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Meetup

Carrabba's Italian Grill - Suntree

Wednesday, October 19, 5-7pm

Please join us for socializing and happy hour.

Go to www.meetup.com to view upcoming events!

Everyone welcome!

Trip deadlines are approaching...

Be sure to send in your deposits today!



Should You
Rent or
Purchase
Skis?

*See article
on Page 9*

ANNUAL SKI CLUB EXTRAVAGANZA!

See the fun we had!
Trip exhibits, prizes, great
food, and dancing!

*See more great photos and an article on
the event on page 6!*



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Members!

It was wonderful seeing all of you at the Extravaganza. I want to extend a special thanks to **Vicki Bristol, Vice President**, for organizing a great time for everyone.

I also want to thank our sponsors - **Carrabba's Italian Grill, Outback Steak House,** and **Peter Glenn Ski and Sports** of Altamonte Springs and Orlando. **Julia Crossley** and her helpers did an outstanding job at registration.

Carla Constantino did a great job on the ski club brochure!

After this long, hot summer, it's time to cool off and think about skiing. Our trip leaders have put together a wide array of travel choices for our 2011 – 2012 season. Deadlines for these trips are growing near. Please contact a trip leader to ensure you have a spot for the next ski season.

Hope to see you on the slopes at Steamboat!

Lloyd Lewis
President



2010-2011 A RECORD SKI SEASON

The National Ski Areas Association announced that a new all-time record of 60.4 million skiers and snowboarders was recorded during the 2010-2011 season, although preliminary numbers released in May had projected this would be the second best season on record. But the long-lasting winter allowed many areas to operate late into the spring. At 12 areas, as late as July fourth in California, Colorado, Oregon, Washington and Utah, an estimated 50,000 people took advantage of snow fun over the weekend!!

From The National Ski Club News 8/5/11



COPPER, COLORADO

January 15 – 21, 2012



Need roommates? Looking for one couple and one single male!

Come and ski what the U.S. Forest service declares “the most nearly perfect ski mountain in North America”.

Copper Mountain, located in Summit County, is only 1-1/2 hours west of Denver. Copper Village is a small and friendly village, but the mountain is large and boasts 125 trails, 2,600 vertical feet and is naturally laid out with green runs to the west progressing to blue and black runs to the east. This allows you to stay where you feel comfortable until you are ready to progress.

Copper is designed to help skiers of different abilities enjoy their day to the fullest. If you love a challenge, the Back Bowls are available for those hard core skiers. There are FREE daily mountain familiarization tours; and, for a change of pace, Copper offers FREE snow shoe walks.

While we’re talking about FREE, Summit County has FREE bus service to Frisco, Silverthorne and Dillon for shopping and dining. Additional FREE bus service is available to Breckenridge, Keystone and A-Basin. Back in Copper, FREE après ski entertainment with Moe Dixon and Lefty Lucy round out your day of skiing; and while the drinks are not free, there is always Happy Hour to keep you. . . well. . . happy!

We will be staying in Center Village Condos just a few minutes’ walk from the slopes. They have fireplaces, ski storage, hot tubs, and laundry facility. We will make a grocery store stop on the way in from the airport. Also, there is a small grocery store in the village along with plenty of shops and bars. Restaurants in Copper range from pizza to fine dining. Pick a new one every night or stay in and create your own cuisine.

So if you want to start the new year out with a fun and easy ski trip, come with us to Copper Mountain. It will be loads of fun and easy to enjoy. Visit www.coppercolorado.com for more info.

Mail checks (payable to Space Coast Ski Club) and applications to:

Laird Quenzler
104 Riverside Dr. #401
Cocoa, FL 32922
321-632-1715

laird@spacecoastskiclub.com



Price:

- \$1260 per person; 4 persons in a 2-bedroom condo. (Silver accommodations)
- \$1285 per person; 4 persons in a 2-bedroom condo. (Gold accommodations)

Price Includes:

- Round trip air fare Orlando to Denver
- Transfers to/from Denver-Copper
- Baggage fees at Copper
- Group rental ski discount
- 6 nights’ accommodations in Copper’s ‘Center Village’
- Welcome wine & cheese party
- Pre/post trip party
- Après ski activities

Lift Tickets:

- 4 day lift tickets with ‘super pass’ (no lift lines) INCLUDED
- Extra day lift ticket \$59

Payment schedule:

- \$400 due by the Extravaganza (September 17th)
- Balance due by October 15th

Ground package:

- Deduct \$400 from the above trip price

Cancellation:

- A minimum of \$75 penalty after the Extravaganza. Please see Club’s cancellation policy for more details.



FLORIDA SKI COUNCIL TRIP

January 22 – 28, 2012

DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 10 – SIGN UP TODAY!



We've done all the work; now you can have all the fun!

Grab your skis and cowboy boots and come with us to Ski Town USA! Join Floridians from all around the state for a week of fun on Steamboat's fabulous champagne powder.

One of Colorado's authentic Old West towns, [Steamboat](#) is over 100 years old but modern in every amenity. Located in northwestern Colorado, cowboy country meets ski country in Steamboat, where Wrangler jeans and big hats are as common as ski jackets and snowboard boots. Steamboat trademarked the name Ski Town, U.S.A.® as a testament to its skiing roots and the generations of Olympic athletes who grew up there. With close to 3,000 skiable acres, a Steamboat ski vacation offers every level of terrain and it's all easy to reach by a vast lift system including the eight-passenger gondola and six high-speed chairlifts. Steamboat continues to make significant improvements to the mountain, more than \$27 million over the past three years. Does Steamboat's famous Champagne Powder™ snow put a smile on your face? If so, you should have a permanent grin plastered there after last year's record breaking powder season. As we all know, history has a way of repeating itself in Steamboat-Ski Town, U.S.A.®. Ski Steamboat and discover small-town hospitality and friendly service both on and off the mountain. This is a modern ranch town that never lost its heritage. A free bus system allows easy access to the quaint shops, excellent restaurants, and Old West lifestyle. There are affordable restaurants for every taste, from Norwegian to barbecue smokehouses and post-dinner nightspots to round out the evening.

One low price per person includes:

- Roundtrip airfare from Orlando to Steamboat (Hayden Airport) on Frontier Airlines
- 2 **FREE** Checked Bags on Frontier
- Ground transportation to/from The Steamboat Grand & luggage handling at the resort
- 6-nights' deluxe **ski-in ski-out lodging** at *The Steamboat Grand*
- Nastar race between the clubs for the coveted Pauline's Cup (Florida Cup)
- Pre-trip party
- Scenic on-mountain lunch on *Crazy Hat and Boxer Shorts Day*
- Theme party with dinner, DJ, dancing, costume prizes, and race prizes
 - Equipment rentals and lessons are available at incredibly **discounted rates**

Price: per person/double occupancy per bedroom:

- \$1395 per person (2 bedroom/3 bath condo) 4 people
- \$1500 per person (1 bedroom/1 bath condo) 2 people
- \$1415 per person (hotel room - King) 2 people
- \$1360 per person (hotel room – 2 Queens) 2 people
- Travel Credit \$460 Less

Adult Group Rate Lift Tickets: 3 days \$150; 4 days \$200; 5 days \$230

Payment Schedule: (per person)

- \$300.00 with trip application
- Final balance due by October 10, 2011
- Trip Specific Cancellation Policies: [Club Standard](#)

Mail checks (payable to Space Coast Ski Club) and applications to:

Pam Kaercher

144 Island View Drive

Indian Harbour Beach, FL 32937

Email – plk@cfl.rr.com Phone – 321-298-7086 (Cell)



NORTHSTAR-AT-TAHOE, CALIFORNIA

February 4 - 11, 2012

One male needs roommate



Join us as we take our club's first trip to Northstar-at-Tahoe Resort near Lake Tahoe, California. One of the finest year-round mountain resorts in North America, the Northstar Resort is host to a base area village featuring more than 35 unique shops and restaurants, 9,000-square-foot skating rink, on-site lodging, special events and more. Our luxury condo accommodations are in the Iron Horse Lodge on the village plaza just steps to the Gondola and all the base area village has to offer. Considered the ultimate Lake Tahoe ski resort, recent Northstar additions include a mid-mountain Ritz-Carlton with its Spa and French-inspired California cuisine at the Manzanita restaurant.

A winter sport enthusiast's paradise, Northstar Resort offers 93 ski trails with 19 lifts spread across 3,000 acres, award-winning terrain parks and snow sports, including alpine and Telemark skiing, snowboarding, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing and tubing. As a recent addition to the Vail Resorts group, their \$30 million Northstar summer improvement project will add new gladed terrain and ski trails, a high-speed lift and a 500-seat restaurant on mountain, new retail shops and a signature restaurant in the village for the 2011-2012 ski season. Additionally, our club's lift passes will be valid at both local Vail Resorts, Northstar-at-Tahoe and Heavenly, with an option to also ski at Alpine Meadows.

Price: per person/double occupancy per bedroom

- \$1560 per person (3 bedroom/3 bath condo)
- \$1700 per person (2 bedroom/2 bath condo)
- \$2115 per person (1 bedroom/1 bath condo)
- Non-skier: \$250 less
- Travel credit: \$450 less

Price Includes:

- Round Trip Flights: Orlando / Reno
- Ground transportation to and from accommodations
- Grocery stop on the way to the resort
- 7 night accommodations at Iron Horse Lodge
- Baggage handling at resort
- 5 day lift pass included
- Pre-trip party
- Group welcome wine and cheese reception
- Group mid-week dinner
- Group social at end of week

Payment Schedule: (per person)

- \$300.00 with trip application
- \$600.00 due by October 21, 2011
- Final balance due by November 21, 2011

Mail checks (payable to Space Coast Ski Club) and applications to:

Brice Crossley
PO Box 361935
Melbourne, FL 32936-1935



Space Coast Ski Club Extravaganza

If you missed this fun event, there is still time to sign up for trips!

See individual trip pages for details!

Now THIS was an event! On September 17, your Space Coast Ski Club held the annual Extravaganza at the oceanfront Crowne Plaza in Indialantic. We had a huge turnout of members and guests who were entertained by **DJ MASTERKEY** all night long. Shaking it up was the mood for the evening! We danced and mingled with friends, signed up for trips and saw **Peter Glenn Ski and Sports'** latest and greatest equipment and apparel. Wonderful prize giveaways were won



throughout the evening, including gift bags and apparel from **Peter Glenn** in Altamonte Springs, gift certificates from **Outback Steak House** and **Carrabba's Italian Grill**, and several trip vouchers. A cash bar and hors d'oeuvres followed by a dinner buffet of shrimp and beef skewers, pasta salad, sandwich meats, hummus and a variety of crudites kept the energy levels high. Thanks to Club **Director Danny Molina** for his great photography!





BANFF, CANADA

February 25 – March 3, 2012



Embark on a journey of discovery. Rejuvenate in the world class spa. Come and spoil yourself in the heart of the unspoiled wilderness & endless mountain terrain in Banff National Park.

Stay in the Fairmont Banff Springs storybook castle in the majestic Canadian Rockies just 90 minutes from Calgary's International airport. Ski three world class resorts: Banff, Lake Louise & Sunshine Village, all less than an hour apart & all on one lift ticket. Experience an alpine playground of wide open reliable champagne powder-filled bowls, perfectly groomed cruisers, steep & deep chutes & challenging terrain parks. Scenery is second to none in the world.

When you ski the Big Three, you'll have higher mountains, drier powder & more runs. With green, blue, and black runs available off almost every lift, those with different abilities can still spend their days together. The Big Three boast more than 8,000 acres of varied terrain, 270 runs, 26 lifts, and 360" of snow per year! The longest run is five miles long!

The town of Banff is five minutes' walk from the hotel and has more than 130 bars & restaurants, offering everything from 5-star dining to family meals on-the-go. Enjoy après ski activities & nightlife from dawn to dusk. Shopping offers an array of galleries & boutiques. Imagine what happens when you experience something truly extraordinary. The trip of a lifetime awaits!

Visit these websites for great resort information:

<http://mountain-resorts.fairmont.com/streamvideo.aspx?filename=L2hikhBqYDs&vt=1>

<http://mountain-resorts.fairmont.com/streamvideo.aspx?filename=b-z3RGuHhvI&vt=1>

If you have out-of-state friends who would be interested in meeting us at the Calgary airport, a trip price reduction will be given to those who find their own airfare. Send your \$300 deposit now to hold your reservation!

IMPORTANT NOTE:

Be sure to check your passport to be sure that it is valid through the return date of March 3, 2012. Now is the time to check to avoid any delays you may encounter if you need to renew. Also, check your cell phone and internet rate plans for international travel settings. You could get gouged heavily if you forget to set this up before you leave the country.

Mail checks (payable to Space Coast Ski Club) and your application to:

Vicki Bristol
4955 Dixie Hwy. N.E. #205
Palm Bay, FL 32905

Trip Leader - Vicki Bristol

vicki_bristol@msn.com 321-626-3909

Asst. Trip Leader - Danny Molina

runtnvern@cfl.rr.com 321-536-7149

Cancellation policy: Prior to November 15, 2011, refund will be given minus \$100. After November 15, 2011, refund will be given only if space can be resold, minus any airline & lodging penalties, minus \$100.

Price **\$1679** includes:

- R/T airfare Orlando to Calgary
- Ground Transportation to/from Fairmont Hotel
- Baggage handling & tips
- Pre-trip party
- Sunday Mountain Tour
- Monday welcome party w/ dinner, cash bar, live music
- Tuesday FSC race, mountain lunch & club pictures
- Thursday FSC Banquet, dinner, cash bar, live music. Theme: The Great Gatsby
- Friday apres ski at Wild Bill's Saloon downtown Banff
- Special FSC rates for ski lessons & equipment rentals

Payment Schedule:

- \$300 w/ trip application
- \$1379 Balance due 11/15/11

Lift Tickets:

- 3 of 4 day \$202
- 4 of 5 day \$269
- 5 of 7 day \$336
- 6 of 7 day \$403
- ask about senior rates

www.skibanff.com

www.skilouise.com

www.skibig3.com





SPRING BREAK FOR GROWN KIDS! CANYONS RESORT, UTAH - MARCH 3-10, 2012

*Canyons Trip Leader, Carla, will be out of the country from October 6-18.
Please send your trip application and deposit, and she will confirm receipt when she returns.
If you need more info, your emails will be answered Oct 20. Thank you!
We are still looking for a single female to share a room on this trip.*

2012 marks the first year SCSC will go to Canyons Resort. 4,000 acres of skiable terrain makes Canyons the largest ski and snowboard resort in Utah and one of the three largest in the U.S. Yes, Canyons is huge. With 19 lifts, 182 trails, 9 Mountain Peaks, and 6 natural half pipes, snow fanatics will have no chance for boredom! Canyons is 30 minutes from the airport. Average snowfall in March is 69 inches. New in 2010, Canyons unveiled the only ski lift in North America with heated seats. Opening Iron Mountain added 12 runs with over 300 acres accessible by a new high-speed quad. Canyons Resort was originally Park City West in 1968. It evolved into Park West in the 1970s and became Wolf Mountain in 1995. Change came once more in 1997 when the name became Canyons, adding more lifts and lodging to the mountain's story. In 2002, the Winter Olympic Games came to town making Canyons center stage.



Completed in 2007, **SILVERADO LODGE** sits across from the Resort Village and provides contemporary mountain lodging. Amenities include 24-hour front desk, heated outdoor pool & hot tub, fitness facility, ski storage, daily maid service, in-room washers/dryers, and free wireless Internet access in all guest rooms and public areas. Canyons Resort shuttle service will take you to Park City or grocery store free of charge.

Price Per Person/Double Occupancy Per Bedroom

1 Bedroom/1 Bath - \$1435 each
2 Bedroom/2 Bath - \$1225 each
3 Bedroom/3 Bath - \$1180 each

Call and ask me how you can make this trip more affordable!

Price Includes:

Round trip flights on Delta Airlines – Orlando/Salt Lake City
Ground Transportation to and from resort
7 nights' accommodations at Silverado Lodge
Welcome Party the evening of arrival, private mountain tour the first club ski day
Group Dinner at Canyons, Group Happy Hour, Pre-Trip Party
English Speaking Guide for the week

Lift Tickets: Adult 3 Day - \$155; 4 Day - \$200; 5 Day - \$230; Senior/Child rates available
Group Lift tickets will be available for Park City and Deer Valley

Payment Schedule: \$350 with trip application and \$650 by October 15, 2011

Final balance due December 25, 2011 (*Merry Christmas to yourself!*)

Mail checks (payable to Space Coast Ski Club) and applications to:

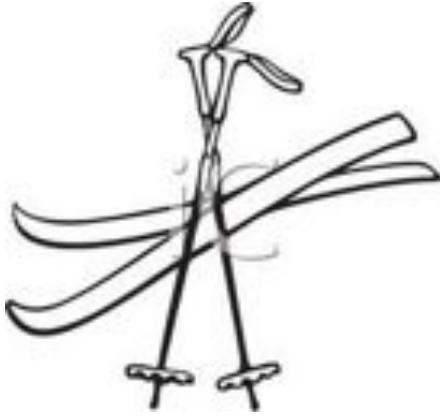
Carla Constantino, 4173 Deerwood Trail, Melbourne, FL 32934

Questions? Call (321) 255-7708 or email: calico@me.com

Should We Rent or Purchase Skis in the Future?

From The National Ski Club Newsletter, May-June 2011

By Bob Wilbanks



If you pay \$1,000 for skis that you use five days per trip on two trips a year for four years before they become outdated, that amortizes out to \$25 per day. Add the cost of checking the bags with the airline on each of the four trips at \$50 to \$200 per trip and an annual tune-up, and your skis can amortize out at anywhere from \$35 to \$50 per day – or about the same cost as renting top-of-the-line demos.

While most expert and aggressive skiers will still insist on using their own skis, the recreational intermediate skier or beginner who just wants a good pair of up-to-date skis to fly down the slopes for a week, renting is becoming more and more logical every year. The cost of purchasing skis continues to rise and manufacturers keep announcing new features and styles that you want to try out every year.

Airlines keep raising their checked luggage fees, and those fees are expected to continue rising – and renting skis avoids schlepping more luggage than you can handle on top of cars, through airports, and on shuttle buses.

Ski rental companies are also becoming more and more sophisticated and consumer friendly in their rental procedures – with internet pre-rentals and multi-station rental facilities. Rental ski equipment is much better than it used to be – with the most up-to-date styles available – and some equipment rental companies even deliver to your resort hotel or condo.

One European ski rental company has begun selling custom-fit liners for their rental boots at several European ski resorts this season. Skiers purchase only the custom liner which they use over and over again in the coordinated rental boots. While this eliminates the most often-heard objection to ski equipment rental of painful ski boots, it's not available in North America at this time. So, until this or a similar concept is available at North American ski resorts, most skiers who rent skis will probably want to continue bringing their own ski boots – which they pack into their checked luggage to keep the cost of airline surcharges to a minimum.

SHIP SKIS TO RESORTS TO SAVE MONEY

You may want to consider paying \$25-\$40 one way to ship your skis to and from resorts via FedEx ground. This can be a break-even or money-saving arrangement, depending upon which airline you fly and how many bags you travel with.

Be sure to talk with your trip leader and plan ahead by asking the hotel or condo if they will accept and hold skis for a day or two before you arrive.

Skis must be shipped about five days in advance to get FedEx ground rates.

*Adapted from The National
Ski Club Newsletter, May-
June 2011, by Bob Wilbanks*



IRELAND

TOUR AND GOLF VACATION

September 17 - 25, 2012 --- 9 days and 8 nights

Ireland is one of Europe's gems, a scenic extravaganza of lake, mountain, sea, and sky that's still gorgeous enough to make your jaw drop. There is also a wealth of history to discover - from the countless medieval castles and early Christian monasteries to the powerful political murals of Belfast and Kerry. You can also enjoy one of the biggest concentrations of prehistoric monuments in Europe.

The days are filled with exciting places to visit such as the Guinness Storehouse, where you learn the history and traditional methods used in crafting Ireland's most famous export, Guinness. You will visit the Kennedy homestead (where five generations of Kennedys lived), the Spirit of Ireland Exhibition, the Waterford crystal factory, the Ring of Kerry, the cliffs of Moher, and the Blarney Castle where you can kiss the blarney stone.

Golfers will experience the courses at Wicklow, Killarney, and Ennis if they choose. Green fees are extra.

There will be 2 nights in Dublin, 1 night in Dungarvan, 2 in Kerry, and 2 in Ennis. All breakfasts and dinners are included, with one Medieval Banquet featuring a 4-course meal of Irish dishes. You can also enjoy entertainment from the courts of lords and ladies of the castle.

So sit back and be escorted around Ireland in a comfortable coach, and truly enjoy the country with your Space Coast Ski Club friends. Don't worry about where you are going or where to have breakfast or dinner as it's all planned for you.

This trip is still under construction, but the price per person will be approximately \$2500, including air from Orlando, air fuel taxes, airport transfers, 8 nights' lodging, motor coach for touring with an English speaking guide, 7 breakfasts, 7 dinners, and a pre and/or post party.

Call or email Clair Quenzler if you are interested.

clairqski@aol.com

321-431-7638

SPACE COAST SKI CLUB CALENDAR

2011 -2012

MEETUP

Carrabba's Suntree (See Page 1)

October 19, 2011

HOLIDAY PARTY

Tortoise Island Clubhouse-Satellite Beach

Watch for more details soon!

December 9, 2011

COPPER, COLORADO

January 15 - 21, 2012

STEAMBOAT, COLORADO

January 22 - 28, 2012

NORTHSTAR, CALIFORNIA

February 4 - 11, 2012

BANFF, CANADA

February 25 - March 3, 2012

CANYONS, UTAH

March 3 - 10, 2012

IRELAND (Tour & Golf)

September 17 - 25, 2012

