	Rock Valley	• 3/19/15-3/24/15	Banff-Lake Louise	AB, Canada	Lincoln Park
• 1/25/15-2/1/15	Copper	CO	Snowseekers	• 3/19/15-3/23/15	Banff-Lake Louise	AB, Canada	Sly Fox
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• 1/28/15-2/1/15	Crested Butte	CO	St. Louis	• 3/21/15-3/28/15	Aspen/Snowmass	CO	Ibex
• 1/31/15-2/7/15	Aspen/Snowmass	CO	Club 50	• 3/21/15-3/28/15	Banff-Lake Louise	AB, Canada	Piccadilly
• 1/31/15-2/7/15	Breckenridge	CO	Elmhurst	• 3/21/15-3/28/15	Aspen/Snowmass	CO	Thunderbird
• 1/31/15-2/7/15	Jackson Hole	WY	Sanctuary	• 3/28/15-4/4/15	Big Sky	MT	Indianapolis
• 1/31/15-2/7/15	Telluride	CO	Thunderbird	• 3/28/15-4/4/15	Vail, Beaver Creek	CO	Sanctuary
• 2/5/15-2/10/15	Taos	NM	Pine Point	• 3/28/15-4/5/15	Telluride	CO	Sitzmark Milwaukee
• 2/5/15-2/10/15	Park City, Deer Valley, Canyons	UT	Sanctuary	• 3/29/15-4/4/15	Summit County	CO	Peoria
• 2/6/15-2/10/15	Breckenridge	CO	Boeing	• 4/5/15-4/11/15	Aspen/Snowmass	CO	Powder Dogs
• 2/7/15-2/14/15	Heavenly, Northstar, Kirkwood	CA, NV	Bloomington-Normal	• 4/9/15-4/13/15	Breckenridge	CO	Sanctuary
• 2/7/15-2/14/15	Heavenly, Northstar, Kirkwood	CA, NV	Champaign	• 4/10/15-4/15/15	Breckenridge	CO	Fleetwind
• 2/7/15-2/14/15	Big Sky	MT	East Iowa	• 4/11/15-4/18/15	Breckenridge	CO	Fleetwind
• 2/7/15-2/14/15	Sun Valley	ID	Ibex	• 5/20/15-5/25/15	Arapahoe Basin	CO	Fleetwind
• 2/7/15-2/14/15	Steamboat	CO	Indianapolis				
• 2/7/15-2/14/15	Heavenly, Northstar, Kirkwood	CA, NV	Peoria				
• 2/7/15-2/14/15	Heavenly	CA, NV	Springfield				
• 2/7/15-2/14/15	Park City	UT	St. Louis				
• 2/14/15-2/21/15	Snowbird, Alta, Brighton, Solitude	UT	Boeing				
• 2/14/15-2/21/15	Winter Park	CO	Indianapolis				
• 2/14/15-2/19/15	Red Mtn., Whitewater	BC, Canada	Lakeshore				
• 2/20/15-2/24/15	Copper	CO	Sanctuary				
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• 2/21/15-2/28/15	Mt. Bachelor	OR	Inland				
• 2/21/15-2/28/15	Mt. Bachelor	OR	Joliet				
• 2/21/15-2/28/15	Mt. Bachelor	OR	Nomad				

## CMSC Club Honors

Members of the Chicago Metropolitan Ski Council (CMSC) were recognized for their service at the CMSC 2013-2014 Appreciation Party in July.

Mike Pogar was recognized with the Most Significant Individual Award, and Denise Genge was cited as the most Outstanding Chairperson.

The Outstanding Service Awards went to David Altsop, Mike McCreery, Bob Murphy, Mary Kreinbring, Sue Finis, Jill Hronek, and Kevin Sypolt. Other award winners: Don "Blaze" Blazowski, Carol David Award for Outstanding Regional Vice President and Ruth Sulda, Bea Mejia Life Member Award.

Viking Ski Shop and ACP, Inc. were recognized with Trailblazer Awards for Outstanding Associate Members.

Clubs of the Chicago Metropolitan Ski Council

(CMSC) were recognized at the CMSC Trip Seminar in May.

The Steve Sutton Award for Newsletter Excellence in 2013-2014 went to Nomad Ski Club of Chicago, Inc. (first), Duneland Ski Club (second), and Sanctuary Ski Club (third).

The Gary Heller Award for Website Excellence in 2013-2014 went to Springfield Ski Club (first), Sanctuary Ski Club (second), and Thunderbird Ski Club (third).

## Top Clubs for 2013-2014:

1. Chicago Friars Ski and Bike Club
  2. Nomads Ski Club of Chicago, Inc.
  3. Skunk Hollow Ski and Snowboard Club
- Duneland Ski Club was recognized as the most improved club in 2013-2014.

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# These Girls Can Fly

*From their start at Illinois' Norge Ski Club to victories at Alaska's Junior Nationals and invitations to Fly Girls—a stepping stone to the Women's Olympic Ski Jumping Team—Cara Larson and Mollie Immens are flying high in the ski jumping world*

By Lauren Reiniger

**C**ara Larson, 13, and Mollie Immens, 14, took first and second place, respectively, in the 2014 U.S. Ski and Snowboard Association (USSA) Junior National Jumping/Nordic Combined competition in Anchorage, Alaska. Larson also placed second in the Nordic Combined event, which features a combined score from ski jumping and cross country skiing. How did these girls get to this outstanding point in their lives at such young ages?

Larson and Immens have been training together since they were little kids and remain good friends today.

"My grandpa taught my dad to ski jump, and my dad taught me and my sister. I started skiing at 5 years old," said Immens.

Larson said, "I followed my older brother and started downhill skiing at age 2, jumping at age 5."

Both girls started their skiing careers at **Norge Ski Club** in Fox River Grove, Illinois. Norge is the oldest (opened in 1905), continuously open ski club in the United States. The club's junior program starts jump training at a young age, as we saw in Immens' and Larson's cases. Junior program jumpers compete at many tournaments throughout the year at Norge in the Central Division and at other jumping clubs across the nation. Larson and Immens were among the best females in the Central Division and were very excited to represent their division at Junior Nationals.

"I remember starting on smaller hills and working my way up. I often went to tournaments in Wisconsin," Immens said.

Larson said, "When I won at Junior Nationals, it affirmed my dream of becoming a ski jumper."

After their victories at Junior Nationals, the girls were invited to the selective Fly Girls program in Park City, Utah. Kailey Bickner, 13, a fellow Norge Ski Club ski jumper, was also invited to Fly Girls with Larson and Immens, and is currently living, training and attending school in Park City.



Cara Larson works on her jump during official training in Anchorage, Alaska.

## Women's Ski

**Jumping USA** runs the U.S. women's ski jumping program and is the primary support organization for the U.S. national team (ski jumping is not part of the U.S. Ski Team and therefore needs to fund its own travel to competitions). The organization administers and finances the team's coaching, travel, training, equipment and junior development program, **Fly Girls**. Women's Ski Jumping USA launched Fly Girls in spring 2014 as an innovative athlete development program and branding initiative to recruit and retain young female ski jumpers with the goal of one day being selected to join the National and Olympic teams.

The Fly Girls program is inspired by the ideals and dreams from the athletes, coaches, parents, volunteers and supporters who joined together to lead the Olympic women's ski jumping movement in the U.S. and across the globe. The 2014 Sochi Games marked the first appearance of women's ski jumping on the Olympic program.

Because of this inspirational story, Fly Girls is more than an athlete development program—it's a mission to empower girls to never give up on their dreams. Each spring, 10-plus rising stars in ski jumping (ages 12-16) will be selected to the Fly Girls program and invited to attend an intensive, five-week summer development camp. Fly Girls aims to nurture the athlete's progress throughout the entire season.

Immens said, "I knew most girls who were invited and had a lot of friends going, including Cara. We learned so many new things, and we were coached by women's USA coach Alan Alborn and Olympian ski jumper Lindsey Van. It was so cool to get to know them. Fly Girls camp was the five-week highlight of my summer."

Larson said, "At the camp, we worked on ski jumps about three to four days a week and did workouts the rest of the week. I realized this is what I want to do and make it to the next level."

Currently, Larson and Immens are training for the next Junior Nationals to be held in Steamboat Springs, Colorado from March 3-7, 2015. ❁



Mollie Immens (left) and Cara Larson take home honors at Junior Nationals.

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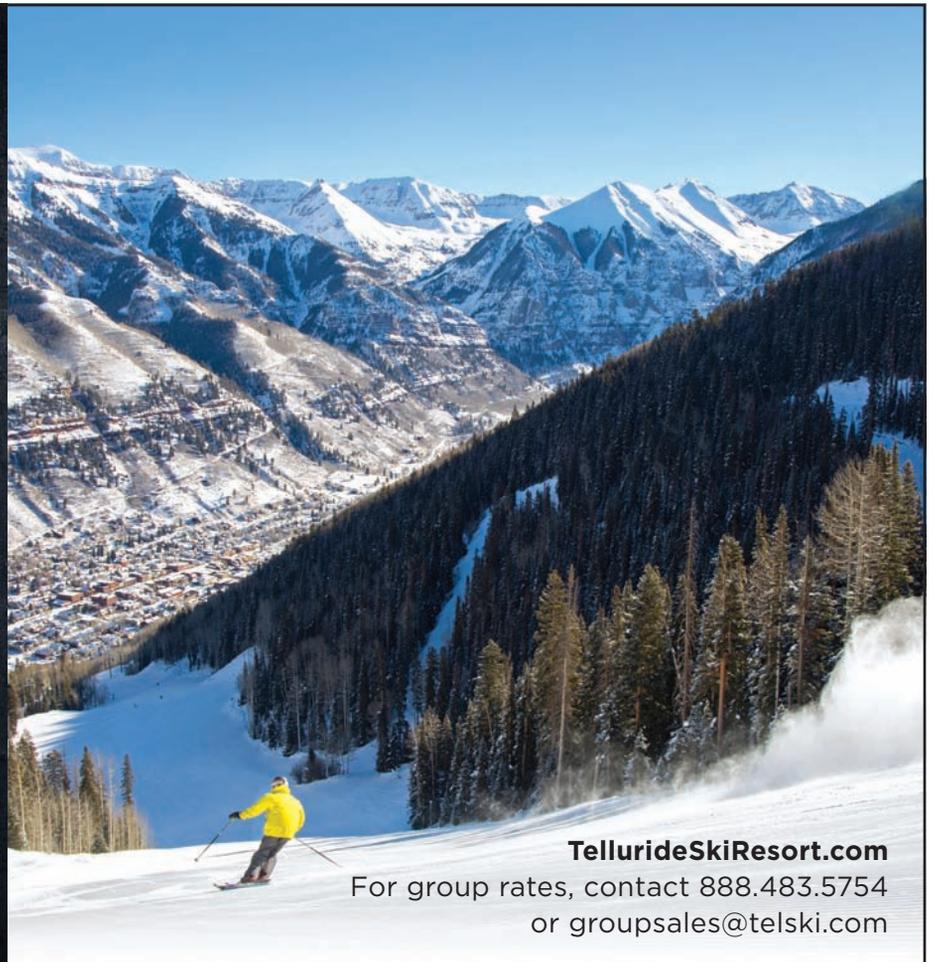
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