



# News Letter

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

SEPTEMBER 2003

## Happy Hours

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**September 5, 6-8 PM**

**Tiki Bar at Grove Isle**  
4 Grove Isle Drive  
Coconut Grove (305) 858-8300

**September 12, 7 PM**

**SNOWBALL!**  
Rusty Pelican, Key Biscayne

**September 19, 7 PM**

**Nando**  
2500 East Hallandale Beach Blvd.  
Hallandale Florida (954) 457-7379

## Last dive

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**Saturday, September 20, 7:30 AM - 12:30 PM**  
**Silent World Dive Center, Key Largo**

Dive the north end of John Pennekamp National Marine Sanctuary. We will be doing a wreck in 40'-50' of water and a 30'-40' reef or two 30'-40' reefs depending on conditions. Cost for the trip and crew tip is \$40 for MSC members and \$45 for non-members. Call **Bill** at (305) 606-8358 or e-mail [billg@adventuretravelclubs.com](mailto:billg@adventuretravelclubs.com) if you have questions or need tanks or gear. Please send checks made out to MSC to **Bill Griffin**, 6800 SW 40th St., #461, Miami, FL 33155. There are only 12 spots available, so please get your checks in soon.

Directions are: As you enter Key Largo from the north at MM 106 there is a Circle K on the left. Just South of the Circle K you will see an A-frame building on the left. Do a U-turn in front of the A-frame building and go back north a block and a half and turn right on Garden Cove Drive. Go down Garden Cove Drive 3 miles and you will see the Silent World dock on the right. Tanks, Best Fishes and Sea Ya in the Keys!

## Bike ride

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**September 14, 4:00 PM**

Spend a late afternoon with us riding through Shark Valley. This 15 mile course will give you a great start to strengthen the legs for ski season. Meet at **4 PM** at the gate (\$4 per person park admission). We will stop half way for a rest and photos. Please remember to bring plenty of water and any snacks you'd like to share along the way. Depending on interest, we will likely stop for a fun dinner after.

Take Tamiami Trail 18 miles west past Krome Ave. For more details call **Cathy** at (305) 607-8840. Please let us know if you're coming.

## Dine-a-round

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**Thursday, September 18, 7 PM**  
**Blue Café Restaurant & Lounge**  
18290 Collins Ave., Sunny Isles Bch (305) 682-2223

The Blue Café serves up delectable Mediterranean "Haute" Cuisine & succulent signature dishes. Choose from: *Caesar Salad*, *soup of the day* or *spinach salad with citrus lemon vinaigrette*, *grilled chicken breasts in a mushroom sauce with garlic roasted potatoes*, *Sautéed fillet of St Peter in a caper sauce with fresh vegetables of the day* or an *8oz skirt steak with caramelized shallots and French fries*. For dessert, *Hot chocolate crepes* or a *Home-baked cinnamon apple tart with caramel sauce and coffee*. The cafe also offers one bottle of wine between every two diners with a choice of Italian Merlots, Cabernet Sauvignons, Chardonnay and Pinot Grigio. Join us at **7 pm** for 2 for 1 cocktails at the bar and complimentary appetizers. Members **\$32** Guests **\$34**. Please send your check payable to the Miami Ski Club and mail to: **John Garner**, 16500 Collins Ave, Apt 1554, Oceanic Tower 5, Sunny Isles, FL 33160 (786) 402-8200 or e-mail him at: [jgdutyfree@aol.com](mailto:jgdutyfree@aol.com)



## Letter from the Prez...

Well if you weren't at the picnic, you missed out. We had awesome weather (reasonably warm, but no rain), delicious food, and an excellent turnout. The Holiday Inn is oceanside with a cement pond and a great beach. What a great way to kick off the sale of our trips. And it was a flurry. Vail, our start-off trip, has come very close to being sold out. We actually have a lot of interest in the two week trip with Snowmass, which happens to be an annual trek for me. I find that the second week is when I have the breakthrough – I'm now used to the altitude, skis on the ends of

my toes are almost natural, and the pain from the pulled muscles has started to subside. Each year, I'm painfully reminded that I am no longer 21! We usually have a gang of about ten or more who do the two weeker and we have a ball! So think about it – but not too long. Based on the enthusiasm over this year's trip selection, I expect that we will have a banner year. Don't wait too long to sign-up, you just might miss out.

For the next major Club events, we have some great venues. On September 12, we have the first Snowball at the Rusty Pelican. We are getting door prizes, food, and a DJ. There really won't be a good excuse to miss out on this good time. Again, we will have our trip leaders on hand to sign you up on a great vacation, filled with great friends. For the October event, we are doing something a little different. We will be headed to Parrot Jungle for a Sunday picnic. Why, you ask? Historically, the October Friday night Snowball has not had stellar turnouts – don't know why. So, we thought we would make the best of the wonderful October weather and invite you to tour the new Parrott Jungle, and we'll also add a barbeque. The admission price for Club members is FREE! But, you will have to RSVP. We will be limited in the number of people and walk-ins may not be able to get this great price. So mark your calendar for October 26, 12:00 to 3:00PM. I'll be there, will you?

Finally, I want to thank those of you who have sent me letters and information on ski venues for next year. From the feedback thus far, Switzerland and Austria seem to be favorites for Europe. I mentioned to you last time that Andora is the Florida Ski Council pick for 2005. We will preview it, to check it out. Then, we can make an informed decision as to whether this would be a good choice for the Club. Feel free to let me know your thoughts on this. Some of you also sent in information on Australia and New Zealand. About eight years ago, we actually ran a very successful trip down under. I think this should be on the short list of places to go. I had a wonderful time and I still periodically look at the pictures. Cheers!

Cathy Stahlmann  
[president@miamiskiclub.net](mailto:president@miamiskiclub.net) (305) 607-8840

### 2003 GOLF TOURNAMENT AND SPA DAY SEPTEMBER 20 Come out and support CHARLEE - Homes for Children

Join the Foley Group of Merrill Lynch on September 20, 2003 for their 2003 golf tournament and spa day to benefit the Charlee program. This is truly a worthy cause that provides care for abused children in our community. To sign up for the golf tournament go to [www.tournevents.com/CHARLEE](http://www.tournevents.com/CHARLEE). If you'd prefer to join Spa Day, or if your spouse would like to join you and attend the dinner and silent auction, please download the information forms from the web site under NEWS Spa Day and/or Dinner Only or by contacting [johanna\\_rizo-noales@ml.com](mailto:johanna_rizo-noales@ml.com) or call (305) 577-6959.



**CHARLEE**  
*Homes for Children*

# Above board

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Hey, we had another great meeting. We still have lots of enthusiasm – in fact we are getting ready for our next big Club event, the September Snowball on September 12, 2003 at the Rusty Pelican. If you are looking to get involved, we are always looking for help. We need volunteers to check-in members, sign-up new members, and to help with setting up decorations before the guests arrive. Let me know, we definitely could use your help. We also are looking for help throughout the year. Many of you have already volunteered to host a dine-a-round or a happy hour. We greatly appreciate you stepping up. To be honest, running an event – dinner out, a happy hour, or even a special event like a bike ride or an evening sail, is the perfect way to meet really great people. All it takes is a few hours, and at the same time you will have a blast. We have a great Board of Directors, but they cannot do it all themselves. They need your help.

Something we would like to re-ignite is the phone committee. The purpose of this committee is to call up past members that have not renewed. I think that this will serve two purposes: one – we will remind some to renew, which is great. And two, we may find that there are areas where we need to improve. You don't know until you ask. Perhaps this will be one of the most valuable lessons. Additionally, we will be asking for your feedback at the end of our major ski and adventure trips – something that is long overdue. We will have forms available at the end of the trip as well as on-line. I feel that it is important that the membership have a voice in what is going well and what is not. We will be asking about venues, organization and trip leaders. I honestly think that this will lead to further improvement.

# September Snowball

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**Rusty Pelican**  
**September 12, 2003, 7:00 PM**

Come out and join in the fun for our kickoff Snowball on September 12, 2003. We will have great food, music, dancing, and prizes. Of course, our trip leaders will be on hand to answer questions and to sign you up on any one of our fantastic trips. As a quick reminder, please complete the attached RSVP form and send it in. See you there.  
**Members free** and Guests \$20.00.

# Trips update

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Boy, how about that picnic on July 27th! We had great weather, great food, a great turnout and a lot of interest in our Winter Ski trips. Vail was a big seller with over 32 checks presented for deposit. At the same time, we saw a lot of action at the other tables as well. St. Anton for instance, is an excellent choice, excellent skiing with endless slopes and haute cuisine. We've even added a couple of nights in Salzburg to help you ease back to work. Snowmass is also a great choice, either as a stand alone or as a two-week trip with Vail. From your hotel, you can see Snowmass in all of its glory. At the same time you have quick and easy access to Buttermilk, Ajax, and Aspen Mountain. Telluride is also a great choice, although I may be a little swayed by the trip leader. Telluride is an old mining town and Main Street has been photographed countless times with its distinctive antique clock. If you are looking for something special, Telluride is your choice. Heavenly really is not far from heaven. From the slopes you can catch a breathtaking view of Lake Tahoe. Of course there will be plenty of parties and gambling – so come out and take a chance. Finally, Keystone will play host to our annual Spring Break trip – Here is where we cater to families and especially kids. During this trip, Kids will rule.

Don't wait too long, you will miss out. Some of our trips are near closing out and we are trying to see if we can get more hotel rooms and airline seats. To stay up to date, go to [www.miamiskiclub.com](http://www.miamiskiclub.com) and click on TRIPS. If you know an interesting place for winter skiing, we are always looking for venues and adventures. So let us know of any of your ideas. Send your ideas to [vicepresident@miamiskiclub.net](mailto:vicepresident@miamiskiclub.net).

# October picnic

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**Parrot Jungle**  
**October 26, 2003, 12:00 to 3:00PM**

Join us for an all American picnic at the new Parrot Jungle on the McArthur Causeway. What a great way to visit the birds in their new home! October is the perfect time of the year to enjoy an afternoon with great friends. Of course you will be able to sign-up for an awesome ski vacation. We will be providing a barbeque lunch. Check the next newsletter for sign-up materials and all the details.

# **Miami Ski Club 2004 winter ski trips**

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All prices include air, lodging, pre-trip party, daily breakfast, trip banquet, admission to Springfest, and are based on double occupancy. Other information such as single supplement and land only deductions are available.

## **Vail, Colorado, January 10- 17, 2004**

**\$1,695**

**Laurie Hendrickson (954) 442-1602**     [Vail@miamiskiclub.net](mailto:Vail@miamiskiclub.net)

This Florida Ski Council trip will be the vacation of a lifetime. We are staying at the luxurious Vail Marriott in the heart of Lions Head Square and paces away from the lift. The Marriott just underwent \$40 million in renovations including wonderfully appointed rooms, European spa, and first class service. We have ordered buffet breakfast for everyone with made to order omlettes and waffles. Vail, of course, continues to be North America's premier resort boasting awesome powder days and haut cuisine. Don't miss out!

## **Snowmass, Colorado, January 17 - 24, 2004**

**\$1,450**

**Cindy Oliver (305) 387-3514**     [Snowmass@Miamiskiclub.net](mailto:Snowmass@Miamiskiclub.net)

Nothing goes better with Vail than Snowmass. We will be staying at the Stonebridge Inn known for its quaint lodge atmosphere with its cozy fireplace lounge area for memorable apres ski. Snowmass skiing remains a Colorado favorite with access to Aspen Highlands, Ajax, and Buttermilk. Looking for a great night life- You cannot go wrong in Snowmass or downtown Aspen. Daily breakfast is included.

## **Vail /Snowmass combination, January 10 - 24, 2004**

**\$2,625**

**Laurie Hendrickson (954) 442-1602**     [Vail@miamiskiclub.net](mailto:Vail@miamiskiclub.net)

## **St. Anton/ Salzburg, Austria, January 24 - February 2, 2004**

**\$1,625**

**Bernd Meier (305) 648-0783**     [StAnton@miamiskiclub.net](mailto:StAnton@miamiskiclub.net)

Yes, we are off to the Austrian Alps! This is a wonderful European vacation. This pocket of the Alps reports abundant snow with slopes to challenge serious skiers and coddle novices. We will be staying 7 nights at the Hotel Karl Schranz (\*\*\*\*)which includes daily breakfast and dinner. This tyrolean hotel is fully equipped with sauna, solarium, steam bath and massage facilities. We've also added 2 nights in Salzburg at the Hotel Mercure\*\*\*\* (breakfast included) offering some of the best sights in Europe. Enjoy!

## **Telluride, Colorado, February 7 - 14, 2004**

**\$1,425**

**Jennifer West (305) 382-7530**     [Telluride@miamiskiclub.net](mailto:Telluride@miamiskiclub.net)

Over the years, Telluride has been a Club favorite. The scenery is spectacular and the skiing is fun. We will be staying at the Ice House in the heart of town and steps away from the lift. The Ice House has some of the best drinks in the rockies and is a fun place to swap stories after a long day of skiing. Also, Telluride, a real mining town, offers both reasonably priced restaurants as well as gourmet dining experiences. Daily breakfast included.

## **Heavenly, Nevada, March 13 - 20, 2004**

**\$1,395**

**David Lucking (305) 445-6701**     [Heavenly@miamiskiclub.net](mailto:Heavenly@miamiskiclub.net)

This will be the second Florida Ski Council trip of the season. We are flying into Reno and staying at the Embassy Suites which are basically small apartments. Cook to order breakfasts and evening receptions with appetizers are the hallmark of the Embassy Suites. Take the riverboat across Lake Tahoe and ski Squaw Valley. Of course there is plenty of gambling to be had as well. Perhaps enough winnings to pay for the trip!

## **Keystone, Colorado, March 27 - April 3, 2004**

**\$1,275**

**Burt & Joan Weiss (305) 651-2205**     [Keystone@miamiskiclub.net](mailto:Keystone@miamiskiclub.net)

Bring the family out to Keystone for springbreak. At the Inn at Keystone, you are a short walk to the lifts or an even shorter shuttle ride. Keystone prides itself as being family oriented, providing activity passports for deals on tubing, skating, and other activities. The best thing about Keystone it that your lift pass gives you access to A-Basin (usually open through June), Breckenridge, and Vail. Regular shuttle service between resorts is available. Daily continental breakfast is included.

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# SEPTEMBER SNOWBALL RSVP

Please return this form **by September 7, 2003** to **Sandie Margoluis**  
11225 S.W. 112 Street Miami, FL 33176 or call Sandie at (305) 596-9311 to make reservations.  
**You must respond, so we have enough food!**

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TOTAL ENCLOSED

PLEASE DETACH HERE AND MAIL TO SANDIE MARGOLUIS 11225 S.W. 112 Street Miami, FL 33176

**7 PM, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12th, RUSTY PELICAN, KEY BISCAYNE**

# MAGIC MADNESS SNOWBALL!

**TIME: 7:00 PM TILL 11:00 PM**

**ATTIRE: THINK BLACK - THINK MAGIC - THINK FUN!**

*Ski trips are on sale so bring your checkbook to guarantee a spot in your favorite ski resort!*

*We will have a buffet of salad, pasta, dessert, coffee or tea and of course, a cash bar.*

*Door prizes, music of Boogie Man George for dancing, and perhaps you will witness a bit of magic that will boggle your mind. We always have a great time at our Snowballs, so don't miss out on the first one of the year! Meet your old friends, pick up some new ones, and enjoy the evening with one of the prettiest views in Miami. Free valet parking.*

RSVP IS A MUST! CALL SANDIE MARGOLUIS AT (305) 596-9311 OR MAIL IN THE ABOVE COUPON.  
MEMBERS FREE GUESTS \$20.00



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7 5 pm <i>Africa pre-trip party</i>	8	9	10	11	<b>12</b> 7 pm <b>SNOWBALL</b> Rusty Pelican	13
<b>14</b> 4 pm <b>BIKE RIDE</b> Shark Valley	15	16 <i>Board meeting</i>	17	<b>18</b> 7 pm <b>BLUE CAFE</b> Dine-a-round	<b>19</b> 7 pm <b>NANDO</b> Hallandale	<b>20</b> <b>KEYS DIVE TRIP</b>
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