

December, 2002

Current Events

Dec 3 (Tue) Board Meeting, McCall Press 3219 Leavenworth. 6:30pm. All members welcome.

Dec 8 (Sun) Omaha Ski Club Holiday Party. Fox and Hound at 120th & Dodge. 6-9pm. Please bring a plate of cookies to share and look for us in one of the side rooms. Menus will be available for those wanting a bite to eat.

Future Events

Jan 7 (Tue) Board Meeting, McCall Press 3219 Leavenworth. 6:00pm. All members welcome.

Jan 7 (Tue) Membership Meeting/Pre-Trip Party for the USRA Keystone trip. Upstream Brewing Company, 514 So. 11th, 7:30 p.m.

Jan 12 (Sun) Keystone/USRSA begins

Sally Dier, Vice-President Activities

Scenes from Park City/USRSA 2002



Don, Pat, Ellen, Terri, Harvey, Merry on the slopes



OSC Members at the USRSA Awards Banquet

DEADLINES NEAR FOR TAHOE AND FSA/COPPER MOUNTAIN TRIPS--SEE INSIDE FOR MORE DETAILS

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LAKE TAHOE TRIP (February 8-15, 2003)

Join us for a ski adventure in Lake Tahoe! Enjoy 5 days of skiing: **Heavenly (2 days), Sierra at Tahoe, Kirkwood and Northstar with an optional day at Squaw Valley.** This is a great week of skiing and socializing for the low price of \$995.00. Your cost includes lodging, airfare, ground transportation, shuttle busses to the ski areas and lift tickets. We are planning an optional day to Squaw Valley. Take the boat across the lake, have breakfast, catch a shuttle bus to Squaw Valley and ski all day. On the return trip, we will take the paddle boat back, complete with dinner and a cash bar, live entertainment and dancing. If you are interested in this option, the additional cost is \$83.00.

Time is running out... This trip is filling fast. Send your deposit to Teri Hammon no later than November 30th. After this time, you will be put on a waiting list. There are no guarantees that we will be able to get more rooms or airfare. If you need more information, contact Teri Hammon at 571-4517.

We will cancel the remaining spots (condos and airfare) by the end of November. All payments, including the option, are due by December 1st.



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(Above) USRSA Apres-Ski Party-Park City, January 2002

(Right) Don and Brian after competing in USRSA–Park City, January 2002



OMAHA SKI CLUB TRIP POLICIES

- 1) Trip captain is the final authority on and during the trip.
- 2) Club members will conduct themselves in a mature manner at all times.
- 3) There will be a \$10.00 charge on any returned check. TRIP SIGN-UP, DEPOSITS AND PAYMENTS
- 4) Only members in good standing with dues currently paid to the Omaha Ski Club may sign up for a trip. Children under the age of 19 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian on the trip. A trip application for a child under the age of 19 must be signed by a parent or guardian of the child.
- 5) By signing up for a trip a member agrees to pay the Club the full cost of the trip applied for, subject to the provisions for timely cancellation in item 7) below. Each trip will have its own trip deposit and payment schedule to be set by the trip committee. A deposit is required to sign up for a trip. Failure to meet the payment schedule may result in automatic cancellation from the trip subject to the cancellation fee in item 7) below.
- 6) When a trip is full the trip captain will start a waiting list. To be placed on the waiting list a member must fill out and sign a trip application and pay the standard deposit for that trip. Waiting list members must meet the payment schedules when moving to the confirmed lists.

CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS

7) Unless otherwise listed in individual trip information, cancellations prior to 60 days before the trip departs will

- result in a cancellation fee of \$50.00; cancellations less than 60 days before the trip departs will result in a cancellation fee of \$100.00 if the trip goes full, or liability for the full cost of the trip if the trip does not go full. Any cancellation fees or penalties may first be deducted from payments the member made for the trip.
- 8) Transferring from the waiting list on one trip to a confirmed list on another trip will be done with no cancellation fee. Refusal to move from the waiting list to the confirmed list will constitute automatic cancellation subject to the cancellation fee in item 9) above.
- 9) If a trip is cancelled by the club, all money paid to the club by a member for that trip will be refunded.
- 10) All members on the waiting list when the trip departs will receive a full refund.
- 11) No refunds will be made until after the trip returns.

BUS TRIPS

- 12) Smoking on buses is prohibited.
- 13) Any time the bus stops en route to its destination, passengers leaving the bus will do so at their own risk.
- 14) The Omaha Ski Club will not provide alcoholic beverages for any bus trip. If any members wish to consume alcoholic beverages on the trip, they can do so at their own expense, and assume all risks and liabilities associated with such consumption.

COPPER MOUNTAIN COLORADO FSA FLATLANDS SKI ASSOCIATION

January 29-February 2, 2003

Copper Mountain is great place to have fun on the snow. Over the past few years Copper Mountain has invested nearly \$400 million, in what is the largest single ski area improvements in the state of Colorado. Their projected opening day is November 2, 2002. To guarantee the snow experience they have added 110 acres of coverage bringing the total acreage to 380 acres of terrain that has snowmaking capabilities. The vertical drop is 2,601 feet with a peak elevation of 12,313 feet. There are 22 lifts to take you to 118 runs that can satisfy your daily desire. One six person, high-speed lift, (called the Super Bee), four high-speed quads, and 17 miscellaneous triple and double chairs and beginner lifts to comfortably ease or whisk you up the mountain. Many other services are available including lessons and programs for pre-kindergarten to the over the hill gang. For snowboarding enthusiasts there are two Halfpipes and two Terrain Parks.

Flatlands Ski Association (FSA) trip includes an FSA welcome party, snowboard and ski racing with an awards banquet on the last evening. An Omaha Ski Club (OSC) welcome party will also be provided. This is recreational racing, no black and blue marks allowed. Recreational racing is for everyone and all ability and skill levels. Funny thing how it challenges one to turn left and turn right and go straight. Last season was my first experience with this trip. It was great. This was a trip with a variety of skiing. Ski with the friends and then ski in the gates. This left me with a need to go back for more.

This is a drive out trip, which includes four nights lodging at the Friso Dillon Best Western complete with hot tub and pool. The lift ticket prices are as follows:

	FSA Rate	Regular Rate
Daily Rate	36.80	57.00
3 of 4 day Ticket	107.40	156.00
4 of 5 day Ticket	133.60	196.00
5 of 6 day Ticket	159.00	245.00
6 of 7 day Ticket	186.00	294.00

Copper Mountain and Friso are easy to find and not far off the main road. Drive out trips mean one can leave and return whenever one so desires. Car-pooling is an option for those that would like to share travel costs. Having your vehicle there will give you convenient access to many restaurants and pubs from Copper Mountain to Keystone with Dillon, Frisco, and Silverthorne in-between. There is extensive shuttle service available as well, so there is no reason to sit around.

The Copper Mountain trip costs \$295.00 plus lift tickets. Pretty good price for a Colorado ski trip. For more information, or to sign up, contact Trip Captains Craig and Barb Larson, at 402-991-6997, craig.j.larson@cox.net.



Overview of Trips for 2002-2003 Ski Season

KEYSTONE, CO – USRSA

\$595

January 12-19

Seven Nights Condo Lodging, USRSA & OSC Welcome Party, 4 Aspre Ski Parties, 4 Races (all skill levels), Souvenir T-shirt, Souvenir Ski Week Pin, Hot Tub at Condos, Optional Awards Banquet, Discounted Lift Tickets Available, Drive Out Trip.

Trip Captain: Dave Lawler

daveljr@juno.com

328-9278

COPPER MOUNTAIN, CO - FSA \$295

Jan. 29 - Feb. 2

Four Nights Lodging at Frisco Best Western, FSA Welcome Party, OSC Welcome Party, Awards Banquet, Racing: All skill levels, Indoor Pool and Jacuzzi, Drive Out Trip

Trip Captains: Craig and Barb Larson

Craig.J.Larson@cox.net

991-6997

LAKE TAHOE, NV

\$995

February 8-15

Seven Nights Lodging at Lakeside Village Condos, Round-trip Air and Ground Transfers Included, 5 Day Lifts Included at Four Different Resorts, Welcome Party, Continental Breakfast, Hot Tub at Condos, one mile to casinos (free shuttle).

Trip Captain: Teri Hammon

dragonsrock@msn.com

571-4517

MONARCH, CO

\$210

March 1 - 4

Four Nights Lodging at Monarch Mountain Lodge, OSC Welcome Party, Discounted lift tickets available, Hot Tub and Pool, Drive Out Trip

Trip Captain: Ron Bechdolt

vp-trips@omahaskiclub.org

498-8969

SKI COOPER, CO

\$140 & up

March 6 - 9

3 Nights Lodging at the Historic Delaware Hotel (with various room configurations available, OSC Welcome Party, Hot Breakfast Included, Hot Tub, Drive Out Trip

Trip Captain: Sally Dier

aspendream@juno.com

493-6056

BIG SKY, MT

\$1,095

March 22 - 29

Seven Nights Condo Lodging, Round Trip Air and Ground Transfers Included, 4 days lift ticket included (additional day discounts), Chicago Metro Ski Council (CMSC) Welcome Party, OSC Welcome Party, Mountain Picnic, Farewell Party, Racing (all skill levels),

Trip Captains:

Ellen Forster & Michelle Hargis ellnfrstr@aol.com or MchllHrgs@aol.com

731-6245

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As the ski season rapidly approaches. my thoughts are of fresh snow and the rush I always get on the first run of the year. The weird thing about this is that I am thinking about this from the deck of a cruise ship in the Caribbean Sea. I am setting in a deck chair, in 85 degree weather, watching girls in skimpy suits, thinking about skiing. It had to be the sun. When I realized this, I just smiled and closed my eyes, I found myself on my favorite run at the top of the Big Burn in Snowmass. I had just started my run and was two or three turns in when I was jolted back to reality by someone asking me if I wanted another rum special of the day. How dare someone interrupt such a wonderful dream. I guess he thought that because my glass was empty I needed a refill. He was right, I did. As you might have guessed by now I am talking about the Carnival cruise that a group of us just went on. There were eighteen in our group and all but four of them are club members. Seven days

of fun in the sun. Everyone had a wonderful time. I highly recommend it if you are really stressed out. It worked great for me until the last day when we got our bill. Joking aside, taking a cruise is a wonderful way to relax and see how people live in a part of the world where they will probably never see snow. Our guide in San Juan said it had gotten really cold there a couple of years back. All the way down in the low sixties. He said everyone was freezing to death. I laughed and told him we went skiing last year and it was twenty-seven below. He looked at me for a moment and then asked if that was the low, I replied no that that was the high for the day. He rolled his eyes and said only Americans are crazy enough to go skiing when it was that cold. I just smiled because you know and I know layering is the key to staying warm, right?

Changing the subject back to the coming ski season. Our first trip to

Keystone is now full and ready to go. Dave Lawler, the trip captain, is working out all of the final details. This is our annual USRSA trip. In the past the USRSA trip has been one of our biggest trips, but since we go to Colorado all the time it was a hard trip to sell this year. We hope that next year they pick a major resort in the far West or possibly Canada. Dave will be giving them our recommendations at the meeting being held during the trip.

As for the rest of the trips, there is still space available at this time but we will be cutting off both the FSA trip to Copper Mt. and the to Lake Tahoe trips shortly. If you are planning on going on either of those trips, contact the trip captains ASAP. Our deadline to cancel extra space is in early December for both of those trips. W There are no guarantees that we can

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OMAHA SKI CLUB LOGO MERCHANDISE ORDER FORM

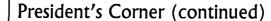
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get any rooms or airline spots back once we cancel them. For those of you who are already signed up for you make your deposits on time. We need your money to be paid on time so that we have the funds to make all of our required payments for condos and lift tickets. Check to see if you are paid up to the date on your deposit schedule for each trip.

Phil Bintz will be putting in another order for Club tee shirts shortly. If you want one let Phil or myself know so that we can get you the size and style that you want. We will not be ordering any more shirts after this until we use up what we have in stock.

Last but not of least importance is your membership. Check with our new membership person Barb Larson if you don't know if your membership is current. The current year runs from June 1st until May 31 of next year. If your membership is not paid you should not plan on attending any club functions. New members are welcome to all social meeting but are expected to pay their dues if they plan on attending any social activities other than the monthly meeting. We need your dues to help offset the cost of publishing this monthly newsletter, so pay up if you are not current.

Come out and join us for some fun at one of our club events. You can meet some new friends, you never know when the next one might be some one special, like me!

Do Dragons Rock? Always!

Pat McCall

President, OSC

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