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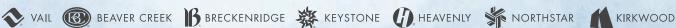
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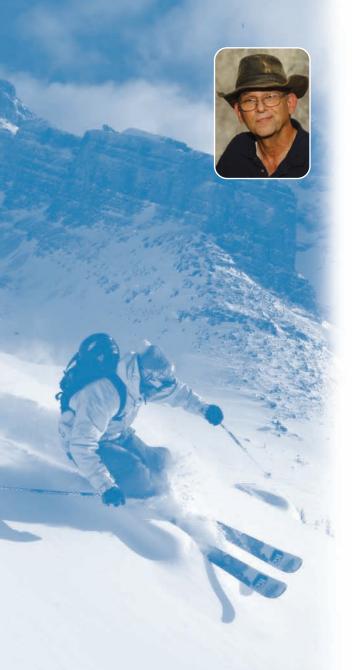
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CHANGES

With the advent of technology, the world of skiing and boarding has changed dramatically over the last decade. Today, we find our skis shorter and wider than a decade ago, making it easier for a greater number of participants to enjoy the sports of skiing and boarding.

This advanced technology can be seen on the ski hills as well. Some ski areas have already eliminated the employee who checks lift tickets to access the ski lift. These areas have installed automatic gates that allow entry to the lift via the use of a radio frequency (RF) gate card in a jacket pocket.

Just recently, the Council required both a recording secretary and a corresponding secretary, but today, we only need one secretary on the Executive Board. Because of technology and the Internet, it has become easier to communicate with a click of a button. The use of e-mail has eliminated the Council's need to communicate via phone and snail mail. CMSC minutes are posted online for all delegates to view at any time. CMSC now has a website where ski clubs can display their news, events and trips for the public to see.

Safety issues also have evolved over the last decade. Helmets, for example, are now more widely used by skiers and boarders and have been proven to help prevent serious injuries. In fact, the employees of many ski areas are now required to wear helmets whenever they are locked into their skis. It is just a matter of time when helmets will be required everywhere on the hill.

The CMSC Seminar also saw some changes this year. Several classes were incorporated into Ski Seminar. These classes instructed club leaders how to better market their trips and events, while other classes explained how to approach legal and tax issues.

Unlike a decade ago, the CMSC Picnic, this Aug. 17, has been expanded to include free admission, free food, free entertainment and free overnight camping for the weekend as well as the ever popular Olympic ski jumping. It is a great event where many CMSC clubs can have fun, socialize and network.

As always, CMSC welcomes new members and new ideas. Our general meetings are open to all CMSC club members on the second Tuesday of the month at Sawa's Old Warsaw in Broadview. Hope to see you there!

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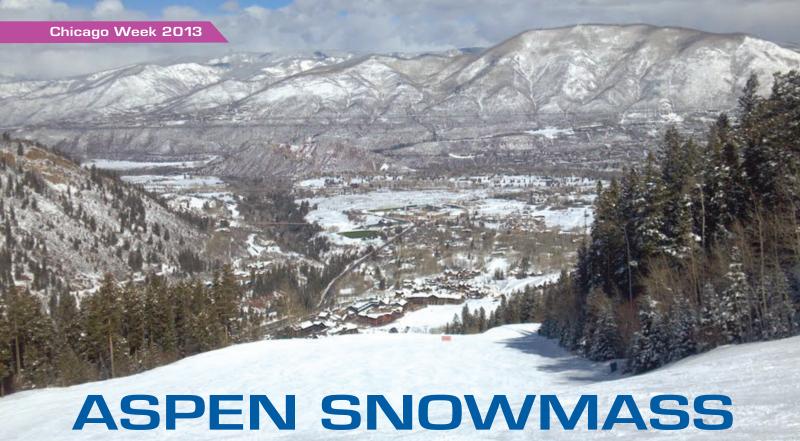
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by Teri Kinney & Sue Finis

Raves for Chicago Week 2013

Julian Franklin of Piccadilly says, ".... Chicago Week is a must do—the camaraderie, meeting/making new friends and ski buddies, the common sense of joy at being out in the mountains and on ski/boards is like nothing else!"

Walter Kokidko of Duneland: "Chicago Week in Snowmass was visibly stunning and the direction of Teri and Sue was breathtaking!"

Sally Griffith of Skunk Hollow: "CMSC week at Aspen/Snowmass was a must see, a must experience, a must enjoy. It was great!"

Carl Buss of Hustlers: "Two thumbs up for the CMSC Aspen/Snowmass feature presentation."

Representing 12 CMSC clubs (and four Boston Friends), 327 CMSC members descended on Aspen/Snowmass Feb. 23 prepared for a week of fun. And fun it was. Tired but happy people arrived on Saturday throughout the day, with about half staying at The Gant in Aspen and half at various properties in Snowmass.

The trip really got going on Sunday with the start of the ski

week in great conditions with some fresh snow. Sunday night, in keeping with our Hollywood theme, we had a red carpet Oscars cocktail reception at the historic Hotel Jerome in downtown Aspen. With cocktails flowing (including the delicious Aspen Crud specialty drink), appetizers galore and the Academy Awards playing in the background, the party was a great kickoff to the week. Several people dressed in their Oscar best for the grand occasion. Hotel Jerome was the perfect venue to start us on our way to a great week.



Duneland's Janice and Ed Gordon won "Oscars" for their Matrix costumes.



Monday dawned clear and sunny for our NASTAR race and mountain picnic at the Spider Sabich race arena in Snowmass. We had nearly 140 racers taking home 79 NASTAR medals - two Gold. 28 Silver and 49 Bronze. Race chairman Sue Finis arranged for those who didn't win NASTAR medals to get a nice Aspen/Snowmass pin instead. Fastest males were Rick Pasturczak from PowderDogs and John Anich from Sanctuary Ski Club. Fastest females were Ann Loveless from Thunderbirds and Marianne Watkins from Fort Wayne (narrowly edging out trip leader Teri Kinney by 2/100ths of a second!). Following the race we had delicious burgers on the deck and lingered about before heading out to enjoy the rest of the ski day.

Monday night was the pub crawl in Aspen, where we enjoyed special deals at The J Bar, Finnbar, Red Onion, 39 Degrees and the Limelight. Although we sure didn't paint the town until the wee hours as we did in our younger days, we had a great time.

Tuesday brought more fresh snow and a fantastic après ski party at Sneaky's at the base of Snowmass. Again, the cocktails flowed and the food kept coming. The highlight of the buffet was the mac & cheese, mmmmm delicious.

Wednesday was a day off for most of the group, and another sunny one - some skied, some shopped, some spa'd, some just relaxed. Your intrepid trip leaders skied at Aspen Highlands, where they had most of the runs to themselves and loved every minute of it. Wednesday night many of the clubs held their club dinners at various condo units and restaurants throughout the village.

Thursday was another clear and sunny day with a lot of people skiing at Aspen Mountain followed by another fantastic après ski party at the Cantina in Aspen. House margaritas, sangria and beer were included along with the expected chips and guacamole, guesadillas and taquitos. Cabo Wabo tequila girls passed out shots and giveaways to complete the experience.

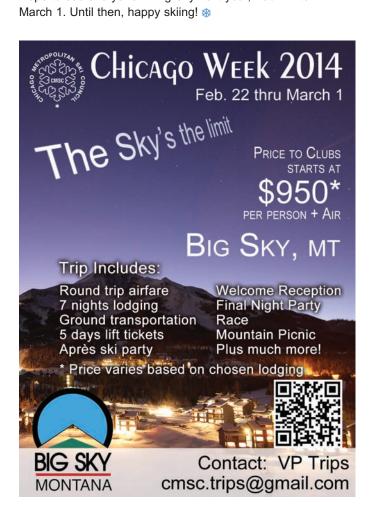
Friday, our final day, most skied at Snowmass, fresh snow in the morning with sunny skies in the afternoon. The final night Hollywood blowout at the Westin Conference Center in Snowmass had a red carpet complete with paparazzi and CMSC members in their finery and costumes. Best costume awards went to Ed and Janice Gordon from Duneland who came as Neo and Trinity from the Matrix movie series and Ann Loveless from Thunderbirds who had great fun as Nancy Sinatra. The meal was wonderful, featuring a cream of mush-

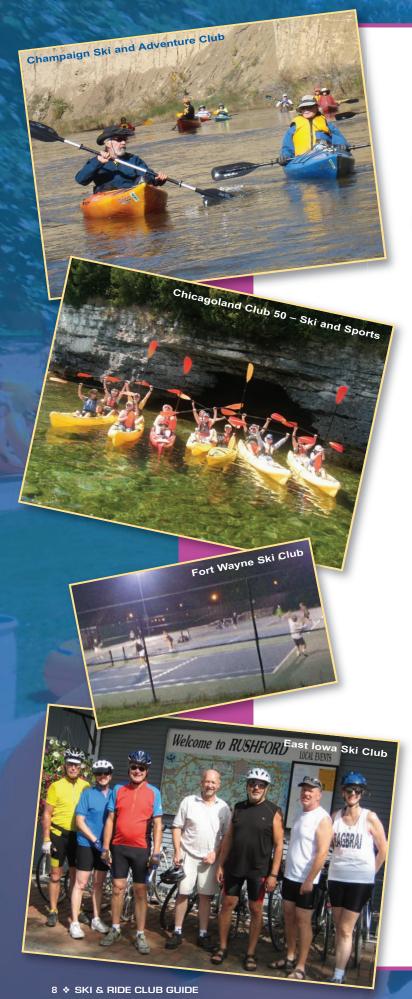
A mountain picnic at Snowmass was one of the week's memorable events.

room soup, chicken/potato/asparagus entree and decadent chocolate cake for dessert. Wine was served compliments of Aspen Skiing Company. Musical entertainment was provided by Antone's DJ services sponsored by Big Sky, Montana our destination for Chicago Week 2014. The evening and the trip ended all too soon and our tired but happy participants headed back to Denver for their flights home.

Special thanks to Winter Ski & Sport, Aspen Skiing Company, Viking Ski Shop, Big Sky, The Westin, The Gant, Destination Resorts and The Crestwood. Extra special thanks to our doormen for the week, Randy Baustert and Gary Kaufman.

Hope to see everyone in Big Sky next year, Feb. 22 to March 1. Until then, happy skiing! #





Summer Club ACTIVITIES

Taking advantage of warm weather, CMSC clubs keep just as active in summer as they do during ski season. Groups pack their calendars with outdoor events, from camping and canoe trips to bike rides, golf outings and picnics. The following reports from member clubs give a sampling of activities planned for the off season.

Champaign Ski and Adventure Club

The members of our club are gearing up for another season of canoe/kayak trips on local and out-of-state rivers. Besides paddling trips, our club enjoys bike rides on paved trails as well as mountain bike trails. Hiking is another favorite activity, and members are invited to bring their dogs. Camping and campfires is a very pleasurable experience in our club. We go as much as possible. Sometimes we enjoy rollerblading about town. To supplement these activities, we often incorporate happy hours, house parties and cookouts afterwards. (champaignskiclub.org)

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 to be the perfect choice for year-round activities. Summertime brings a host of activities: Golfers meet weekly for nine holes and lunch, bike rides each month May through September, canoeing/kayaking, sailing, concerts at Millennium Park and Ravinia, Cubs and Sox games, and a day at Arlington Park. We have a monthly Sunday evening dinner at different restaurants in Chicago or the suburbs. (ski50.com)

East Iowa Ski Club

The EISC has a busy off-season schedule. This summer the EISC will be attending a Cedar Rapids Titans indoor football game and Cedar Rapids Kernels baseball game. The annual golf outing this year is at Wildcat Golf Course in Shellsburg. The club does bike rides on the Cedar Valley and Cedar River trails regularly. There are day rides planned for the Cedar Falls/Waterloo Cedar Valley Trail and the Dubuque Heritage Trail. A combination bike ride/canoe/kayak trip on the Gandy Dancer Trail and St. Croix River is planned in August. (eastiowaskiclub.com)

Fort Wayne Ski Club

During the summer we will have various club-sponsored activities, including tennis league, kayaking and canoeing trips, a lake party, possible bike ride, golf outing and occasionally a member will have a party just for the fun of it. (fwsk.org)

Four Winds Ski and Social Club

We are an ALL-season family social club. Summer activities for 2013 include a Cinco de Mayo-themed banquet where we'll have year-end awards and reminisce about the year's past events. On June 22 is a camping and rafting trip to Shot Gun Eddie's along the Wolf River in Wisconsin. We will celebrate the Fourth of July with fireworks at Arlington Park Racecourse. There will be a picnic on Aug. 18 at the Norge Ski Jump. In September, we'll have a bike ride at Busse Woods. We have a Halloween party planned in October. (fourwindsski.org)

Chicago Friars Ski and Bike Club

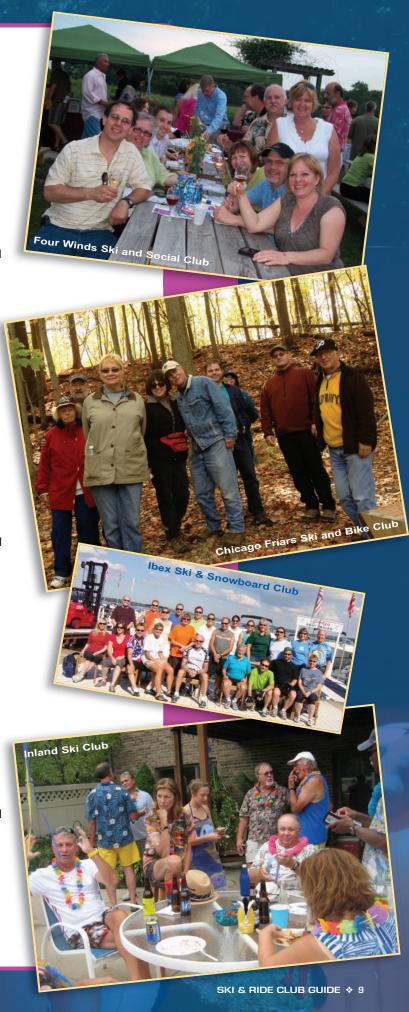
The Chicago Friars have no "off season;" we're just as active in the summer as we are in the winter. We'll have monthly Show 'n Go bike rides and will add more social activities as we go. Here are the trips we have planned: June 7-9 — Camping/canoeing, Chain O'Lakes, IN June 16 — Annual Picnic, Miami Woods, Chicago July 12-14 — Camping/biking, Sandhill Station, WI Aug. 2-4 — Bicycling, Amishland and Lakes, Indiana Aug. 16-18 — Camping/biking, Point Beach, WI Aug. 30-Sept. 2 — Cabin camping, Evergreen Lodge, WI Sept. 20-22 — Camping/rocket launching, Bong Rec Area, WI Oct. 11-13 — Cabin camping/hiking/canoeing, Chain O'Lakes, IN (chicagofriars.com)

Ibex Ski & Snowboard Club

Activities include biking, volleyball, golf, camping, dinners, Ravinia, wine tastings, plays, picnics, scuba and more. Our membership includes 140 adults over 21, with around 66% singles and 33% couples or families. Family membership allows children on designated trips and activities. Next ski season we'll have five Western or international trips, and one Midwest trip. (skiibex.com)

Inland Ski Club

As a member of the Indiana Harbor Athletic & Recreation Association (IAA), the Inland Ski Club provides its members with a host of activities in addition to skiing. The IAA organizes golf, tennis and bowling outings. It also schedules discounted event admissions to water parks, Great America, plays, concerts and sporting events. Our club's members enthusiastically look forward to our annual summer pool party to rekindle all those great skiing memories. Skiers or snowboarders in the Northwest Indiana area can join us to enjoy that sport, and to participate in other enjoyable activities year round. (inlandskiclub.com)



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Summer Club Activities

Joliet Ski Club

When the snow is gone and the skis are put away until next season, the Joliet Ski Club members aren't going to be sedentary. We are ready to bring out our bikes and ride the trails and swing our clubs on the links. We also like to gather for dinner at area restaurants, and have fun social events such as a Kentucky Derby party and a Halloween costume party. We might catch a Joliet Slammers baseball game and get some culture by seeing a play. Whatever the season, the Joliet Ski Club stays together and has a good time. (jolietskiclub.org)

Mississippi Valley Ski Club

The Mississippi Valley Ski Club of the Quad Cities sponsors several popular summer activities such as biking along the Mississippi River with a stop at a local ice cream shop, canoeing in the Maquoketa River followed by a nice meal at a local restaurant, and hiking at various parks in the Quad Cities area. Last year we hiked at Starved Rock, finishing with a German feast at the park. We try to schedule our hikes when there are other park activities. Pub nights, a club picnic and a wine tasting are also well received. (sites.google.com/site/qcskiclub)

Nomad Ski Club of Chicago, Inc.

The Nomad Ski Club's summer schedule includes: bicycling, picnics, camping, kayaking, volleyball and golf. We have monthly happy hours where we visit local establishments where members can keep in touch. For more information about our club, check out our website, friend us on Facebook or come to a meeting. You don't have to be a member to join us in social activities. We are a family club, everyone is welcome. You'll have a great time! (chicagonomads.com)

Piccadilly Ski Club

Whether you're an avid skier, boarder, socializer or traveler, Piccadilly Ski Club offers you the opportunity to do what you love. Piccadilly formed to focus on skiing but has expanded through the years to provide a year-round calendar of events. Dues are \$25/year for returning members, \$30 for new. Some activities for this summer include learning Zumba, attending Pirate Fest, First Folio, camping and paddleboat rides, biking, pub crawls, splash parks and other family events. Come to our Summer Picnic event Aug. 4 where we have trip sign-up, games, tons of food and fun. (piccadillyskiclub.com)

For Midwest ski clubs, the fun doesn't stop when summer rolls around. Calendar highlights range from bike rides and ball games to picnics, campouts and boat rides. The CMSC Annual Baseball Outing is a Sept. 14 White Sox game.

Pine Point Ski Club

Pine Point Ski Club is a ski & board club that stays active during the summer. 2013 activities include a biking/camping trip in central Wisconsin, dinner nights, Millennium Park concerts and mountain biking, both locally at Palos and in Wisconsin. Most members are between the ages of 30 and 60, are single, and live throughout the Chicago area with a concentration on the city's North Side lakefront neighborhoods. We hope you join us! (pinepointskiclub.com)

PowderDogs Ski and Snowboard Club

The PowderDogs will be having several summer activities again this year. August will bring the 2nd annual Beach Party/Picnic and Venetian Night on the Fox River hosted by our club couple who lives on the Fox River. It was a hit last year and should be a blast again. We are also in the planning stages of having a Race Night at Chicago Indoor Racing in May along with a picnic and paddleboard party in June or July. The summer looks like fun for the club.

(powderdogs.org)

Sanctuary Ski and Snowboard Club

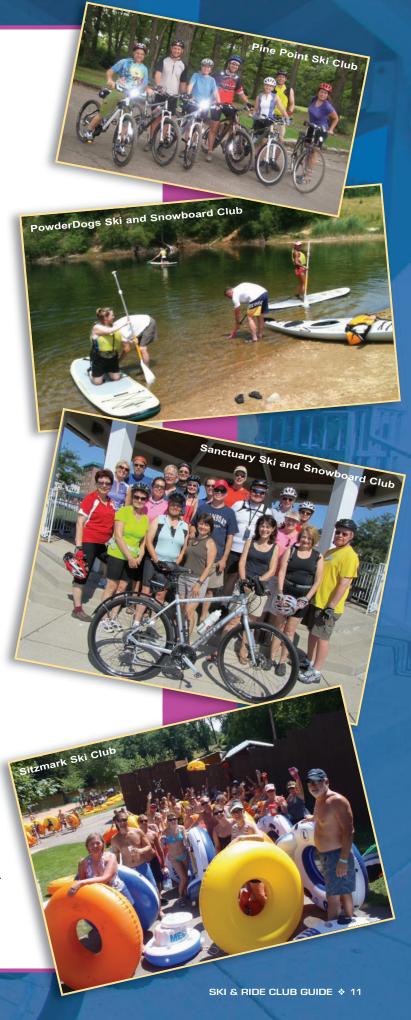
Sanctuary Ski Club was established in 1978 and has over 300 members. Not only are we a ski and snowboard club, but we have lots of other activities as well. We are a fun adult group (21 and over) that likes to ski, hike, bike and just have tons of fun together. Do you like biking, picnics, camping, concerts and golf outings? You will find a fun loving group to ski or just hang out with. We love making new friends, summer events, getting together and, of course, skiing and snowboarding. (skisanctuary.org)

Sitzmark Ski Club

Sitzmark Ski Club was established in 1946. We are a small to medium-sized club that has fun year-round. We welcome not just singles and couples but families also. Most of our trips and events are family-friendly. Some of our non-winter events are: golf outing, bike trips, Ravinia, monthly bar hops, camping and tubing in July, Oktoberfest party and our NEWCOMERS NIGHT in September. Come get to know us and hear about all our activities by attending our meetings. (sitzmarkskiclub.com)

Sitzmark Ski Club, Milwaukee

The Sitzmarks may be a ski club in name but we are also a social club. The off-season brings many opportunities for sports, music and fun. We have group bicycle rides two days each week. Our golf league plays at local county parks. There's volleyball, and we also field softball teams that play against other local ski clubs. If sports aren't your thing, meet up with the gang and enjoy Jazz in the Park, one of our camping trips, motorcycle tours, hiking, boating or dinner meet-ups at local bars and restaurants. Lack of snow never means a lack of fun. (sitzmark.org)





Summer Club Activities

Skunk Hollow Ski and Snowboard Club

Skunk Hollow members enjoy year-round activities, and we're planning some great summer and fall events for this year. Past activities have included camping, bike rides, outings to the city and more. Plans are underway for a fun summer with the Skunks hosting a pig roast in August and joining other clubs for a fun-filled day at the CMSC Picnic. October finds the Skunks enjoying the last of summer on the shores of Lake Michigan for a weekend getaway staying in beach cabins, bike riding, winery tours and just relaxing. (skunkhollowskiclub.com)

Sly Fox Ski Club

This year our first event scheduled is a Timber Rattlers tailgate and game behind home plate on Friday, June 21 at the Fox Cities Stadium in Appleton, WI. See our website for sign-up sheet. New members always welcome. Check our website for updates on additional summer events. (slyfoxskiclub.org)

Sno-Gophers Ski Club

The Sno-Gophers' and Junior Sno-Gophers' summer calendar includes the following events: End-of-Season Banquet at The Dorchester House, May 19; Tuesday biking on the lakefront leaving from La Rabida Children's Hospital near 6600 S. Lake Shore Drive; Annual Picnic at Dan Ryan Woods, Grove 8, near 8700 S. Western, July 21; "Let's Go Camping with the Sno-Gophers" at Indiana Beach Camp Resort, Aug. 16-18; and the annual ski show on Oct. 20. The intent is to provide enjoyment, meet new friends, and build camaraderie among members not just during the ski season but throughout the year. (sno-gophers.org)

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Snowseekers Ski Club

The Snowseekers enjoy the summer and fall with various social and outdoor activities. The highlight of the summer is our annual picnic in August. We also enjoy bike rides, an occasional visit to Ravinia, and other social outings and entertainment. Come join us as we complete plans for our Midwest and Western trips to be taken through the 2013-2014 ski season. Catch up on our activities and specific dates for meetings and events through our website.

(snowseekers.org)

Members of the Sitzmark, Skunk Hollow, Sno-Gophers and Snowseekers clubs fill their summer calendars with a variety of activities, including picnics and other social outings. The CMSC picnic is scheduled for Aug. 17 on the Norge grounds.

Alpine Racing

We made some big changes in the off season - the biggest change had to be the realignment of classes. This turned ou to be a great success. The competition in classes has never been closer in the history of CMSC racing. Most classes came down to the last week of racing to determine standings.

The competition was almost as tough as what Mother Nature gave us. Rescheduled races, poor snow conditions, cold to rain. But at the end of the day, each racer had a big smile on their face. This is just another great example of the people that make up the CMSC.

The awards parties were almost as exciting as the racing considering the raffle prizes given out this season. Such as trips to Colorado, Brule vacations and a plethora of ski equipment.

Keep in mind any input from you is welcome at our monthly committee meetings.

Last but not least, I would like to thank my friends/ committee members, all who helped on the hill and our racers who keep the competition strong!

Thanks, Pete Hill CMSC Racing Chair



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Destination Report: West

by Teri Kinney

A short jaunt from Milwaukee to Minneapolis, followed by a 2½-hour flight from Minneapolis to Kalispell and a 20-minute shuttle ride to Whitefish, and we arrived at the beautiful Lodge at Whitefish Lake. After a drink at the Boat Club Lounge while waiting for check-in time, we relaxed in our well-appointed room in the recently added Viking Lodge.

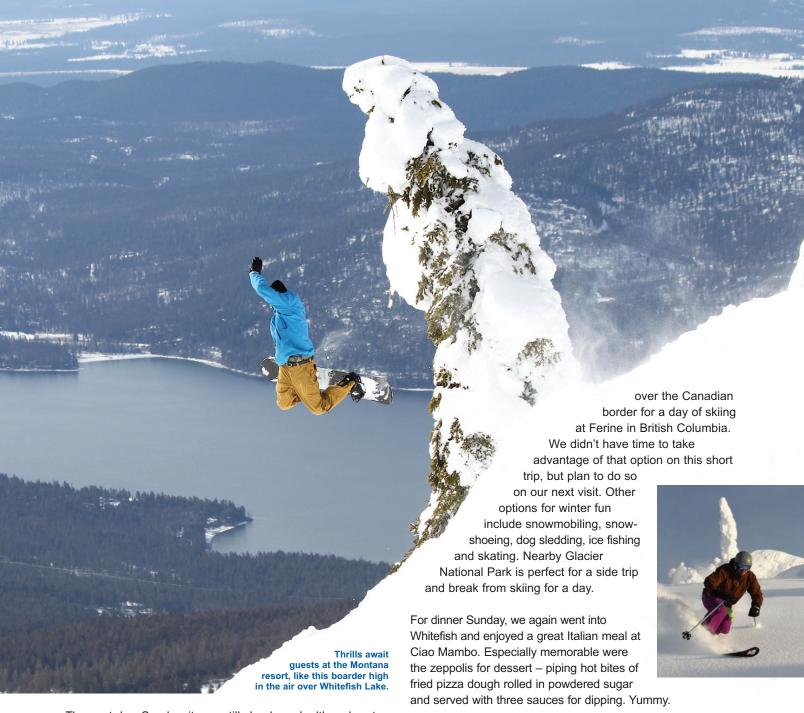
The Lodge at Whitefish Lake, situated on the shores of the lake, is the only 4-Diamond hotel in Montana. With hotel rooms, suites and condo options, The Lodge has something for everyone. The Boat Club Lounge & Restaurant offers a wonderful menu and wine list and boasts the best steaks in town, according to our shuttle driver, Sean. Lodge amenities include mini fridge, microwave and coffee maker in each room, two outdoor hot tubs, a full-service spa, fitness center and daily buffet breakfast at the Coffee Dock. Throughout our stay, the entire staff was extremely friendly and helpful.

A short shuttle ride put us on the main street of Whitefish, a typical Western ski town loaded with shops, bars and restaurants. We strolled along checking out shops and then surprise (!) ended up at the Black Star Brewery, where reasonably priced pints of their special brews are on tap. After a couple of pints and some NCAA basketball action on TV, we once again strolled the main street and had dinner at Latitude 48 (another of Sean's recommendations). Seated at the chef's counter, we had a delicious meal and enjoyed watching the chefs at work.

We woke to a few flurries on Saturday morning and increasing snowfall as we approached the base area at the mountain. The Lodge shuttle took us straight there (about a 10-minute ride), but there is also the regular, cleverly named S.N.O.W. (Shuttle Network of Whitefish) bus that stops at The Lodge at regularly scheduled intervals. The base area has changed a lot since I visited 10 years ago-it's a lot nicer than I remembered. The base lodge has plenty of seating, a fireplace, cafeteria and ambiance to go around. We hit the slopes, and although the snow was coming down pretty heavily by then, we enjoyed some nice cruisers with a bit of fresh snow for fun.

When we were thoroughly soaked and ready for lunch, we stopped at Hellroaring Saloon and Eatery on the mountain. Delicious food, a lively bar area and fun mountain atmosphere made us want to spend the afternoon there. A few more runs in the afternoon and then it was back to the Lodge to get cleaned up in time for our 7 p.m. reservation at the Boat Club. The steak and prime rib were every bit as good as Sean said, we found one of our favorite Napa Valley wines on the wine list, and we enjoyed watching the young Whitefish prom goers in their tuxes and gowns.





The next day, Sunday, it was still cloudy and, although not snowing when we first got to the mountain, it did start again while we were skiing. Big Mountain (as the mountain is called) boasts 3,000 skiable acres, with 98 trails that are 15% beginner, 35% intermediate and 50% advanced/expert. The beginner might not find a lot to ski here, but the green runs do have excellent views and are not just limited to the bottom portion of the mountain. Average snowfall is 300 inches annually. We thought we'd have spring conditions since it was St. Patrick's Day weekend, and although it wasn't too cold, the snow conditions were not the spring slush or corn snow at all. It was wonderful skiing in mid-March. As an added bonus with a base elevation of 4,464' and 6,817' at the summit, it's extremely manageable for us flatlanders!

In addition to skiing at Whitefish Mountain Resort, formerly Big Mountain, you can bring your passport and head north

Monday morning and time to pack for departure. It was still snowing in Whitefish but clear in Kalispell, and our flight took off without a hitch. Delayed two hours in Minneapolis, we finally made it home, exhausted but happy from our weekend getaway mini ski trip.

We'd recommend Whitefish and The Lodge at Whitefish for a private getaway trip, a group of friends or a club trip. It's a great area and has so much to offer.

Thanks to Shari Winter of Winter Ski & Sport for arranging our air travel, to Brian Averill, Edna White and the entire staff at The Lodge at Whitefish Lake. For more information about the resort area, log on to skiwhitefish.com.

(This report was based on a resort-sponsored FAM trip.)





Indianhead packages for kids include ski lessons and play time.

By Vanessa Day

The Upper Peninsula of Michigan offers an ideal setting for outdoor adventure sports of all kinds, no matter what the season. Nestled in the corner of the peninsula, just north of the Wisconsin border, are two elite playgrounds: Indianhead Mountain Resort and Blackjack Resort. These two destinations provide guests with a wide variety of athletic activities, most notably winter sports. However, there is also plenty of warm-weather experiences in which visitors can take part, along with plenty of shopping and dining options to enjoy.

Indianhead Mountain and Blackjack Mountain are both located in an area known as Big Snow Country, meaning it gets a whole lot of snow. This basically guarantees guests will have some of the best skiing and boarding conditions in the state.

Life on Mountain Time at Indianhead

Indianhead Mountain Resort, in Wakefield, is a laid-back mountain place where guests can get a true northwoods experience. It receives an annual snowfall of over 17 feet, making for ideal skiing and boarding terrain. The mountain has a 638-foot vertical and 30 open runs of varying skill levels. Experienced skiers and boarders can let loose on the intense black runs, while intermediates can hone their skills on the moderate blues, and beginners can take their time on the easier greens. There are also two terrain parks—Big Chief and Timber Wolf—for true thrill seekers. Nine lifts power access to the mountain and run almost all day from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., providing guests with plenty of time to explore every mogul.

Families with young kids can enjoy a nice day on the slopes thanks to Indianhead's premier ski school offerings. Parents and kids can both take part in private lessons that can last between one and a half hours and two and a half hours. There is also the option to sign up for all-day packages, which include rentals, beginner lessons for two hours and a lift pass. For the little ones in the group, Indianhead offers Kinder Care packages, which include ski lessons, lunch and play time. So while the kids get their bearings on the bunny hill, parents can venture off to more elite slopes.



Indianhead and Blackjack resorts lure skiers and boarders to the northwoods



The Upper Peninsula's Indianhead Mountain Resort offers nine lifts and tows.

For après-ski time, Indianhead offers a fine selection of shopping, dining and leisure options. Guests can take a swim in the resort's indoor pool or enjoy a relaxing massage. The Health & Recreation Club features racquetball and a fitness center for those looking to get a little more exercise. Groups can also partake in bonfires and guided moonlight snowshoeing adventures, which take place on most Saturday nights if weather permits. As far as dining, there is a number of casual places to grab a quick bite between runs, or more upscale establishments where guests can relax with a nice drink and enjoy panoramic views of the region.

Indianhead provides an assortment of lodging options that will fit anyone's needs and budgets. From mountaintop hotels to trailside condos, there is something for everyone at Indianhead.

When it comes to planning a trip, Indianhead's topof-the-line amenities are surprisingly reasonable. Ski groups of 20 or more can save on lodging, lift tickets and rentals. Lift ticket rates for adults start at \$50 for a one-day pass, and kids nine and under ski free with each paid adult ticket.

Cruise Through Snow Paradise at Blackjack

Situated just east of Indianhead, Blackjack Resort is yet another great spot for a ski vacation in Michigan. The mountain is nestled in the Black River Valley close to Bessemer, in an area known as the Lake Superior snowbelt. It gets an average annual snowfall of 210 inches, offers 126 skiable acres and 22 trails, with a vertical drop of 465 feet. Skiers and boarders of all levels can find a terrain they will like, as Blackjack offers advanced, intermediate and beginner trails. In the 2012/2013 season, Blackjack added two new glade trails, or tree skiing routes—The Wall is the first double black diamond expert trail while the Enchanted Forest is a popular kids wood run. The mountain also offers three terrain parks that cater to different skill levels



and are equipped with large rails, boxes and jibs for more advanced riders.

Blackjack believes that everyone should have the chance to enjoy skiing and snowboarding, which is why it makes its trails so accessible and affordable. The mountain claims to have some of the most competitive rates in the region. A one-day adult ticket costs \$47 (\$40 advance online price), and a ticket for juniors and seniors costs \$39 (\$33 advance online price). Kids 12 and under ski free with the purchase of an adult ticket. Blackjack also offers a special rate for those who prefer to ski during the week, called Midweek Madness, which includes a five-day pass for Monday through

Friday for \$75. Locals can also get special reduced rates almost every day when they show their driver's license, granting them a \$25 lift ticket and free rentals.

For those who have never tried skiing and boarding, Blackjack offers private, semi-private and group packages, linking guests up with experienced professionals. After a long day on the mountain, guests can relax in the sauna or hot tub at any of

the trailside lodgings, or unwind next to a wood-burning fireplace. Visitors can choose from five accommodations that are right on the mountain, each with fully furnished condos equipped with a full kitchen and cable. On-hill dining option Loggers Lounge offers great food and comforting drinks, which can be enjoyed while listening to live music on given nights.

Winter is peak season for Indianhead and Blackjack, but that does not mean that visitors cannot enjoy the resorts during the warm summer months. Guests can stay at the lodges year round and enjoy activities like fishing, hunting and biking. Visitors can hike around the mountain ranges

> and discover challenging trails and beautiful waterfalls. There is plenty of shopping in the region and a variety of summer events and festivals, especially around Fourth of July.

> Michigan's Upper Peninsula offers two of the state's best resorts, which provide guests with the perfect winter—or summer—getaway. (indianheadmtn.com, skiblackjack.com)



Thrills abound on Indianhead Mountain.

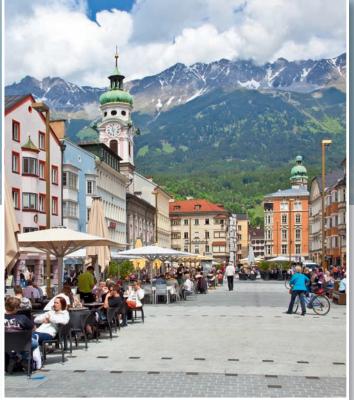
Innsbruck, Austria

By Matt Barry

Innsbruck is everything the world loves about Austria all in a single place: majestic alpine vistas, stately imperial palaces, quaint medieval buildings, hip modern culture and, of course, great skiing. The host of the 1964 and 1976 Winter Olympic Games, as well as two Winter Paralympics Games and the inaugural Winter Youth Olympics, Innsbruck is the premier ski destination in the Alps for those looking to combine Old World culture with action on the slopes.

Visitors can fly right into Innsbruck, as the airport is located only 2.5 miles outside of the city center. From the city, a free bus gives you access to all nine of the ski resorts in the region. Grouped under the name Olympia Skiworld because of the city's Olympic heritage, the resorts have between them some 200 trails, 90 lift facilities and over 500 kilometers of ski runs.

A particular highlight is Stubai Glacier, often considered to be one of the world's premier glacier skiing sites. The glacier generally offers the best natural snow of any of the Innsbruck resorts and, like many of the area's slopes, is located above the tree line, ensuring fewer obstacles and unobstructed views.





Innsbruck is both a smart ski destination and year-round tourist hotspot.

Also not to be missed is Axamer Lizum, site of all of the alpine downhill events in both 1964 and 1976 with the exception of the men's downhill. The village is also big with snowboarders because of its snow park, race course, jumps and rails. Patscherkofel hosted the men's downhill in both of Innsbruck's Olympics. The highlight is obviously that run, but Patscherkofel boasts a strong complement of other activities, including easy family slopes, scenic hiking trails, a snowboard park, and Olympic bobsledding. There are even floodlit slopes for night-time skiing.



The Innsbruck area is one of the major ski centers in the Austrian Alps.

Where Innsbruck really stands out, however, is mostly off the slopes. The city is over 800 years old and served as the capital of the Holy Roman Emperor Maximillian I in the late 15th century. Many of the city's most beautiful works of architecture, such as the imposing Hofkirche, date from around this time.

A great place to start your tour of the city is with a climb up the Stadtturm (city tower) to enjoy a sweeping panoramic view of the city and the surrounding mountains. Among other landmarks, you will likely be able to see the 2,657 copper tiles from the famous Golden Roof glistening in the sun.

At night, don your jacket and try your luck at the elegant Casino Innsbruck, regarded as one of the world's most beautiful. It boasts 22 gaming tables and 210 slot machines, as well as an assortment of cultural events. Alternatively, take in an opera at the world-famous Innsbruck Opera House.

While here you should make an effort to sample some traditional local fare, such as the Tyrolean dumplings or Sauerbrauten. Restaurants serving Tyrolean and Austrian cuisine, though, are outnumbered by a wide variety of eateries focusing on virtually every kind of food on the planet. The Italian places tend to be especially good, owing to Innsbruck's location close to the border with Italy. If you're looking for a smaller meal or just a quick snack, consider one of the numerous Wuerstelstandl (sausage carts) dotting the city.

The city also serves as an excellent home base for exploring the whole region. Tours are regularly run from Innsbruck to Vienna, Salzburg, Bavaria, and even Venice, making it easy to take day trips.

The Alps certainly don't lack for excellent ski options. But if you're looking for a combination of excitement on the slopes and history and culture away from them, you can't do better than Innsbruck. (innsbruck.info/en/)

Intermediate skiers make up the majority of visitors here, but there is a limited number of more challenging slopes for the advanced. Beginner slopes and lessons are available too.

The allure of unspoilt scenery and fresh powder away from the crowds helps attract fans of ski touring to the area. The Sellraintal-Kuhtai area is especially popular. Beginners can learn the ropes at the specially-built Mutterer Alm. The sporting possibilities don't end at skiing. Bobsledding, horseback riding, snowshoe hiking...if it takes place on snow or ice, Innsbruck likely offers it.



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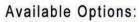
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26. Inland Ski Club



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2833 Highway Ave., Highland, IN 46322

1st Fri in Sep, Dec, and Apr

1st Tue from Oct-Nov and Jan-Mar, usually

President: Larry Douglas

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27. J's Ski & Snowboard Club

sites.google.com/site/jsskisnowboardclub Meetings: Elk Grove Village, IL 60007 President: Rov Nakagawa

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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: Pam Bishop

(815) 744-4611/pbalemap75@yahoo.com

29. Kirby Ski Club



www.kirbvskiclub.com Meetings: Barrington, IL President: Kirby Giampa

(847) 487-7065/kirby.giampa@hp.com

30. Lakeshore Ski and Sports Club

www.lssc.org

Meetings: Goose Island Brew Pub 1800 N. Clybourn Ave., Chicago, IL 60614 3rd Wed every month from 7:00-9:00pm

President: Rich E. Akin richard akin@yahoo.com Trip Chair: James E. Carroll

(312) 617-9503/western.director@lssc.org

31. Lincoln Park Ski Club

www.lincolnparkskiclub.org

Club E-Mail:

president@lincolnparkskiclub.org

Meetings: John Barlevcorn

658 W. Belden Ave., Chicago, IL 60614 3rd Tue from Oct-Apr at 7:30pm

32. Lincoln-Way Ski Club



President: Steve Gutschenritter (815) 469-6442/smgutsch@aol.com

Trip Chair: Ginny Pesa (815) 469-0123

33. Mississippi Valley Ski Club



Meetings: Bennigan's 909 Middle Rd., Bettendorf, IA 52722 2nd Mon every month at 6:00pm

President: James Knorr iimknorr@aol.com

34. Moraine Valley College Ski/Board Club

www.morainevalley.edu/skiclub Meetings: Moraine Valley CC Campus 10900 S. 88th Ave., Palos Hills, IL 60465

President: Michael J. Wade wade@morainevalley.edu



35. New Horizon Ski Club

President: Jerry Ramusack

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Trip Chair: Roberta Ramusack

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36. Nomad Ski Club of Chicago, Inc.

www.chicagonomads.com **Meetings:** Gaelic Park

6119 W. 147th St., Oak Forest, IL 60452

Meetings: Joe Daniels 12218 S. Harlem Ave.

12218 S. Harlem Ave.
Palos Heights, IL 60463

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1st Wed and 3rd Thu every month at 8:00pm, social meetings 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

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Club Contact: Ruth Sulda

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37. Norge Ski Club

www.norgeskiclub.com

Club E-Mail: norgeskiclub@yahoo.com

Meetings: Norge Ski Club

100 Ski Hill Rd., Fox River Grove, IL 60021 1st & 3rd Tue every month at 7:30pm

38. Northwest Nordic Ski Club

www.nwnordicskiclub.com

Club E-Mail: plmatzek@aol.com

Meetings: Northwest suburbs of Chicago

from Oct-Mar

39. Oak Park Ski Club

www.oakparkskiclub.org

Club E-Mail:

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Meetings: Champps Americana

955 E. Golf Rd., Schaumburg, IL 60173

2nd & 4th Tue every month for social at

7:30pm and business at 8:00pm **President:** Jackie Uznanski

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40. Omaha Ski Club

www.omahaskiclub.org

Club E-Mail: vp-trips@omahaskiclub.org Omaha. NE 68103

Meetings: 2nd Tue every month, usually

Trip Chair: Teri Hammon

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41. Peoria Ski Club

www.peoriaskiclub.info

Club E-Mail: psc@peoriaskiclub.info

Peoria, IL 61612 **Trip Chair:** Dave Durdel

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42. Piccadilly Ski Club

www.piccadillyskiclub.com

Club E-Mail:

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Meetings: Emmett's Ale House

5200 Main St., Downers Grove, IL 60515 1st & 3rd Thu from Aug-Apr and 1st Thu

only from May-Jul at 7:30pm

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43. Pine Point Ski Club

www.pinepointskiclub.com

Club E-Mail: info@pinepointskiclub.com

Meetings: O'Donovan's

2100 W. Irving Park Rd., Chicago, IL 60618

44. PowderDogs Ski and Snowboard Club

www.powderdogs.org

Club E-Mail: powderdogs@gmail.com Meetings: Lou Malnati's Pizzeria 8515 Redtail Dr., Crystal Lake, IL 60014 2nd Tue from Sep-Apr for social hour at 7:00pm, meeting at 8:00pm, and guest speaker or activity around 8:30pm

President: Rick Pasturczak

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45. Rivercity Ski Club

Meetings: Starved Rock Yacht Club Dee Bennett Rd., Ottawa, IL 61350 3rd Mon every month at 6:00pm President: James N. Boisso

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46. Rock Valley Ski Association

www.skirockford.org

Meetings: Thunder Bay Grille

7652 Potawatami Trl., Rockford, IL 61108 2nd & 4th Tue from Aug-May and 2nd Tue

only from Jun-Jul at 7:30pm **President:** Mary Babb-Richardson
(815) 629-2883/babs.mmgk@gmail.com **Club Contact:** Suzanne & Mike Bumbard

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47. Sanctuary Ski and Snowboard Club

www.skisanctuary.org

Meetings: West suburbs of Chicago

President: Cathy Draayers

(630) 241-3054/president@skisanctuary.org

Trip Chair: Jeff Sapinski

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48. Schussboomers Ski and Snowboard Club of Milwaukee



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Trip Chair: Jeff Marshall

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49. Sitzmark Ski Club



www.sitzmarkskiclub.com

Meetings: El Barrio Restaurant & Lounge

1122 Diamond Lake Rd. Mundelein. IL 60060

1st and 3rd Wed every month at 8:00pm in the lounge area, once a month from

Jun-Aug

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President: Lori Kushar

(847) 275-8216/lorikmeow@aol.com

50. Sitzmark Ski Club, Milwaukee

www.sitzmark.org

Meetings: Charcoal Grill & Rotisserie

15275 W. Greenfield Ave. New Berlin, WI 53151 **Meetings:** Greenfield Park

2028 S. 124th St., West Allis, WI 53227

2nd Fri for social at 7:30pm,

meeting at 8:00pm, and dancing from

9:00pm-12:00am

Charcoal Grill from Sep-May and

Greenfield Park in Aug Club Contact: Mark Harris harris 53051@yahoo.com

51. Skihasen Ski Club

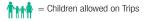
www.skihasenskiclub.org Sheboygan, WI 53081

Meetings: 2nd Wed from Sep-Apr

at 7:00pm

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

www.skunkhollowskiclub.com Meetings: Crave Bar and Food Joynt

1204 W. Rand Rd.

Arlington Heights, IL 60005

2nd Thu every month at 8:00pm and informal meetups at various locations on

4th Thu every month at 8:00pm President: Sally Griffith

(847) 882-2889

president@skunkhollowskiclub.com

53. Sly Fox Ski Club

www.slyfoxskiclub.org Meetings: The Bar

2435 W. Lyndale Dr., Appleton, WI 54914 1st & 3rd Wed from Oct-Apr at 7:00pm

President: Deb Bramschreiber president@slyfoxskiclub.org Trip Chair: Sam Fontaine samfont@athenet.net

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: Patricia Williams

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55. Snomads Ski and Snowboard Club

www.snomadwi.tripod.com Meetings: Buckets Pub

2031 Lathrop Ave., Racine, WI 53403 2nd Mon from Sep-Apr at 7:30pm

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Club Contact: Joan Vaughn

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56. Snowdrifters Ski Club

www.snowdrifters.net Meetings: Old Town Pub

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only from May-Sep at 7:30pm **President:** Chuck Salisbury

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Trip Chair: Frank Hodowal (630) 584-0868/fthod@aol.com

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www.snowseekers.org

Meetings: St. Lawrence Episcopal Church 125 W. Church St., Libertyville, IL 60048

2nd Tue from Sep-Apr at 7:00pm

Trip Chair: Stu Howes

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58. SouthEastern Wisconsin Adaptive Ski Program

www.sewasp.org

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59. Springfield Ski Club

www.sprinafieldskiclub.ora

Club E-Mail:

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skierdevelopment@springfieldskiclub.org

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Club Contact: Michael Jovce

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60. St. Louis Ski Club

www.stlouisskiclub.com

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Trip Chair: Tom Coscia

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61. SUD's Social Club

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62. Tatry Ski Club

www.tatryskiclub.com

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63. Team Trent

www.teamtrent.net

Meetings: South suburbs of Chicago

President: Trent Wessler trent@teamtrent.net

64. Thunderbird Ski Club

www.tbirdskiclub.com Meetings: Broadcast Booth

6550 Allen Rd., Allen Park, MI 48101

President: Jim Michon

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65. Toledo Ski Club

www.toledoskiclub.net

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occur on chair lifts Trip Chair: Rick Popiolek rickpopiolek@gmail.com

66. Vagabond Ski & Social Club of Milwaukee

www.vagabondskiclub.com Club E-Mail: ron@rspr.com

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8:30pm

67. Viking Ski Club

www.meetup.com/viking-ski-club Meetings: Villa Macri Ristorante 225 Toscana Blvd., Granger, IN 46615 4th Tue every month at 7:00pm **President:** Larry Robertson

68. Wild Bunch Ski Club

Irobertson1107@comcast.net

www.skiwildbunch.com

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1630 N. Essington Rd., Joliet, IL 60435

2nd Thu every month at 9:00pm

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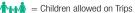
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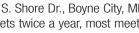














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