



News Letter

MIAMI SKI CLUB INC. P.O. BOX 560943 PINECREST, FL 33256-0943

APRIL 2002

Happy Hours

April 5, 6 PM

John Martins
253 Miracle Mile
Coral Gables (305) 445-3777

April 12, 6 PM

Taurus
3540 Main Highway
Coconut Grove (305) 443-5553

April 19, 6 PM

Downtowner Saloon
10 South New River Drive East
Fort Lauderdale (954) 463-9800

April 26, 6 PM

Bouganvillea's Old Florida Tavern
7221 SW 58th Avenue
South Miami (305) 669-8577

For further details and maps of each location, please log on to our web site miamiskiclub.com!

Canoe eco trip

Sunday April 21, 8:00 AM

Join us to discover some of the natural beauty that goes unseen by most! It may seem a bit early, but the chances of seeing wildlife are the greatest in the morning! We have three private guides who will tell us about the area and the wildlife we encounter. Meet before 8 AM on Key Biscayne, behind Sundays On The Bay, at the boat ramp. The tour will be about three hours long. For those who wish, we will do a nice lunch after returning to dry land.

Cost per person is **\$18 for members**, \$20 for guests. For reservations please call **Sabina Van Tuyn** at **(305) 888-SNOW** or e-mail at SabinaVT@Bellsouth.net. Please make checks payable to Miami Ski Club and mail to P.O. Box 0757, Miami Springs, FL 33266.

Dine-a-round

Tuesday, April 30, 6:30 PM

HY-WONG Vietnamese Restaurant
3458 SW 8th Street (305) 446-3674

Miami Herald: "One of the top restaurants in Miami" - every year for the last 20 years! New Times: "Best exotic food".

Dinner will include choice of appetizers, choice of soup or salad. Entrees: *snapper with mango, pork with rice noodles or chicken with snowpeas and mushrooms*. Choice of dessert, vietnamese coffee and a glass of wine.

Please make checks payable to the Miami Ski Club and send to **Sabina Van Tuyn**, P.O. Box 0757, Miami Springs, FL 33266. Please indicate your choice of entrée and make the reservation before February 23. **Members \$26** and guests \$29. For further information, call Sabina at **(305) 888-SNOW**.

Springfest!

May 4, 2002, 7 PM

This is our gala event, celebrating the passing of yet another fun filled ski season with our Club. As always, there will be a gala dinner, music, dancing, a cash bar and, of course, great door prizes! Details inside this issue - RSVP required, limited capacity!

Don't miss out

August 31 - September 10: Chile summer ski trip. This trip is filling up fast and we are limited in size, so make sure to sign up early! Details inside.

September 26 - 30: Caribbean Cruise, more inside!



Letter from the Prez...

Hello again! I was just looking at the April Newsletter from last year, and it was very tempting to just go ahead and print it again. Partly because I am lazy, but mostly because it all seemed relevant. After all, each year we are faced with the same issues - ski season winding down, membership renewals, the requisite plea for volunteers from the ranks, and so on. But plagiarizing your own stuff seems like a pretty desperate move, and in the absence of something else to plagiarize, I decided to start afresh.

As my term as President draws to a close, I sometimes find myself reflecting on the past two years. Not to worry, I won't bore you with my thoughts on the subject, but there is one thing I would like to share with you. The amount of work in front of us two years ago was overwhelming, to say the least. As we set out to accomplish our goals, at times the focus became a little narrower than I would have liked. There were so many specific objectives to be reached that some of the more subtle things just got pushed into the background. But one of those things has persistently bothered me for the entire two years - the continuity of this Club.

It is one thing to go and set up an infrastructure, rebuild the membership and nurse the financial picture back to health, but all of those things fall into the here-and-now category. But how is the future going to shape up? This Club had suffered in other ways, but the lack of continuity we have experienced was more sinister than we realize. Unless we have that continuity, most of the accomplishments could very easily go down the proverbial drain in short order. However, I am very happy to say that this particular concern is no longer a cause of sleeplessness for me. As our "elections" are over, it became apparent that things will go smoothly forward, without any undue drama. The new EC will take over in June, but we are already working on next years issues, the same as we have been working for the past year. And it occurred to me, that part of the success we have experienced is in no small measure due to the way we function as a team. We have been fortunate to be rid of any politics, overgrown egos and hidden agendas. We simply set out to do what we feel is best for the Club, and go about the business of getting it done. It got to a point where it is a comfortable and pleasant process. I am not trying to present a picture of administrative nirvana, but as a result, we have managed to stay on target and get a lot done. And now, I am comfortable in knowing that this spirit will prevail for another two years. After all, it is the Club that will benefit the most. I sincerely hope that you will be as happy with the transition as I am now...

George Ondricek
golitarts@aol.com
(305) 234-7344

Don't forget to look up the latest information on our web site: miamiskiclub.com

Walter L. Kabis
Senior Loan Officer

Community Mortgage Associates

Cell: 954-816-6268

Ski Club member since 1982

Lovely 3 story Breckenridge Townhouse 3/2

Recently remodeled - End unit

Right at the free Skibus stop

Fireplace, new furniture, view of the slopes

Quite, low traffic area

3 1/6 interests \$28,000 each

1 1/3 at \$56,000 - can be combined

Low maintenance, Cooperative owners

Photos available, call

Chuck Edelstein (305) 374-0965

Chile ski trip

Valle Nevado, Chile, \$1,450 including lift tickets
August 31 - September 10, 2002

Come and escape the South Florida summer with the Miami Ski Club! Valle Nevado is the largest skiable area in the southern hemisphere, located in the heart of the Andes. Fly United Airlines to Santiago, relax in the five star Plaza San Francisco Hotel, enjoy a buffet dinner, and next day travel the 37 miles to the magical ski village of Valle Nevado. Ski this vast, 23,000 acre area serviced by 41 lifts, or try heliskiing or hang gliding. At night, eat in one of the many international restaurants, then party at the disco, or in one of the numerous lounges and bars. Breakfast and dinner are included each day with your 7 nights lodging. Of course, there will be the usual MSC parties to liven things up even more!

Space is limited on this incredible bargain of a trip, so please sign up early! A single supplement is available for \$280. Ski rentals, gratuities and departure taxes are not included in the \$1,450 price, which is per person, based on a double occupancy. Contact trip leader **Lag Giannino** at Lgiannino@aol.com or call (305) 661-4957.

Caribbean cruise

September 26-30, 2002

Join us for a 4 day cruise of the western Caribbean aboard Carnival's ship *Imagination*. We leave the Port of Miami at **4:00 pm on Thursday, Sept. 26**. We spend time in Key West on Friday, September 27 and then head for Cozumel, Mexico. We'll be in Cozumel on Saturday, September 28 and then we'll have a full fun day at sea on Sunday, September 29. We'll arrive back in Miami on Monday morning at 8:00 a.m. Full cost, including port charges and taxes, will be **\$395** per person for inside cabins and **\$455** per person for ocean view cabins. The cost will also cover a complimentary cocktail hour and each cabin will receive a \$50 shipboard credit.

A deposit of \$100 per person is needed to reserve your cabin. This deposit is fully refundable until July 15, when full payment for the cruise will be due. Cancellation penalties apply after July 15. Please get your **deposit in by April 25** to insure a cabin. Check out our web site for more details or you may contact **Judy Hollins**, home phone (305) **251-0163**, business phone (954) 447-8233, e-mail: judy.hollins@worldspan.com. Please make checks payable to Miami Ski Club and mail to Judy Hollins, 7924 SW 199 Terr., Miami, FL 33189.

2002-03 ski trips

Not all of this season's trips have come back yet, and we already have a partial lineup of locations for next year. As things are right now, the main Florida Ski Council trip will be in January to Winter Park, followed by a back to back trip to Vail. Winter Park made some incredible changes to their mountain as well as off-mountain activities, and now rivals some much more famous resorts. As a two week trip with Vail, this could be the ultimate ski package of the season - more terrain than you can ski, and more stuff to do after skiing than you have time for! Our FSC European trip will be to Interlaken. If you have never been to this area, it is a must! Ski in the shadow of the Eiger and Jungfrau, with an incredible variety of ski areas to choose from. You can even re-create some of the famous James Bond ski chase scenes filmed there (at your own risk, of course). We are looking for a companion trip in Europe as well. On this side of the world, we will ski Lake Louise in March. The Chateau Lake Louise completely remodeled the hotel, and actually decreased the number of hotel rooms, which are now larger! As for other trips, we are in the process of finalizing those. Stay tuned!

Theatre night

Wednesday April 10, 8:00PM show

Coconut Grove Playhouse, 3500 Main Highway,
Coconut Grove (305) 442-4000 (Box office)

The Play:

The Soul of Gershwin; *The Musical Journey of an American Klezmer* by Joseph Vass

Enjoy this unique musical revue, which celebrates the music of George Gershwin and how he was influenced not only by Jewish music, but by the sultry and rhythmic sounds of the blues, jazz and gospel that surrounded him in Harlem. His interesting rhythms were bluish and Jewish. Whether it was Anatevka or Catfish Row, the depressed feelings of blacks or oppressed feelings of Jews, these were interesting rhythms, brilliantly expressed in this unique show.

Tickets are **\$27** per person for members, \$32 for guests; add \$5/seat if not confirmed by the 5th of April. For reservations call **Sabina Van Tuyn** at (305) 888-SNOW or e-mail at SabinaVT@Bellsouth.net. Please make checks payable to the Miami Ski Club and mail to P.O. Box 0757, Miami Springs, FL 33266. For more information, please visit www.CGPlayhouse.com.

IT'S RENEWAL TIME AGAIN!



Yes, we know it seems just like yesterday that you sent your membership application in. But our membership year runs from June 1 to May 31, so come the month of June, all memberships not paid between March 1 and May 31, 2001 will become inactive (our Bylaws say "terminated", but that sounds a bit too harsh in today's gentler, kinder world). Once again, we are holding the line with our membership fees for this year, so please take advantage and send your application in now. Your timely renewal will not only guarantee that you don't miss out on anything, but it also helps support our Club, by giving us the necessary means to put on all those wonderful events that we all take for granted!

Elections

We had a fabulous turnout at the elections meeting at the Rusty Pelican. Over a hundred people came to meet the candidates, eat some good food and drink the wine provided by our friends from Chile, who were promoting their ski resort and airline. A great event by all accounts!

As there were no nominations from the floor, and each position had only one candidate, the slate was unanimously adopted by acclamation. Consequently, there is no need to send out ballots, which will save the Club considerable time, effort and money. Come June, the Executive Committee will take office in this form: **Jena Rissman** will be our new President, with **George Ondricek** assuming the role of Bid Director of trips (and Boy Friday), **Cathy Stahlmann** will put her considerable experience into the position of Vice President in charge of trips; **Abbe Bendell** will take over the books as Treasurer, and **Tricia Jacobs** will come aboard as our new Secretary, who, among her other duties, will assume charge of this Newsletter.

Above Board

With the new Executive Committee will also come a new **Board of Directors**. We have had an excellent team over the past two years, and fortunately a good number of volunteers will stay on. But we will need lots of help filling some of the vacated positions as well as expanding on what we do now and relieving some of the work done by a very limited number of people. If you have enjoyed this Club, please try to get involved and help us out! We need help with all of the wonderful events we put on so frequently, we need people with computer skills (statistics, database, Magazine, Newsletter, web, etc.), we need help with taking and organizing pictures at various events, we need people to make phone calls, find new venues for our events, we need help with ideas for outings and new adventures, we need people to organize and assist with Snowballs, we need people to organize our dine-a-rounds, greet members at events, we need help with happy hours, bike rides, dive trips, special events... well, you get the picture! Please call George (305) 234-7344 or Jena (305) 341-3030 and we'll get you involved!



Membership Application

SOURCE CODE
NL-04-02

LAST NAME _____ SEX _____

FIRST NAME _____ MIDDLE INITIAL _____

ADDRESS _____

_____ APT. _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ WORK PHONE _____

E-MAIL _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____

FOR FAMILY MEMBERSHIPS ONLY (spouse signature required)

NAME OF SPOUSE _____

WORK PHONE _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____

NAME OF CHILD _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____

NAME OF CHILD _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____

NAME OF CHILD _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AND SIGN BELOW

In consideration for the benefits derived from membership in the Miami Ski Club, Inc. and acknowledging the hazards inherent in the sport of snow skiing, bicycling, roller blading, and other outdoor activities, the undersigned does hereby assume all risks and absolves, releases and waives any and all liability, claims or demands against the Miami Ski Club, Inc., its officers, directors and each and every member thereof, which may arise out of, or be related to any injury or pecuniary loss by reason of said membership, through participation in club activities.

Please make checks payable to Miami Ski Club, Inc. and mail to above address.

I would like to be included in a Club Directory I do not want to be in a Club Directory

ADULT SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

SPOUSE SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

Miami Ski Club, Inc.
 "A club for all seasons"
 P.O. Box 560943
 Pinecrest, FL 33256-0943
 Phone/Fax (305) 949-4114
 e-mail: miamiskiclub@aol.com
 Web site: miamiskiclub.com

The Miami Ski Club, Inc. (MSC), established in 1968 as a non-profit organization, extends an invitation to all those interested in having fantastic, fun-filled times to join our fabulous snow skiing trips and the year round outdoor and social events. Our membership year is from June 1 to May 31.

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP	RENEWAL (From last year)	NEW
INDIVIDUAL Available to individuals over the age of 18	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50	<input type="checkbox"/> \$60
FAMILY Married couples and single parents with children under the age of 24 residing with parents; couples with common address (need proof of residency)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$70	<input type="checkbox"/> \$80
ASSOCIATE Individuals or families residing more than 100 miles from Miami International Airport	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35
AFFILIATE Entitles current members of other Florida Ski Council clubs to join MSC trips after specific dates. Carries no other Miami Ski Club benefits		<input type="checkbox"/> \$1

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
 It is well known that the more you get involved in the Club, the more you will get out of it! We always need friendly people to greet new members, help with various activities, the magazine or Newsletter. Would you like to join that group?

I would like to be more involved in the Miami Ski Club. Count me in!

Trip Leader Application



Miami Ski Club, Inc.
P.O. Box 560943 Pinecrest, FL 33256-0943
Phone/Fax (305) 949-4114

TRIP LEADER BENEFITS:

You will have the pleasure and satisfaction of being an integral part of the Miami Ski Club and making your participants happy. Your trip will be paid for, as meager compensation for your labor.

MIAMI SKI CLUB'S SHARE:

The Club and its vendors will handle all contracts, destination selections, pricing, lodging and transportation arrangements. MSC will provide support and advice, as well as handling of payments to all vendors.

TRIP LEADER RESPONSIBILITIES:

As trip leader, you will be responsible for selling and promoting your trip, which includes attendance at Snowballs and as many other Ski Club events as possible. You will be in charge of making pre- and post-trip party arrangements, as well as organizing activities at the location. You will collect monies from participants, attend some orientation meetings and coordinate with the Vice-President of MSC and the vendors. At the end of your trip, you will provide the Club with a simple accounting of expenses, and you will supply a short story with trip photos for publication in the Miami Skier Magazine. As a representative of the Miami Ski Club, you will be expected to act in a professional manner, consistent with MSC Bylaws and guidelines. You are to promote fun, friendship and comradery to everyone on your trip. You are not to solicit upgrades or any other special considerations for yourself, or anyone in particular. If any such considerations are offered, you are to pass those on to the MSC or your group.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

RESORTS WHICH YOU ARE MOST FAMILIAR WITH

TIME OF YEAR/DESTINATION BEST FOR YOU

TIME OF YEAR/DESTINATION NOT POSSIBLE FOR YOU

LAST NAME _____ SEX _____

FIRST NAME _____ MIDDLE INITIAL _____

ADDRESS _____

_____ APT. _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ WORK PHONE _____

MOBILE PHONE _____ FAX _____

E-MAIL _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____

Please put a check mark next to the phone number that you wish to have listed

QUALIFICATIONS

HOW MANY YEARS IN MSC _____ HOW MANY TRIPS WITH THE MSC _____

LIST YOUR LAST THREE TRIPS WITH MSC

TRIP _____ YR. _____ LEADER _____

TRIP _____ YR. _____ LEADER _____

TRIP _____ YR. _____ LEADER _____

LIST TRIPS WHICH YOU HAVE RUN FOR MSC

TRIP _____ YR. _____ # OF PARTICIPANTS _____

TRIP _____ YR. _____ # OF PARTICIPANTS _____

LIST OTHER QUALIFICATIONS

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

Number of skiers attending, **free** to all 2002 trip participants (no party packs)

Number of non-skiing members (\$40 ea.)

Number of non-members (\$45 ea.)

PLEASE INDICATE YOUR FOOD CHOICES:

Number of chicken entrees

Number of Mahi-Mahi entrees

Number of kabob entrees

Number of sweet & sour pork entrees

TRIP YOU WENT ON: _____

\$ TOTAL AMOUNT OF CHECK ENCLOSED

R.S.V.P. FOR SPRINGFEST 2002 REQUIRED!

In celebration of a terrific and very successful ski season, we are proud to invite you to the annual Springfest! If you went on any of our 2002 ski trips, your admission is **free**. For other members, who did not ski with us, this fabulous evening can be attended at a bargain **\$40**. For non-members, the charge is \$45. Seating is limited, and will be assigned on a first come, first serve basis! Please fill out this coupon, detach and mail to Sandie Margoluis no later than April 28, 2002.

This is the event which brings our ski season to an end, and we go all out to celebrate. We sincerely hope that you will attend. This event is an outstanding value for everyone - skier or not!

SPRINGFEST!

PLEASE DETACH HERE

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ALOHA! SPRINGFEST IS UPON US! JOIN US FOR A HAWAIIAN LUAU!

at the Airport Marriott Hotel 1201 N.W. LeJeune Road, Miami, Phone (305) 644-5472

Join us for a fun packed evening including dinner, a Hula and Fire Knife Show, dancing, and door prizes. You can even learn to hula if you are brave enough to wiggle those hips in front of our crowd!

MAY 4, 2002, 7:00 TO 8:00 PM CASH BAR 8:00 PM Dinner Seating

Wear your favorite Hawaiian outfit. Flowers are in for the guys and gals. Grass skirts will make the scene too. Use your imagination and join in on the fun!

Please send your response as soon as possible as there is limited seating. Free to all 2002 skiers and \$40.00 per person for those who did not ski. Guests are invited at \$45.00 per person.

You must return the above coupon by April 28. Send to Sandie Margoluis 11225 S.W. 112 Street, Miami, FL 33176. Please make the check payable to the Miami Ski Club.

Calling for trip leaders!



We need a few good men (and women) to run next year's trips! This can be one of the most rewarding experiences you will ever have with the Club. If you are serious about getting involved, fill out the application on the left (along with the membership application) and mail it in! **All applications must be received by April 30, 2002!** if you have any questions, please call George at (305) 234-7344 or Abbe, our Vice-President in charge of trips at (305) 233-4941.



Address correction requested
TIME DATED MATERIAL

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7 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME	8	9	10 8 pm THEATRE NIGHT	11	12 6 pm TAURUS Coconut Grove	13	
14	15	16 <i>Board meeting</i>	17	18	19 6 pm Downtown Saloon Ft. Lauderdale	20	
21 8am Key Biscayne canoe trip	22	23	24	25	26 6 pm Bouganvillea's South Miami	27	
28	29	30 6:30 pm HY-WONG Miami	April 2002				<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>May 4, 7 PM: SPRINGFEST Miami Airport Marriott</p> </div>