



News Letter

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

FEBRUARY 2002

Happy Hours

February 1, 6 PM

Sunset Tavern

7232 SW 59 Avenue, South Miami
(305) 665-9996

February 8, 6 PM

Bimini Boat Yard

1555 SE 17th Street Causeway
Ft. Lauderdale (954) 525-7400

February 15, 6 PM

Rusty Pelican, the Coral Room
3201 Rickenbacker Causeway
Key Biscayne (305) 361-3818

This is our election meeting, please attend!

February 22, 6 PM

O'Casey's

11415 South Dixie Highway
Pinecrest, Florida (305) 256-2667

Dine-a-round

Tuesday, February 26, 6:30 PM

Bay Harbor Inn

9660 E. Bay Harbor Drive
Bay Harbor Islands (305) 868-4141

Please join us for some fine waterfront dining. Dinner includes salad, entree, dessert, a glass of wine and coffee or tea.. Choose from *grilled salmon* or *roasted and sliced tenderloin*. Dessert will be *key lime pie with raspberry coulis*.

Make check payable to the Miami Ski Club and send to **Sandie Margoluis, 11225 S.W. 112 St. Miami, FL 33176**. Please indicate your choice of entree. Members **\$32** and **\$35** for guests. **You must make reservations no later than February 18!** Any questions, call Sandie at (305) 596-9311. Seating limited to 35 persons.

Theatre Night

Wednesday, February 13, 8:00 PM show

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

The play:

PROOF by David Auburn

Winner of the 2001 Pulitzer Prize and Tony Award for Best Play, PROOF is the compelling and off-beat new play that The New York Times calls, "Exhilarating!" The story focuses on a young woman whose father, a famous mathematics professor, has died following a severe bout with mental illness. A brilliant mathematician in her own right, she has seemingly sacrificed her own career to take care of her father. As she is comforted by her well meaning, and a would-be romantic interest (also a mathematician) combing her father's notebooks for secrets to his genius, motivations meld into "an exciting new drama that combines elements of mystery and surprise with old-fashioned storytelling to provide a compelling evening of theater." – *New York Daily*

Tickets are **\$27** per person for members, \$32 for guests, add \$5/seat if not confirmed by the 13th (regular tickets are \$40). For reservations please call **Sabina Van Tuyn** at (305) 888-SNOW or e-mail SabinaVT@bellsouth.net. Please make checks payable to Miami Ski Club and mail to Sabina Van Tuyn, P.O. Box 0757, Miami Springs, FL33266. For more information, please visit www.CGPlayhouse.com.

Make sure to read all about the

MIAMI SKI CLUB ELECTIONS!
SPRING TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS!
SUMMER SKI TRIP TO CHILE!



Letter from the Prez...

Hi! The new year is upon us with full force, and I am happy to report that we seem to be getting our heads back out of the sand. As reluctant as we may be to admit it, the events of September 11 had a very adverse effect on the Miami Ski Club, just as they impacted so many other aspect of our lives. The initial shock and horror were replaced with a fear of travel, and a sort of depression which kept most people at home much of the time. But with the holidays came an awakening, we started crawling out of our shells and looking around again. After the New Year, the attendance at our events

picked up, and the Club is buzzing with activity once again. We had about eighty people at the Taurus happy hour, over sixty at Doc Dammers, and thirty of us went to the Coconut Grove Playhouse to see "I am not Rappaport!". And what a wonderful evening it was! Most of us met early and had dinner in the Grove, then headed for the theatre. Judd Hirsch and Ben Vereen were absolutely fabulous in this captivating play, and the whole evening went by much too quickly.

There is renewed interest in our trips as well. As I have mentioned in an earlier Newsletter, we had an incredible start this season, selling a huge number of our ski trip slots very early on. Which turned out to be even more fortunate than we thought, as after 9-11, everything came to a grinding halt. Had we not had those early spots sold, we would have been in very serious trouble indeed. We have had to cut many trips back a lot further than we wanted to, but had to do it to minimize our risk. Now the interest in the trips is coming back, but unfortunately some of the trips had already been closed out at lower numbers. We have been able to expand some trips again, but not all. The good news is, the light at the end of the tunnel doesn't seem to be the oncoming train, and we may have a successful year after all, even if not up to our original expectations.

As you can see in this issue, there is a lot going on in February. I would like to encourage you to come to the Rusty Pelican on the fifteenth and attend our election meeting. A great way to find out what is going on with this Club of yours, ask questions and voice your opinions. We also have a couple of trips coming up. The New Orleans outing is something I have wanted to do for some time, but this year it became financially doable, and we seized the opportunity. I am sure we'll have a fabulous time, and I hope that you will join us. The Chile trip is also remarkable. Ski trips to South America are traditionally rather pricey, but our trip to Vale Nevado is an unbelievable bargain. All top notch and at a ridiculous price. I hope that you will consider it as well.

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Elections

Time has come to elect new Officers for the 2002 - 2004 term! Our biannual business meeting will take place on **Friday, February 15, 6:00 PM** in the Coral Room at the **Rusty Pelican**, 3201 Rickenbacker Causeway, Key Biscayne. We will do our usual share of socializing, followed by the introduction of candidates and their qualifications. We will then open the meeting for floor nominations. At the same time, we would like to hold a question and answer session with the Executive Committee. If you have any concerns, suggestions, questions or ideas, this would be the perfect opportunity to voice them.

The current **candidates** for office are as follows:
for **President** - Jena Rissman (current Secretary)
for **Vice President** - Cathy Stahlmann (now Treasurer)
for **Secretary** - Tricia Jacobs (our Membership Dir.)
for **Treasurer** - Abbe Bendell (current VP) and Gus Schrader (this year's Snowmass trip leader). And the **Past President's** spot will be filled by George Ondricek.

Over the years, our Snowballs have become strictly social affairs, and we are left with only one true "business meeting", which happens every other year. Well, this is it, and we would like to make sure you are there!

Bike ride

Sunday, February 3, 10:00AM

With the beautiful weather, this is a great way to spend your Sunday morning! This month, we will meet at the George Ondricek's, 17145 SW 80 Ct, (305) 234-7344. We will ride to **Black Point Marina** and stop for a wonderful lunch at the **Pirate's Den** and maybe enjoy some live reggae music. E-mail **Sabina** at SabinaVT@bellsouth.net to let us know you will be there, or call (305) 888-SNOW to leave a message.

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Jazz in New Orleans

May 18 - 21, 2002

What could be more fun than a four day weekend in New Orleans? Spring is the perfect time of the year to visit Crescent City, home to some of the best Jazz and Cajun cuisine on this planet. Naturally, we will stay right in the heart of things, on Rue Decatur, smack in the French Quarter. The Historic **French Market Inn** has been restored to its original level of graciousness, with richly detailed decor and antique furnishings, accented with modern details like cable TV, a pool and hot tub, Fax and concierge services, complimentary cocktails and continental breakfast. Only steps away from Jackson Square, Natches Landing, the Casino and the French Market, you will experience the best of Vieux Carre.

We are still finalizing the details, but **\$495** should get you round trip air fare, three nights lodging with daily breakfast, and of course a banquet dinner. Space is very limited, so make sure to sign up early! Contact **George Ondricek** at golitarts@aol.com or call (305) 234-7344.

Summer ski trip

Vale Nevado, Chile, \$1,425 including lift tickets
August 31 - September 10, 2002

Come and escape the South Florida summer with the Miami Ski Club! Vale 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 Vale 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 \$1,425 price, which is per person, based on a double occupancy. Contact trip leader **Lag Giannino** at Lgiannino@aol.com or call (305) 661-4957.



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24	25	26	27	28	Please note that the Bimini Boat Yard happy hour moved to the second Friday (this month only)!		

1 6 pm
SUNSET TAVERN
South Miami

3 10:00 am
BIKE RIDE

8 6 pm
BIMINI BOAT YARD
Ft. Lauderdale

10 2 PM
Big Sky Pre-trip party

12
Board meeting

13 8:00 pm
THEATRE NIGHT

15 6 pm
MSC ELECTIONS
Rusty Pelican

16
Big Sky trip departs

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President's Day

21
Japan & China trip departs

22 6 pm
O'CASEY'S
Pinecrest

26 6:30 pm
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