



January 2019 Update

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Two trips left

December 8-11 – Copper Mountain, CO, drive-out – completed
December 28 to January 2 – Powderhorn, CO, drive out - cancelled
January 20 to 27 – Steamboat, CO, drive out – FSA trip - completed
February 20 to 24 – Winter Park, CO, drive out - flyer page 7
March 9 to 16 – Alta/Snowbird/Brighton/Solitude, UT fly out - flyer page 8

Upcoming Events

February 5th (Tuesday) 7:00 p.m.

Board Meeting

Peony Park Hy-Vee #5, 7910 Cass St, Omaha

At the north end of 78th St beyond Cass St. All members welcome,

February 10th (Sunday) 5:00 p.m.

Social Gathering, Steamboat Post-Trip Party and Winter Park Pre-Trip Party

Outback Steakhouse, 7605 Cass St, Omaha

On the south side of Cass St near 76th St. Everyone welcome.

February 20th (Wednesday) to February 24th (Sunday)

Winter Park Trip

See the trip flyer on page 7.

March 5th (Tuesday) 7:00 p.m.

Board Meeting

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At the north end of 78th St beyond Cass St. All members welcome.

March 7th (Thursday) 7:00 p.m.

Social Gathering, Winter Park Post-Trip Party and Utah Pre-Trip Party

Cheddar's Scratch Kitchen, 12152 L St, Omaha

On the north side of L St a little west of 120th St. Everyone welcome.

March 9th (Saturday) to March 16th (Saturday)

Utah Trip

See the trip flyer on page 8.

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New Members

The Omaha Ski Club welcomes the following new members:
Dan and Janice Hitzfelder

Renewal Members

The Omaha Ski Club welcomes the following renewal members:
Kim Lee

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Selva Val Gardena 2019

Two Omaha Ski Club members, Ben and Mark, participated in this season's Chicago Metropolitan Ski Council (CMSC) Europe ski trip to Selva Val Gardena, Italy, and the extension to Florence, Italy, from Friday, January 11th to Tuesday, January 22nd. Selva is in far northeastern Italy near the Austrian border (red marking on map at right). It's part of a network of many ski areas in the Italian Dolomites section of the southern Alps. Some of the areas are interconnected and some are not. We spent six days skiing, on January 13th through the 18th; we spent the 19th through the 21st in Florence and flew back on the 22nd. CMSC is a group of over 70 ski clubs; 75 of their members, including the two Omaha Ski Club skiers, were on the trip. The group stayed in the large and pleasant Oswald hotel while in Selva.



Getting to Selva was time-consuming. Ben began the process with a one-hour flight on American from Omaha to Chicago's O'Hare airport; Mark drove from Colorado Springs to Denver and then had a 2-hour United flight to Chicago. Once at O'Hare, we picked up our luggage, did a bag drag to terminal 1 where we met the rest of the CMSC skiers, then checked in again at Lufthansa. We then got a 9-hour flight to Munich and then a 5-hour bus ride to Selva. Along the way, we shifted time zones; Italy is 7 hours ahead of Omaha and 8 hours ahead of Colorado. We didn't get to Selva until 8 in the evening and had a late dinner at 9. Our room had a nice view.



Selva is in the South Tyrol province of Italy, which was originally part of Austria until after the end of World War I. Due to that history, many people in the area speak German as well as Italian. The local signs were all in Italian and German with a little English added for the tourists. The town was busy and fairly crowded. We took a short bus ride to the nearby gondola each morning.

We skied six days at several of the local ski areas in a wide variety of weather and snow conditions. As on past CMSC Europe trips, we spent most of the time skiing with a group of experienced people who were primarily advanced skiers. We used a local ski school guide on Monday, the 14th and Wednesday, the 16th to help us navigate the complex system of local lifts and ski areas.

We began our first skiing day, Sunday the 13th, with variably cloudy conditions. We stayed in the local area. The snow conditions were fairly good – the area got some new snow the previous evening and also the following evening. The ski area did a good job of grooming the slopes, but the heavy crowds did cause some icy slopes and small moguls by the middle of the afternoon. That night, and every following night, we had dinner at the hotel; it was included in the price of the trip. Breakfast at the hotel was also included.

The following day, Monday the 14th had excellent weather - mostly clear and cool. We used the services of a local ski school guide to lead us through the one of the two local "Sellaronda" circuits of lifts and ski areas. We covered a lot of terrain and had a long, tiring and successful ski day.



The following day, Tuesday the 15th, had continued cool and clear weather. We skied east towards Cortina to the nearby Corvara and Castello areas and back. We were able to use a horse-drawn rope tow and saw ice climbers on a frozen waterfall.



Wednesday, the 16th, was a warm clear bluebird day with light winds - perfect conditions. The slopes got crowded. We used the services of a local guide again to get us through many different lifts and trails to the Marmolada peak a good distance away. Getting to the top of the peak required waiting in a half hour lift line for a double chair, then in another half hour line for the first in a series of 3 (three!) successive trams to get to the top. This mountain had a base of about 4,500 feet and a summit of about 10,600 feet, or over 6,000 feet of vertical. We had a great view from the top and long, icy, bumpy crowded runs back down off it.



Thursday, the 17th was variably cloudy and foggy with a few flurries. We skied west to access the Ortisei area. This area was not directly connected and required a quarter mile walk through an old town to access the lifts on the other side. Once there, we found pleasant, rolling terrain, excellent conditions, nice scenery and no crowds. We caught a bus back to Selva at the end of the day.



Our last skiing day was Friday, the 18th. This was another clear and cool day with moderate winds. We stuck to the main runs near and to the east of Selva and had a relaxing day in nice conditions.



On Saturday, the 19th, we both caught a bus to Florence for the 3-day tour extension. This extension was set up for those skiers who wanted to see tourist attractions in a nearby city. We stayed at a large hotel on the old city part of Florence and saw lots of unusual ancient buildings, museums, old paintings and statues. We spent the next two days touring Florence and also did a little shopping for souvenirs.



We flew out of the Florence airport Tuesday morning on the 22nd. Ben then had a short flight on Swiss to their hub in Zurich followed by a 9-hour flight on Swiss back to Chicago O'Hare. Mark had a short flight on Lufthansa to their hub in Frankfurt followed by a 9-hour flight on Lufthansa, also back to Chicago. It was snowing in Chicago which slowed things down a bit. Ben then took a United flight back to Omaha, and Mark took a United flight back to Denver and drove back to Colorado Springs. We both eventually made it home fine. A good trip!
Ben Novograd

Winter Park Colorado February 20-24, 2019

Trip Cost: \$405

Drive-out

Lift tickets additional



Join us for a drive-out trip to Winter Park or take the train if you wish. We will stay in town, close to shops, restaurants and the bus line. This trip includes:

- 4 nights lodging at the Best Western Alpenglo Lodge, located at 78665 US Hwy 40 in downtown Winter Park Colorado 2.9 miles from the ski area, with the free bus stop across the street from the hotel for pick-up and drop-off is near the hotel entrance. There is free parking and Wi-Fi.
- Free hot/cold breakfast buffet every morning at the hotel
- Refrigerator and microwave in each room
- Elevator in the hotel (hotel is three levels)
- Indoor hot tub
- Welcome Party on Thursday evening.
- Two queen beds in each room
- Check-In time is 4 PM, Check-out is 11 AM
- Lift tickets are NOT included, these can be purchased on your own or use your IKON pass.

If taking the train, the bus takes you from the station to the hotel. Luggage can be stored until the room is available, if you want to ski that day.

Trip Captain: Teri Hammon
Phone: (402) 571-4517
Mobile: (402) 680-0971
Email: dragonsrock@cox.net

Membership is required in either the Omaha Ski Club or one of our reciprocal membership clubs. No additional dues will be required.

Payment Schedule:

Due at signing: \$50

October 20, 2018 \$100

November 20, 2018 \$100

December 20, 2018 \$155

Make checks payable to:

Omaha Ski Club

PO Box 3104

Omaha NE 68103-0104

Ski Utah!

Alta/Snowbird/Brighton/Solitude

March 9 – 16, 2019

**\$1195 for IKON Pass holders
\$430 for 5 of 6 day lift tickets**

**FLY-OUT
20 SPOTS**



Enjoy the Utah powder with the Omaha Ski Club as we explore four areas on this week long adventure. The trip includes:

- 7 nights lodging at the Crystal Inn Hotel & Suites MidValley, 818 East Winchester, Murray UT (hotel style 1 king or 2 queen beds) double occupancy. Free Wi-Fi, indoor pool and hot tub, fitness facilities, guest laundry facilities. All rooms include mini-fridge, microwave, hair dryer and coffee maker.
- Round trip airfare on Southwest Airlines (no baggage fees) with great departure and arrival times (subject to change) leaving Omaha at 10:15 AM/Denver/SLC at 2:50 PM. On the return we leave SLC at 3:25 PM/Denver/Omaha at 8:35 PM. Once ticketed, group tickets are non-refundable or exchangeable.
- Daily hot buffet breakfast
- Daily light dinner
- Complimentary area shuttle
- Public transportation to the ski areas (approx. \$5-6 per day)
- Ski areas about 20 minutes from hotel
- Welcome Party
- Ski Storage at the Hotel
- 5 of 6 day Lift tickets are \$430 additional for non-IKON pass holders
- Trip insurance 6% of total charge is optional and has to be obtained before final payment, needs to be included before December payment

(Prices subject to change due to fuel surcharges)

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Payment Schedule:

\$100.00 due at signing
\$250 due October 20, 2018
\$250 due November 20, 2018
\$250 + insurance due December 20, 2018
\$final payment due January 20, 2019

Mail payments to:

Omaha Ski Club
P O Box 3104
Omaha NE 68103-0104

**OMAHA SKI CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
JUNE 2018 – MAY 2019**

MEMBERSHIP STATUS: NEW ____ RENEWAL ____

FAMILY \$25 ____ (\$30 if paid after September 30th, 2018)

SINGLE \$22 ____ (\$27 if paid after September 30th, 2018)

MEMBER INFORMATION - - - PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Name: _____ Spouse: _____

Street Address: _____ City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Alternate Phone: (____) _____

Email Address: _____

Check this box if you are 21 years or older. For family membership, list all dependent minors on back of application.

If new member, how did you hear about the club? _____

Ski/Snowboard destinations you're interested in: _____

Activities you're interested in: Biking _____ Bowling _____ Dinners _____ Other _____
(please list)

Other Interests: (please list) _____

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.

SIGNATURE _____ **DATE** _____
(Must be signed and dated)

[OSC USE ONLY] MEMBERSHIP NO. _____ BD. _____ TR. _____ NL. _____

Mail to: Omaha Ski Club, P.O. Box 3104, Omaha, NE 68103-0104

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 _____ Relationship _____ 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 bottom 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 _____

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 \$28.00 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). 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).
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 7)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.