



January, 2003

Scenes from Steamboat/FSA, February 2002



Waiting at the top of the race course

Current Events

Jan 7 (Tue) Board Meeting,
McCall Press 3219 Leavenworth.
6:30pm. 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 23 (Thu) Membership Meeting/Pre-trip party for FSA Copper Mtn trip. Jake and Elwoods, 129th and Maple (Eagle Run Square) Time 7:00 pm

Future Events

Feb 4 (Tue) Board Meeting,
McCall Press 3219 Leavenworth.
6:00 pm All members welcome.

Feb 4 (Tue) Post-trip party for USRSA and Pre-trip party for Lake Tahoe.

Senor Matias, 90th and Arbor. Time 7:30 pm. Bring your pictures to share.

Sally Dier, Vice-President Activities



Pat, Brian and Don lunching on the deck

Limited lodging still available for Tahoe-see inside for details!!

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LAKE TAHOE TRIP (February 8-15, 2003)

ONLY 3 SPOTS LEFT

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.

If you are interested, please contact Teri Hammon as soon as possible at 571-4517. Airfare prices were guaranteed through December 1, 2002 and may be subject to a price increase. There is still condo room available through January 8, 2003.

Experience Monarch in March

Located on the Continental Divide in the Swatch Range, just 117 miles West of Colorado Springs, Monarch has something for everyone. With 670 acres of skable terrain, Monarch offers 54 trails, the longest run being one mile long! Best part is that it has Approximately 350+ inches 100% natural snowfall annually. Lodging is just 3½ miles away at the Monarch Mountain Lodge, with two per room (discounts for families). Parking is right at the base of the slopes, so you can get from your room to the slopes in a matter of minutes.

This trip begins on Saturday, March 1, and includes lodging for four nights. We've scheduled this trip on different days of the week than usual, so club members could go from here to the Ski Cooper trip if they would like. You could conceivably ski nine days if you went on both trips.

Ron Bechdolt, Trip Captain 498-8969
vp-trips@omahaskiclub.org

PRESIDENTS CORNER

As 2002 comes to a close, the board and committee members want to wish all of you a Happy New Year! The 2003 ski season will be under way shortly with our first trip of the year going out to Keystone, Colorado. Daily races and nightly après ski parties will make this annual USRSA trip a lot of fun. The Keystone and Copper Mountain FSA trips are set to go. The Lake Tahoe trip filled up quickly, but there might still be a spot or two available. (Check with Teri Hammon for any information on this trip.) There is space available for both Monarch and Ski Cooper at this time. (Check with the trip captains for those trips if you are interested in going.) We will shortly be locking in space for both of these trips, don't wait or you might get left behind. Our last scheduled trip of the year to Big

Sky, MT, might still have some space available. (Check with Ellen Forster, the trip captain, to find out the status of this trip.) Watch the February newsletter for a possible early April trip. We will wait and see what kind of season ending deals show up via email. The April trips in the past have been good sellers. The weather is usually mild and the snow conditions pretty good. What you don't have are lift lines. Most of the Denver people are playing golf or softball at that time of the year. Those of us who are hard core ski bums will go just about any where to get that last run of the year in. I'll let you know as soon as possible on what we are doing with this trip so that you can make plans.

Looking back on this year, the club has added a lot of non-skiing

activities to our schedule. Everything from volleyball to weekly bicycle rides. We had a number of social outings, parties and just fun things to do together as a group. We will continue to add things next year to help make the Omaha Ski Club a year-round social group, not just a ski club. Looking over the current roster for this year I noticed a number of names that I did not recognize. That is not necessarily a bad thing. We are a fluid group. People move away (hopefully somewhere with mountains) and new people move here from someplace else and are looking for a group of people who like to ski as much as they do. Welcome to all of you who are new to our group. I hope you all

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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.

**OMAHA SKI CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
JUNE 2002 - MAY 2003**

MEMBERSHIP STATUS: NEW ___ RENEWAL ___ FAMILY \$25 ___ SINGLE \$22 ___

LIST MEMBER INFORMATION - - - PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

	FIRST NAME	M.I.	LAST NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	SEX
1.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
6.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____
 HOME PH. _____ WORK PH. _____
 EMAIL _____ (check this box if ok to publish e-mail address in club directory)
 COMMENTS _____

REFERRED BY _____
NOTE: BY SIGNING THIS APPLICATION I RELIEVE THE OMAHA SKI CLUB, INC. (OSC) OF ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR ACCIDENT OR INJURY I INCUR WHILE PARTICIPATING IN ANY OSC ACTIVITIES. I ALSO CERTIFY THAT I AM OF LEGAL DRINKING AGE IN THE STATE OF NEBRASKA.

DATE _____ SIGNATURE (MUST BE SIGNED AND DATED) _____
 [OSC USE ONLY] MEMBERSHIP NO. _____ BD. _____ TR. _____ NL. _____

TRIP APPLICATION

(Required for each individual on the trip) (PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY)



Trip Destination _____ Trip Dates _____

	FIRST NAME	M.I.	LAST NAME	DATE OF
BIRTH	_____	_____	_____	_____
SEX	_____	_____	_____	_____
ADDRESS	_____			
CITY	_____	STATE	_____	ZIP CODE _____
HOME PH.	_____	WORK PH.	_____	
E-MAIL	_____	CELL PH.	_____	
EMERGENCY CONTACT: Name	_____			Phone _____

I Prefer to Room With _____ OTHER INFO _____

THE OMAHA SKI CLUB MEMBER SIGNING THIS APPLICATION AGREES AS FOLLOWS:

The member has read the OSC trip policies on the reverse side of this application and understands and agrees to be bound by them as a condition of participation in this trip. The member further agrees that the club, its directors or committee chairmen shall bear no financial responsibility to members in the event of a delayed departure or return of a trip, or for cancellation of a trip except as provided in items 7 through 10 of the trip policies, nor shall they be liable for any bodily injury, property damage, loss of personal property, or death sustained by or caused by any member on a trip. Those individuals causing property damage at the lodges, condos, busses, ski areas, etc. shall bear the full legal and financial responsibility for the damages. It is a condition of membership in the club that any individual shall be deemed to have accepted these responsibilities and limitations of liability as a consideration of joining the club and participating in this trip.

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____
 [osc use only] deposit: amount paid _____ date _____ ck or rcpt no _____

Remaining Trips for 2002-2003 Ski Season

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 Captain:

Ellen Forster ellnfrstr@aol.com

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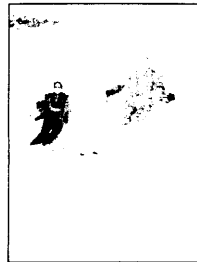
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Moving?

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President's Corner (continued)

get a chance to ski on one of our trips this year. If not there are always plenty of pictures of the trips that you can see at our monthly meeting. I think our club does well at making new members feel welcome. It is pretty easy since anyone joining our ski club probably really enjoys the outdoors as much as the rest of us do.

Our local ski hill over in Crescent, Iowa is now open for the season. (Short as it is around here.) Quite a number of our club members are either patrollers or instructors over there. If you have a little free time on the weekend and you want to get you ski legs under you before you go out on one of our trips, stop over and catch a few runs. Not much vertical but there is a great view of the Omaha skyline from the top of the lift at night. It is a great place to work on your style so that you will look really great on that first run in Colorado.

In closing, I would like to put a bug in your ear. We will have three positions open this coming year on the board. Now is the time to start thinking about helping out the club by volunteering some of your time. There is no complaining about how the club is run if you don't offer to help once in a while. Most of us on the board are here year after year because no one else ever runs for office. It would be nice to see some new faces with some fresh ideas and suggestions. Enough said!

The dragons and I wish all of you a Happy New Year!

Pat McCall, President, OSC

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