



News Letter

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

APRIL 2003

Happy Hours

April 4, 6 PM

Bolero in the Grove
Sonesta Hotel & Suites
2889 McFarlane Rd (8th floor terrace)
Coconut Grove (305) 774-1113

April 11, 6 PM

Tobacco Road
626 S. Miami Ave
Downtown Miami (305) 374-1198

April 26, 7 PM - 11 PM (Saturday)

SPRINGFEST at Parrot Jungle
1111 Parrot Jungle Trail,
McArthur Causeway, Miami
(305) 400-7000

Dine-a-round

Tuesday, April 22, 6:30 PM

LA PALMA RISTORANTE

116 Alhambra Circle, Coral Gables (305) 445-8777

A well-known historical landmark with exceptional cuisine and beautiful courtyard. Join us for dinner under the stars. The menu includes: *Carpaccio Cipriani (Beef tenderloin thin slices with extra virgin olive oil, shaved parmesan cheese and lemon), Caesar Salad, Vitello Lombarda (veal scallops sauteed with white wine & lemon), Pollo Marsala or Tortelloni Romeo E Giuletta (homemade pasta filled spinach & ricotta cheese tossed with a fresh tomato and basil). Tiramisu or Cream Caramel, a glass of white or red wine, and American coffee.* Make check payable to the **Miami Ski Club** and send to **Phil Ludovici**, 17415 S. Dixie Hwy, Miami, FL 33157. **Members \$37** and \$39 for guests. You must make reservations no later than April 18th! Any questions, call Phil at **(305) 235-2161**, or Tricia Jacobs at **(305) 447-1000**.

Bike ride

Sunday, April 13, 9:45 AM

Matheson Hammock Park
9610 Old Cutler Rd., Miami, (305) 665-5475

Let's take advantage of the weather before the real summer gets here! We'll meet in the small parking lot just inside the main gate at 9:30 am. At 10 am, we'll mount our bikes and head along Old Cutler Road into the Grove, to have a water side lunch at Scottie's Landing. Then back to Matheson Park, where we'll have a cooler with some cold drinks and munchies, so we can hang out and enjoy the afternoon. For specifics, call **Cathy Stahlmann** at **(305) 607-8840** or e-mail vicepresident@miami-skiclub.net.

Theatre night

Wednesday, April 30, 8 PM

ONCE REMOVED by Eduardo Machado
Coconut Grove Playhouse
3500 Main Highway (305) 442-4000

Seeds of humor, social comment, sorrow and satire explode as Lucie Amaz stars in this tale of five privileged Cuban exiles who have fled Castro's Cuba a few months prior to the 1961 Bay of Pigs fiasco. Once wealthy, they're now poor foreigners who move first to Hialeah and then, lured by the promise of food, housing and jobs from Presbyterians in Texas, to Dallas. What unfolds is a "bittersweet comedy satire of displacement and alienation."

Club members **\$29**, guests \$34, for the first 15 seats. Please make checks payable to Miami Ski Club and mail to **Sabina Van Tuyn**, 7269 SW 54 Ave, Miami, FL 33143. Checks must be received by April 6. After this date, we won't be able to secure extra seats at the discounted price. Contact SpecialEvents@miamiskiclub.net or **(305) 662-SNOW**.



Letter from the Prez...

It's that time of the month again when I sit down at my computer and put pen to paper to provide you with a brief summary of the current status of the goings on around the Club. As reported last month, we kicked the ski season off right in January with rave reviews on Winter Park and Vail. February has come and gone with equal enthusiasm. Reports are in and both Interlaken and Park City were AMAZING! The snow gods shined on both destinations so that the participants enjoyed a "powdery" week of skiing. We had quite a celebration on the slopes of Interlaken as David Lucking (the drafted "assistant trip leader") proposed to our very own trip leader, Michelle Dunaj. Good news, SHE SAID YES! Sources close to the couple say that a Fiji tribal wedding ceremony is on the agenda for early summer. CONGRATULATIONS DAVE AND MICHELLE! The Park City group generated their own bit of excitement. Sorry, no engagements that we know of in Park City, but we understand there were a hot air balloon ride, dinner at the Old Salt Jail, and an outrageous extension trip to Snowbird. Many thanks go out to Gail West, trip leader for Park City, and Michelle Dunaj, trip leader for Interlaken, for making the February trips memorable for all!

February also brought the opening (and selling out) of the Africa excursion. As you all know, that is if you read the Newsletters over the last several months or attended any happy hours recently, George has been marketing the Africa trip with great fervor. Well, it really paid off! We received approximately 10 mail-in applications and another 35 plus in-person applications on Friday night at Bice at the Grand Bay Hotel in Coconut Grove. The trip opened at 6:00 p.m. and by 6:20 p.m. it was sold out with a waiting list. AMAZING! I'd personally like to thank all of you for your mature and orderly behavior on Friday night. It really allowed the application process to proceed smoothly. I'd also like to thank George for his forethought in creating a very organized procedure (is anyone surprised?) for submitting and receiving applications. Read more about the Africa trip later in the Newsletter.

As you can see upon a review of the rest of the Newsletter, we are already gearing up for the close of this fiscal year and the beginning of the next. In this regard, we are looking for trip leaders for the 2004 ski season. If you are interested, and we hope many of you are, please submit your Trip Leader's Application (included with this Newsletter) ASAP. Before the publication of the July Newsletter, we will have secured our trips for 2004 and selected trip leaders. Please do not delay. Also, it's time to start renewing your memberships. As a reminder, your 2003 membership expires on May 31, 2003. Don't forget to renew. Lastly, Springfest is scheduled for April 26 with limited space available. It should be a spectacular event at the new Parrot Jungle. Please R.S.V.P. early to ensure your space. Read on in the Newsletter for all the detail on Springfest. Look forward to seeing you there!

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president@miamiskiclub.net

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Keys weekend

The summer is almost here again! And what better way to kick it off, than to hang out with your Ski Club buddies down in the fabulous Keys! So set the weekend of **June 20** aside for three days and two nights of tropical frolic at Islamorada! This will include a Saturday night dinner and deluxe breakfast both days. Of course, we'll do a snorkeling trip as well. And as Sandie Margoluis is in the saddle on this one, you know you'll be in good hands!

Africa update

September 19 - October 4, 2004 \$3,995

We must have set a record with this trip! It went on sale on Friday, February 28, at our happy hour in the Grand Bay Hotel, Coconut Grove. Not only did this event attract over 90 members, but going by the atomic clock brought in for this occasion, we opened the trip up 6 PM (that's 1800 hours sharp), and by 6:20, we started a wait list! So if you are

thinking about joining us on this fabulous adventure, we suggest you act soon. The wait list is still fairly short, and we expect it to clear up pretty soon (we have already had our first cancellation). To get more information, log on to miamiskiclub.com, go to TRIPS and then AFRICA. Or you can just give me a call and ask away. By the way, if you are on the wait list, your deposit will not be cashed until a spot opens up and you get placed on the trip. Contact George Ondricek **(305) 234-7344** or e-mail at africa@miamiskiclub.net. Don't miss out!

Chile ski trip

Valle Nevado, Chile, \$1,700 including lift tickets
August 13 - 23, 2003



Valle Nevado

Lag Giannino has outdone himself again. We are pleased to present this encore ski trip. Last year we took over 50 people on an awesome ski trip in August. The feedback from last year's trip was tremendous.

So don't miss out. 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 in to Santiago, relax in the five star Regal Pacific Hotel, enjoy breakfast, a 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 \$250. Ski rentals, gratuities and departure taxes are not included in the **\$1,700 price**, which is per person, based on a double occupancy.

If you are interested in this trip, please act now! Contact trip leader **Lag Giannino** at Chile@miamiskiclub.net or call **(561) 747-8221**.

Please note that prices are subject to change resulting from currency fluctuations. Also, trip cancellation insurance is strongly recommended.



Memberships

Yes, it's membership renewal time! Your 2002-2003 membership expires May 31, 2003. We really are a lot of fun. Here is what **this old club** is about:

We are a **ski club** that hosts eight orso ski trips a year. Incredible destinations like Europe, Canada, Colorado, and Utah.

We are a **travel club** that has been to Australia, New Zealand, Japan, Europe, China, New Orleans and the Keys. This year we are headed to Africa.

We are a **social club** that does gourmet dinners, happy hours, theatre nights, concerts, and lots more.

We are an **outdoors club** that enjoys biking, scuba diving, snorkeling, camping, etc. You name it, we've probably done it, and we'll do it again!

Finally, we are a **fun club**. That's what it's all about. We are just a bunch of folks out to have some fun. You really don't have to do much when the Miami Ski Club plans an event. All you have to do really, is show up and have a great time! And if you do it often enough, you come to realize that you have made some really great friends.

Get on board!

The Miami Ski Club needs your help. Did you enjoy the dine-around, have a blast skiing at some exotic destination, thumb through the last issue of the Miami Skier, or dance at the last Snowball? Or maybe you hooked up with some friends at happy hour. If you look at the Newsletters, you will see that there is a continuous barrage of activities. All of these events and publications were conceived, organized and executed by someone on the Club's board. We need to keep the momentum alive. We need fresh faces and fresh ideas. We need you.

So what is it all about? The board meets monthly to discuss past events, up-coming activities, ski trips, and membership. We brainstorm and strategize. How can we make the club more fun, how can we reach new members? Here is where the ball starts rolling. It is the board that makes it happen.

This is your club and without some of you taking the time to pitch-in, there would be no club. What can you do? We need planners, organizers, computer geeks, public relations types, writers, and sales people. The pay is zero, but the rewards are priceless. So - **ask not what the Club can do for you, ask what you can do for the Club!**

Trips update

What a great season! Breckenridge has just departed as our last trip of the ski season. I am proud to say, that all of our trips this year were well attended - no small thanks to our trip leaders. Thanks.

What about 2003-04? Well, we are hot on the trail, lining up next year's menu. We have confirmed Vail, Snowmass, and Heavenly. We are in the process of reviewing contracts for Telluride or Sun Valley for February and Winter Park or Keystone for spring break. We will do our best to improve flight schedules - ie. direct flights and at reasonable hours. We are also considering a Europe ski trip. Proposals include St. Moritz, Zermatt, and St Anton. Still have not forgotten Scandinavia/Russia. We are looking for a tour operator that can handle this type of trip.

We are also offering a great trip to Chile this summer. If you didn't go last year, here is your second chance. You will notice that prices have gone up since last year. United Airlines has pulled out of the Latin American market, so cheap air is scarce. I still think that this has to be one of the best deals out there.

Cathy

Trip leaders needed!

Just when we get the last trip out, it's time to start preparing for next year's line-up. If you truly want to become an integral part of this Club and make a bunch of new friends, this is really the best way to do it. We need enthusiastic, fun loving, well organized heroes to head our trips. We've taken care of the hard part - we booked the resort, the hotel, the air, and the buses. Now it's your turn. As trip leader, you will take charge of promoting, selling, and organizing the trip. This means you will be answering questions, signing people up, collecting money, and planning dinners and happy hours at the resort. This is really a great way to give back to the Club.

So what's in it for you? As trip leader you will not only get a free trip, but you will have the satisfaction of putting together a memorable vacation. It really is something to see first time skiers or even first timers with the Club, rave about the great time they had, just because of your hard work.

We will have a great array of trips in 2003-04. So sign up and be apart of the action.

For more information call **Cathy** at (305) 607-8840 or e-mail vicepresident@miamiskiclub.net



Membership Application

SOURCE CODE
NL-04-03

LAST NAME _____ SEX _____

FIRST NAME _____ MIDDLE INITIAL _____

ADDRESS _____

_____ APT. _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ WORK PHONE _____

E-MAIL _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____

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 "A club for all seasons"
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 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
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INDIVIDUAL Available to individuals over the age of 18	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50	<input type="checkbox"/> \$60
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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
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ASSOCIATE Individuals or families residing more than 100 miles from Miami International Airport	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35
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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
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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!

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 _____

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 _____

SPRINGFEST!

Number of skiers attending, **free** to all 2003 ski trip participants (no party packs)

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

Number of non-members (\$50 ea.)

PLEASE INDICATE YOUR FOOD CHOICES:

Number of chicken entrees

Number of Salmon entrees

R.S.V.P. FOR SAFARI SPRINGFEST 2003

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 2003 ski trips, your admission is **free**. For other members, who did not ski with us, this fabulous evening can be attended at a bargain **\$45**. For non-members, the charge is \$50. 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 20, 2003.

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!

TRIP YOU WENT ON: _____

\$

TOTAL AMOUNT OF CHECK ENCLOSED

DETACH HERE AND MAIL IN



SAFARI SPRINGFEST! SATURDAY, APRIL 26

This will be the party of the year. The new Parrot Jungle will host our dinner in the Tree Top Room overlooking the garden area. We will enjoy cocktails on the Royal Palm Verandah, and later be seated inside for a lovely dinner of chicken or salmon, salad and followed by dessert, coffee or tea. Join us for an evening to remember that will include dancing to the music of Boogie Man George, old friends, new friends, a wonderful dinner, cash bar, door prizes, and just lots of jungle fun. Wear your favorite Safari outfits or African prints and do not forget your pith helmet!

Parrot Jungle Island

1111 Parrot Jungle Trail McArthur Causeway, Miami
(305) 400-7000 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

If you skied this year with the Club, FREE
MEMBERS \$45.00 per person GUESTS \$50.00 per person
Self Parking-\$5.00 Valet-\$8.00

Please RSVP by April 20 to Sandie Margoluis (305) 596-9311 or return this form to 11225 SW 112 Street, Miami, Florida 33176. Make checks payable to the Miami Ski Club. **You must RSVP to reserve a space!**



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April 2003		1 <i>April Fool's Day</i>	2	3	4 6 pm BOLERO Coconut Grove	5
6 <i>Daylight saving time</i>	7	8	9	10	11 6 pm TOBACCO ROAD Miami	12
13 9:45 am BIKE RIDE Matheson	14	15 <i>Board meeting</i>	16 <i>Passover</i>	17 <i>Passover</i>	18 <i>Good Friday</i>	19
20 <i>Easter Sunday</i>	21	22 6:30 pm LA PALMA Coral Gables	23	24	25	26 SPRINGFEST 2003
27	28	29	30 8 pm THEATRE Coconut Grove	Mark your calendar and reserve April 26th for our Springfest!		