



February 2022 Update

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2021-2022 Trips

December 8-12 – Summit County, CO, drive out - completed
January 22-27 – Telluride, CO, drive out, FSA trip - completed
February 20-27 – Ski Utah Alta/Snowbird/Brighton/Solitude, UT, underway
A possible March trip is also being worked.

2022-2023 Trips

January 27-February 3 – Whitefish, MT, FSA trip, fly out. See flyer on page 7.

Upcoming Events.

March 3rd (Thursday) 6:30 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.

March 6th (Sunday) 5:00 p.m.

Social Gathering and Utah Post-Trip Party

Quaker Steak and Lube

3320 Mid America Drive, Council Bluffs

The Club will be meeting Sunday, March 6th - 5pm at Quaker Steak and Lube, 3320 Mid America Drive, Council Bluffs, IA for our monthly club social gathering.

All current, past and legacy club members are welcome to join us.

Hope to see you there!

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Telluride CO Trip

January 22-27, 2022



Twenty members of the Omaha Ski Club joined the Flatland Ski Association (FSA) trip to Telluride. Overall, we had 8 clubs and some 300+ members at Telluride. It is always fun to see old friends and meet some new friends along the way!

We arrived on Saturday. Phil and I were early since we picked up the activity passes and lift tickets. We hung out in our beautiful cabin, the Palmyra, and were joined by early arrivals Dee and Mark. It was fun to relax and chat. And the views from the cabin were spectacular! Everything was organized and ready when everyone arrived that evening. Jamie and Simon, Len, Andi and Rebecca treated the group to chili dinner and social gathering at the cabin. We welcomed our newest members: Rebecca Hutchinson, Sue Conklin, Jim & Michele Wolyniec, Lisa Fearnow and Tim & Sherry Adams. Tim was with us last year, but with Covid, wasn't able to meet many members of the club. Teri and Phil had meetings, so the photos are limited for this event.

Unlike previous years, we didn't have a day to ski and warm up. It was off to the races. Sunday, the open races were held in the morning, the men's challenge was early afternoon. I brought everything I could think of to Telluride EXCEPT Phil's race skis! He was able to run the course on his fat skis, but not as fast as usual.

Sunday evening, we gathered at the Telluride Conference Center for the Welcome Party. The menu was baked potatoes and chili with all the toppings. The Race Chairs sold raffle tickets for some great prizes this year. There was a pair of skis, two bottles of wine, a backpack, duffle bag and several other items. All proceeds of the raffle went to the Telluride Adaptive Sports Program (TASP). Overall, FSA raised over \$3400 to be donated to this worthy program. The evening continued with a DJ, music and dancing. It was a fun evening and great to see everyone that we haven't seen in two years!

Monday, the women raced on the NASTAR course. It was a long, interesting course. Following the women's challenge race, the snowboard race took place. All of the races went quickly, with only a few minor wipeouts.

Later in the afternoon, we had the team relay or snowshoe races. They were a bit different this year. Each of the four teammates had to hold a 5 oz cup of water and run/walk down to the tube and dump the water in, then run back and tag the next runner. After four runners, if your team had 16 oz of fluid in

the tube, then you were done. If not, the runners would start again until the tube had 16 oz. The team with the best time won. This year, we came in third place! Thank you to Phil Bintz, Jamie Lewis, Mark McCracken and Vance Peterson. We had a good team! I liked the idea of leveling the playing field with the water. It was more about skill than about only running in snowshoes.

Again, this year, the race director hosted the Elevation Challenge. This challenge used the application "Ski Tracks" to track miles, total vertical and speed. Although my max speed was 66.7 mph, I was beat by Hollis Anderson who reached 77 mph. I think they should have a men's and women's category next year.



Mark McCracken, Jamie Lewis, Vance Peterson and Phil Bintz

Monday evening, there was a Block Party at the Mountain Village Commons. We were on our own to roam about the Village. I decided to go browse through the shops. While in Christy Sports, I spied a

beautiful Descente jacket that had my name all over it! We walked around and decided to go back to the condo to have dinner. We had a fully stocked kitchen and refrigerator and enough food to feed an army! And lots of chocolate and treats, thanks to Andi. And homemade apple and cherry pies. Our poor waistlines!



FSA Medal Winners Back row: Mark McCracken, Vance Peterson, Jamie Lewis, Phil Bintz. Front: Andi Neumann, Teri Hammon, Simon Lewis

Tuesday, we watched the Novice racers run through the gates. I was happy to see Sue and Lisa participating in the race. Thank you both for trying. After this, we skied until late lunch. After this, we relaxed and got ready for the evening. The FSA Awards Banquet was held at the Telluride Conference Center. The meal was chicken parmesan, salad, pasta and tiramisu. Several members of our group won medals in their age group. The Omaha Ski Club received the

award for being the top small club with the most participation points. Thanks to everyone for their participation! With your participation, we once again, were given the award for Highest Score for the small Club. All of the race results are posted on our website at Omahaskiclub.org. Here is a summary of our participants:

Open Race

- Phil Bintz-Silver Nastar medal
- Vance Peterson-Bronze Nastar medal

Women's Challenge

- Teri Hammon-Silver (60-64) and Bronze Nastar medal
- Andi Neumann-Bronze (55-59)
- Jamie Lewis (65-69) 5th place - Bronze Nastar medal
- Rebecca Hutchinson (55-59) 6th place

Men's Challenge

- Simon Lewis-Bronze (70-74)
- Mark McCracken-Silver (60-64)
- Phil Bintz-Bronze (60-64)
- Jim Wolyniec-Bronze (55-59) and Bronze Nastar medal
- Joe Reitman (55-59) 9th place-Bronze Nastar medal
- Len Szmurlo (65-69) 13th place



Men's Challenge (continued)

Vance Peterson (70-74) 7th place

Patrick Connelly (80-84) 4th place

Team Relay-3rd Place

Jamie Lewis

Phil Bintz

Mark McCracken

Vance Peterson

Novice Race

Sue Conklin

Lisa Fearnow



Lisa Fearnow

Wednesday, we had a free day to ski. It was great weather, bluebird skies and moderate temps. We explored See Forever, the Plunge, Polar Queen and Prospect Bowl. It was fun making turns with friends. The views were breath taking. Wilson Peak, Lizard Head and Palmyra Peak never disappoint.

In the evening, we invited everyone to the cabin for homemade lasagna, salad and garlic bread. Thanks to Teri, Dee & Mark and Mark & Cindy for dinner. Special thanks to Dee for helping me bake the pans of lasagna and fixing salad. I really appreciated the help!



Pat Connelly, Mark Johnson, Jim Wolyniec, Andi Neumann, Phil Bintz, Mark McCracken, Teri Hammon, Joe Reitman, Simon Lewis and Len Szmurlo

Thursday morning, we packed the cars and headed towards home. Phil and I took a few turns before heading out. Telluride was a great place as were our accommodations. The only thing that I didn't have time for was the hot tub. Hopefully others made time to check it out.

Another wonderful trip has come to an end. Next year we go to Whitefish for the week! Save the dates - January 27-February 3, 2023. We have 34 spots reserved. I will have pricing soon. I am taking trip applications and \$100 deposits NOW and will get group airfare, if we have more than ten people requesting it. I hope you will join us! Again, thank you all for making this a great trip! I hope you had a good time and we will do it again next year!



Teri Hammon
Trip Captain



Jim & Michele Wolyniec, Vance Peterson, Joe Reitman, Phil Bintz, Sherry Adams, Andi Neumann, Tim Adams, Dee & Mark McCracken, Jamie Lewis, Cindy Johnson, Rebecca Hutchinson, Pat Connelly, Teri Hammon, Simon Lewis, Len Szmurlo and Mark Johnson. (Missing Sue Conklin and Lisa Fearnow)



Whitefish MT

January 27 – February 3, 2023



Base price: \$675

Additional: Lift Tickets, Airfare/Transfers (TBD)

Spend the week with fellow Flatland Ski Association (FSA) members at the beautiful Lodge at Whitefish! Ski 4-7 days at Whitefish and enjoy the magnificent views and “snow ghosts” on your descent. You won’t be disappointed! This trip includes:

- **7 nights lodging at the Lodge at Whitefish** in 2 bed/2 bath Lakefront condos. Lakefront hot tub and an indoor pool and hot tub. Complementary snowshoes, free parking and free Wi-Fi. Check-in is 4 PM; Check-out is 11 AM.
- **Social gathering** hosted by the trip captain
- **FSA Welcome Party** at the Lodge at Whitefish
- **Racing** for those who want to participate-participation is optional but encouraged!
- **FSA Awards Banquet** at the Lodge at Whitefish
- **AIRFARE/TRANSFERS/PORTERAGE-
PLEASE SPECIFY IF YOU WILL BE FLYING AND NEED AIR ON YOUR TRIP APPLICATION.**

We will get group airfare pricing when there are 10 or more wanting airfare.

(this is not included in the base pricing)

- **Lift tickets (not included in base pricing)**
 - 196.80 Adult **4** of 7 day lift ticket
 - 246.00 Adult **5** of 7 day lift ticket
 - 295.20 Adult **6** of 7 day lift ticket
 - 168.00 Senior 64-69/teen 13-18 **4** of 7 day lift ticket
 - 210.00 Senior 64-69/teen 13-18 **5** of 7 day lift ticket
 - 252.00 Senior 64-69/teen 13-18 **6** of 7 day lift ticket
 - 62.40 70+ Senior **4** of 7 day lift ticket
 - 78.00 70+ Senior **5** of 7 day lift ticket
 - 93.60 70+ Senior **6** of 7 day lift ticket
- **FSA Tee shirts (optional)** may be preordered. Pricing TBD

Trip Captain: Teri Hammon
Phone: 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 (now): \$100
August 1, 2022: \$250
September 1, 2022: \$250
October 1, 2022: \$250
November 1, 2022: remaining balance plus optional items

**Mail Payments to: Omaha Ski Club, PO
 Box 3104, Omaha NE 68103-0104**

**OMAHA SKI CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
JUNE 2021 – MAY 2022**

MEMBERSHIP STATUS: NEW ____ RENEWAL ____

FAMILY \$25 ____ (\$30 if paid after September 30, 2021)

SINGLE \$22 ____ (\$27 if paid after September 30, 2021)

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 rpt 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.



**WAIVER/RELEASE FOR COMMUNICABLE DISEASES INCLUDING COVID-19
June 2021 – May 2022**

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19 has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. **COVID-19 is extremely contagious** and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. As a result, federal, state and local governments and federal and state health agencies recommend social distancing and have, in many locations, prohibited the congregation of groups of people.

In consideration of being allowed to participate on as a member or guest (“Releasor”) of the Omaha Ski Club and related events and activities, the undersigned acknowledges, understands, and agrees that:

1. Participation in Omaha Ski Club events, trips and/or other gatherings includes possible exposure to and illness from infectious diseases including but not limited to MRSA, influenza, and COVID-19. While particular rules and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of serious illness and death does exist;
2. Participation in Omaha Ski Club events may potentially bring Releasor in close contact with other individuals and locations including, but not limited to, ski resorts which have been known sources of exposure to COVID-19;
3. **RELEASOR KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASSUMES ALL SUCH RISKS**, both known and unknown, **EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES** or others, and assumes full responsibility for Releasor’s participation in Omaha Ski Club events, trips and/or other gatherings;
4. Releasor on behalf of him/herself and on behalf of Releasor’s heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, **HEREBY RELEASES AND HOLDS HARMLESS** the Omaha Ski Club its officers, officials, agents, and/or employees, other participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, volunteers and if applicable, owners and lessors of premises used to conduct the event, (“Releasees”) **WITH RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL ILLNESS, DISABILITY, DEATH**, or loss or damage to person or property, **WHETHER ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE**, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND SIGN IF FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT.

Name of participant: _____ Participant signature: _____

Date signed _____:

FOR PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE (UNDER AGE 18 AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION)

This is to certify that I, as parent/guardian, with legal responsibility for this participant, have read and explained the provisions in this waiver/release to my child/ward including the risks of presence and participation and his/her personal responsibilities for adhering to the rules and regulations for protection against communicable diseases. Furthermore, my child/ward understands and accepts these risks and responsibilities. I for myself, my spouse, the child/ward’s other parent(s) and child/ward do consent and agree to his/her release provided above for all the Releasees and myself, my spouse, the child/ward’s other parent(s) and child/ward do release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees for any and all liabilities incident to my minor child’s/ward’s presence or participation in these activities as provided above, **EVEN IF ARISING FROM THEIR NEGLIGENCE**, to the fullest extent provided by law.

Name of parent/guardian: _____ Parent/guardian signature: _____

Date signed _____: