



## FEBRUARY 2016 NEWSLETTER

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### JUST FOR FUN

#### Snow Fact:

The largest snowflake may have been 15 inches wide. According to some sources, the largest snowflakes ever observed fell during a snowstorm in January 1887 at

#### President's Message

2016 has been awesome so far! The January FSC week at Whistler Blackcomb was a wonderful getaway for 400 Florida travelers from 14 clubs. SCSTC was well-represented. We also had a group just return from Breckenridge, CO. They skied fresh powder daily while braving chilly temperatures and had lots of fun events in the evenings. Coming up we have groups headed to Mt. Bachelor (Feb. 20) and Zell am See, Austria (March 4). And our final winter destination will be a Spring Break week in Winter Park, CO in late March. I truly hope all you skiers and snowboarders were able to take advantage of one of these outstanding offerings this season.

Please mark April 30 on your calendars and make plans to attend our annual Spring Fling. You can relax with friends, talk about all the fun you had this winter and start making plans for next year!

*Jeannie Kilpatrick-Staubus*



**What:** Annual Spring Fling  
**When:** Saturday, April 30th

**SCSTC Race Team Takes 1st Place at Whistler!**



**2016 Trips -----**

Montana's Fort Keogh. While witnesses said the flakes were "larger than milk pans," these claims have not been substantiated.

#### **Ski Fact/Quote:**

"When it comes to skiing, there's a difference between what you think it's going to be like, what it's really like, and what you tell your friends it was like."

-Author Unknown

### **MEMBER INFO**

#### **Membership News**

#### **Now is the Time to Give to Your Ski Club**

The SCSTC Board of Directors is elected every 2 years. Elections will take place at our Spring Fling on April 30th. Each position is described in

#### **Mt. Bachelor, Oregon: February 20th-27th, 2016 (SOLD OUT)**

Our club is joining Orlando Ski Club for this fantastic FSC trip this weekend! Trip Leader [Shelley Daniel](#), Assistant Trip Leader [Carla Constantino](#).

#### **Winter Park, Colorado: March 20th-26th, 2016 (CLOSED OUT)**

Spring Break get-away to one of the premier alpine locations in Colorado. Winter Park offers 3,081 total skiable acres, 327 inches of average annual snowfall, 143 designated trails and 1,212 acres of off-piste terrain, including Vasquez Cirque and glade skiing. The main mountain, which was designed for intermediates and beginners, is interconnected with its sister mountain, Mary Jane, home to one of the most challenging expert runs. Trip Leader [Jeff Koss](#).

#### **China: September 12-26th, 2016 (SOLD OUT)**

With an optional Extension to Beijing September 26-30th, this trip promises to be fantastic! Trip Leaders [Carla Constantino](#) and [Clair Quenzler](#).

#### **2017 Trips -----**

#### **Interested in Touring East Africa in 2017?**

Your Club has begun initial planning on the feasibility of offering a trip to East Africa in 2017. Travel plans to Botswana and Zambia or The Great Migration in Tanzania are being explored for a possible trip in Sept or Oct 2017. Let your Board know of your interest in this trip and any particular destination highlights that would help make this an unforgettable trip. The Board will decide later this spring if a trip to East Africa will be offered. Reply to this newsletter email or email any Board member from the [Board of Directors](#) page to let us know what you think!

#### **Past Trip Reports**

Interested in reading about our trips? Go to our [Trip Reports](#) page to check them all out.



Every year during the Florida Ski Council's January trip, there is a racing event called the Florida Cup. All the clubs participating on the FSC trip have race teams who compete for the first, second or third place honors. The results are tabulated for the fastest 3 men and 3 women from each club. In previous years, the best that our Space Coast Ski & Travel Club had ever placed was third. This year our club took the top prize in Whistler! Cal Staubus was the race captain who pulled together the winning team with Kathy Freeberg, Mike Steininger, Jeannie Kilpatrick-Staubus, Alison LaMarre, Brice Crossley, Norma Barbee, and Paul Petersen.

#### **Trip and Event Photos**

Want to look through all of the great photos from our trips and events, just visit the [Photos](#) page. Photo albums from all trips and events are available.

our [Bylaws](#). Note that assistants are also welcomed to help the Board with activities and trips. See where your talents fit in and consider helping our club thrive!

The [Whistler Trip Report](#) and the [Breckenridge Trip Report](#) are both available now on our website, including hundreds of pictures!



In addition to a great trip, everyone contributed to a great charity. We received the following appreciative words from Chelsey Walker the Executive Director of the Whistler Adaptive Sports Program:

**JOIN US**

Not a member yet? Click the JOIN US button above to complete the membership application online or to download the application.

*"On behalf of Whistler Adaptive, I wanted to say thank you very much for selecting us as the charity for the FSC Welcome Reception and donating to our silent auction. We raised just over \$2400 between the silent auction and two coat checks."*

- Individual Membership- \$30 annually
- Family Membership- \$50 annually

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