



# News Letter

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

AUGUST 2005

## Happy hours

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**August 5, 6-8 PM** (appetizers!)  
**Tula Ristorante**  
Omni Colonnade Hotel, (305) 569-6511  
180 Aragon Avenue, Coral Gables

**August 12, 6-8 PM** (appetizers!)  
**Tu Tu Tango**  
Cocowalk 2nd floor, (305) 529-2222  
Coconut Grove

**August 19, 6-8 PM** (Keys weekend kick-off)  
**Truman's Bar**  
(in the marina complex)  
**Hawk's Cay Resort** (800) 432-2242  
MM 61 Florida Keys

**August 26, 6-8 PM** (appetizers!)  
**Posh Wine Bar**  
in the Waverly Condo, (954) 763-3553  
110 N. Federal Highway  
Fort Lauderdale

## Boynton dive

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**Sunday, August 7, 2005 8:00 AM**  
**SunStar Aquatic Services, (561) 368-9952**  
418 N. River Drive - Boca Raton

We will be diving the best-kept secret in Florida - the reefs of Boca Raton on the diveboat *Diversity*. The *Diversity* is wide and spacious with areas aboard for sun and shade. There's a large swim platform, freshwater shower, onboard facilities, beverages and snacks. This is the start of the lobster season - bring your lobster license and catch bugs! Prices are: **\$50** for the two tank dive, **\$70** if renting tanks and weights, and **\$90** if you need to rent all your gear. Reserve by the Wednesday before at the latest! For more information, please contact our dive coordinator **Norris Wolford** at **(305) 710-4081** or **dives@miamiskiclub.com** for more information.

## Picnic

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**Sunday, July 31, 2005 at high noon!**  
**Holiday Inn - Hollywood Beach**  
**2711 South Ocean Drive, (954) 923-8700**

Lunch is served from 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM. Enjoy lunch and the afternoon with us. If you were there last year, you know what a great time everyone had, and if you missed it - you should not miss it this year! Our trips always go on sale for the first time at the picnic and some sell out that fast. **Members are FREE**, guests \$20. Please be sure to **RSVP** to **Sandie Margoluis** at **membershipevents@miamiskiclub.net**, or **(305) 596-5822**, as we need to get an accurate count of people attending. By the same token - if you RSVP and can not attend we need to know that as well. If you wish to swim in the pool or beach, be sure to bring your own towels. Rooms will be provided for changing, but not storage. This is truly a fun day on the beach with good BBQ food - all for free, just because you are a member of the MSC!

## Dine-a-round

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**Tuesday, August 30 6:30 PM**  
**Chocolate Restaurant, (305) 858-9088**  
2091 Coral Way, Miami

Cocktails (wine/beer) are at 6:30 PM and dinner is at 7 PM. Begin with a delicious *salad* consisting of *arugula mix*, *strawberries*, and *shaved chocolate*. Then you have a choice of *baby Corvina fish with artichoke/sun-dried tomato sauce*, or *Argentine steak in a pink peppercorn sauce and the accompaniments*. To end this meal, we have a *surprise dessert* served with coffee or tea. All this for **\$42** for **members** and \$45 for guests. Please make checks payable to Miami Ski Club and mail to **Sandie Margoluis**, 11225 SW 112 St., Miami, FL 33176. For information, you can call Sandie at **(305) 596-5822**. This dinner is limited to 24 persons!



## Letter from the Prez...

Well, I think we are off to a great start. During the month of June we had some really fun events where we saw excellent participation. For me, some of the highlights included the happy hour at the Biltmore Hotel, where we saw over 80 members in attendance! Many of you slogged through rain to get there, but it was a fun party. If you joined us on the Kayak trip in the Keys, you know we had a great time with 24 Ski Club members paddling our way through mangroves and creeks. We were all well armed with mosqui-

to repellent and sunscreen, so it was a lot of fun. Some of us even broke rank for a quick dip in the ocean, as there had not been any capsized boats - almost disappointing, given my efforts. Another fun event was our Dine-a-round at Emeril's on Miami Beach. We stuffed ourselves with a five course gourmet meal - absolutely delicious!

I'm looking forward to August, as we kick off our 2006 ski trip sales. Your first opportunity to sign-up will be the July 30 Picnic. You will have a great opportunity to meet your trip leaders, have an awesome lunch and enjoy drinks at the bar by the beach. Do not forget your bathing suit and sun block. There will be plenty of sun and fun by the pool and in the ocean. In this Newsletter, we have provided you with teasers and base pricing for this year's trip. We have done everything we possibly could to get you decent air and great accommodations. I think you will be pleased with our menu of trips and our prices. I will tell you though, flights are a greater challenge with each passing year. This year, we are faced with fuel surcharges, ongoing flight schedule changes and the list goes on. We've put together some really inexpensive trips, such as Copper, Snowmass and Sun Valley, that are really great values. Same holds true for even our more expensive trips to premier resorts such as Lake Louise, Banff and Zermatt, Switzerland.

The rest of August looks pretty good. Our annual summer ski trip will be departing for Argentina on August 11, 2005. Also we've planned a fun weekend in the Keys. Have you signed up? I'll be there! With all that included, I think this is an awesome deal. I look forward to the great time we'll all have there. Sign up now, before it is too late! Finally, I'd like to thank everyone who has brought in new members. It is great to see such support. At the last few happy hours, I've had the chance to meet a lot of great new people. Thanks!

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

Don't forget to look up the latest information on our web site: [miamiskiclub.com](http://miamiskiclub.com)

## Two for one

Happy hours at the MSC are getting even better! We now are having a happy hour in Coral Gables on the first Friday of each month so that we can visit all the near by galleries, open on Gallery Night. For our July 1st happy hour, we had a splendid time. We started with drinks at Splendido on Alhambra Circle for a fun happy hour to get things warmed up. We then went on to riding the free air-conditioned trolley (where we met some terrifically

fun people) to begin our evening of gallery hopping. Each time we left a gallery - a trolley would appear and we were off again, to visit a new set of art works. The evening concluded with a light supper just past 10 PM, when all the galleries closed.

On August 5, we will be gathering at Tula Ristorante (at the Omni Colonnade Hotel, 180 Aragon Avenue) for happy hour drinks and then we'll start the gallery go-round! Make sure you join us in exploring the artsy side of the Gables!

# September Snowball

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Friday, September 30, from 7 PM to 11 PM  
Rusty Pelican, 3201 Rickenbacker Causeway  
Key Biscayne, (305) 361-3818

Join us for a fun evening! We've got a great location overlooking the Miami skyline and we've arranged for plenty of dancing and a sampling of appetizers with a Mediterranean flair in honor of the return of the Greece and Turkey trip. This is a great way to hook up with your ski buddies. Of course our trip leaders will be on hand with all the information you need to make a great vacation choice. We've got a great selection of trips with room for you to join us. So, bring your checkbook and reserve your spot on a Miami Ski Club 2006 ski trip. Do not wait too long, as you might miss out!

Doors open at 7 PM, but if you arrive early, we've arranged for a cash bar on the second floor. Boogie Man George will be the D.J. of the evening. **Members are free** and guest charge is \$25. **RSVP'S ARE AN ABSOLUTE MUST** and must be done by Sept. 20th. Please make checks payable to the Miami Ski Club and send to Sandie Margoluis, 11225 SW 112 St, Miami, FL 33176 or call her at (305) 596-9311 to RSVP. Please, if you need to cancel after you confirm, please let us know, as we must provide an exact count.

## We need you!

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Yes, we are looking for good people to help us keep this ol' Club going. If you have enthusiasm, a drive to have a great time, and you want to give back to a great Club, do we have a great opportunity for you! We have to admit the pay is lousy. In fact, you'll be volunteering your time and skills to one of the oldest clubs in town! The Miami Ski Club has been around since 1968 and it has been volunteers devoting their time and energy that has kept this Club alive and well.

We can offer you great benefits though. You'll meet great people and you will share in the satisfaction of promoting the core values of the Miami Ski Club. We need people to organize our monthly Dine-arounds, plan special events such as canoeing or bike riding, lead a night out at a cultural event such as a theatre night, or help out at a happy hour, Snowball, Picnic or Springfest. We have a great crew already, but we certainly have plenty of room for you to join us. Come out and really be a part of the Miami Ski Club!

# Music & art night

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Saturday, August 27th, 2005 at 7 PM  
302 North Federal Highway, Dania Beach

Artist Evan Jones and vocalist Adelle Nicholson have teamed up to provide an evening filled with art and music. Evan Jones known across the country for his ceramic work in tea pots was recently featured in the Palm Beach edition of the New Times. His tea pots are small enough that you could actually use them, although you probably wouldn't want to. The artist specialty is in what he calls "colossal tea pots," which can be four feet high by three feet in diameter.

Adelle Nicholson is a versatile singer of classical and popular music, as well as an invested Jewish cantor and a Miami Ski Club member. Ms. Nicholson has performed opera roles like Carmen and Tannhäuser's Venus, and symphonic pieces, including Ravel's Shéhérazade, and Verdi's Requiem - from Manaus, Brazil to Cologne, Germany, from New York's Carnegie Hall and Lincoln Center to Washington D.C.'s Kennedy Center and National Cathedral, as well as Moscow's Bolshoi Opera House. She has collaborated with such artists as Mstislav Rostropovitch, Rudolph Serkin, Peter Brook and Sid Caesar in works spanning the repertoire.

Mr. Jones work has been displayed at the Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens in Delray Beach as well as having been photographed for an article in the November 2004 issue of Ceramics Monthly magazine. Recently, Ms. Nicholson has sung orchestral concerts in the Mormon and Episcopalian communities, and at Miami's Vizcaya Museum. This is sure to be one of the most memorable evenings of the summer.

Tickets are **\$13 for members** and \$15 for guests. Please make checks payable to the Miami Ski Club and Mail to Sandy Londono c/o Joseph J. Blake and Associates 4000 Ponce De Leon Boulevard, Ste 410, Coral Gables, Florida 33146. If you need additional information or have questions please call **Sandy Londono at (305) 975-6388** or email her at [specialevent@miamiskiclub.com](mailto:specialevent@miamiskiclub.com).

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Have a great idea for a special event? We are always looking for stuff to do with our friends at the Miami Ski Club, and are open to ideas! Outdoor events, cultural events, things out of the ordinary which may be of interest to our membership and you would be willing to put together - let us know! Just contact **Sandy Londono at (305) 975-6388**, or email her at [specialevent@miamiskidub.com](mailto:specialevent@miamiskidub.com)!

# State Of The Miami Ski Club Address

I think you could say that last year was definitely a tough one. We saw a notable decline in our membership revenue and at the same time we experienced turmoil in our Club leadership, which led to the resignation of our President and my re-instatement as MSC President near the end of the fiscal year. I think we have all drawn some very strong lessons from the experience. That is not to say that we did not have successes. We certainly did. We have had great turnouts for our local Club events. Many of you enjoyed great dinners out, theatre nights, bike rides to just name a few. Our overseas trips to India, Argentina and St. Moritz were sellouts and returned with rave reviews. Our next step is to recreate those successes and initiate changes to stop some of our failures from repeating. My thanks go out to the Board of Directors for their hard work and dedication through rough times. Please take the time to read and reflect on the State of the Miami Ski Club.

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## Financial Report

The Club lost \$4,173 during our last fiscal year. While we posted revenues of \$619 thousand, we spent \$623 thousand. The primary cause for the loss was the 25 percent decline in membership revenues, which equates to \$4 thousand. We also saw a notable increase in our printing and mailing expenses. As you read through the financial report, it is important to keep a few things in mind. First, the Club is extremely well capitalized, with more than enough liquidity to meet our current and long term financial obligations. Second, the Club charges members \$50 a year for a single membership and \$70 for a family membership. Third, when we plan an event where there is a charge, typically, the Club makes about \$2-5 per person for a special event and any where from \$10 to \$20 per skier on ski trips. With such tight margins, it is critical that we use sound judgment in our expenditures, but more importantly that we are able to accurately estimate the number of participants for any given event.

Last year, we earned approximately \$16 thousand dollars on our trips, thanks mainly to some extra comps we earned on the Argentina and India trips. We took over 200 members to Las Lenas Argentina; Breckenridge, Vail and Steamboat, Colorado; St. Moritz, Switzerland; Whistler Canada, and led 49 members to India. In looking at the financial results of the trips, our high-end trips abroad without a doubt proved to attract the most members. So India, Argentina, Switzerland, and Canada were the major draws for the Club. When it came to domestic trips, Vail attracted the most members, and then Breckenridge followed by Steamboat. As far as profitability, only the Steamboat trip lost \$1,508 due to significantly lower than anticipated numbers.

Other financial highlights included the success of our special events. We earned \$2,446 through various Club events including Dine-a-rounds, dive trips, theater nights, evening sails, and the list goes on. These events are not designed to be primary sources of income for the Club, but rather opportunities to bring members together at various settings.

The Club's primary expense are social events. Last year, members enjoyed our annual Picnic, four Snowballs, and Springfest. With the exception of Springfest, the Picnic and Snowballs are free to all members. Springfest is free only to skiers and the India group. Last year we paid out a total of \$18 thousand towards these events. Other expenses include the Club's administrative overhead. The primary expense in this area is our Newsletter. Currently this is one of our primary means to actively promote the Club. The website, by contrast, is a passive means as we do not actively e-mail our members with web links. Last year, the Newsletter cost us approximately \$1,000 per month, a significant increase over the previous year. Eliminating unnecessary printing costs will be an area of focus for the next fiscal year.

## Budget

Regrettably, the Club ran for most of the year without a budget. As a result, negative trends such as declining membership and increased overhead went unchecked until the end of the fiscal year. The Club budget for the 2005-2006 fiscal year will be finalized at the July 2005 board meeting. The Club Treasurer will be providing monthly status reports as to where the Club is versus budget. Through out the remainder of this report, we will discuss some of the proposed changes for this year.

## Membership

As you have read in past Above Board reports in our Newsletter, our membership revenue dropped off significantly last year by as much as 25 percent. There are no easy answers as to why some people have not rejoined. Some would say that the demographics have changed and people simply are not interested in organized group activities. The first board meetings of the new fiscal year focused our discussion on the very issue of membership. We discussed membership drives such as the one we've had for the last couple of months. Additionally, we will be creating brochures that are not date sensitive that we use to promote our Club. We are

getting ready to start our phone committee that will be contacting people who have not renewed this year. We are hoping that people just need a friendly reminder. If you do get a call, please be frank with your thoughts on the Club and please offer any recommendations you have. We continue to look for and implement new ideas.

### **Trips**

Last year we ran 6 ski trips to Breckenridge, Vail, Whistler, St. Moritz, Steamboat, and Argentina. Both St. Moritz and Argentina were sellout trips and ironically, our two highest priced trips. While we had a strong Miami Ski Club turnout in Breckenridge this year, we had an unprecedented number of party-pack participants. It seems that many Ski Club members own property in the Breckenridge area, so they made their own arrangements. The Vail trip did very well in terms of numbers; however, we incurred significant penalties, as we did not fill two participant spots required by our contract. As previously mentioned, we lost money on the Steamboat trip.

We are, however, off to an excellent start with our Las Lenas trip. This year, we are taking 55 people for a 10-day trip to Argentina. As many of you noted, we were not been able to announce this trip until much later in the year, compared to last year. The hurdle was getting the airlines to nail down their prices. While this is certainly an excellent turnout, we have about 30 people who want to go, but were too late in signing up.

Planning the remaining winter trips proved equally challenging, especially where domestic airlines were involved. Between fuel surcharges, ever-changing schedules, and ridiculous cancellation policies, we have become somewhat frustrated. We are still committed to getting the best possible air at the best possible price. In selecting our trips this year, we tried to ensure a variety of venues (only two trips this year in Colorado) and a variety of budgets. At the same time we strove to bring you the best possible values. You will see a huge difference in promoting these trips. Expect to see our trip leaders available at happy hours and special events. Additionally, we will be doing a better job in communicating what all is included in our trips. We will have handouts, and articles to entice you. As I mentioned in earlier newsletter, we did not actively promote our ski trips last year. As a consequence, we did not meet our potential in bringing members on ski trips.

### **Social Events**

The Club offers several social events that are free to the membership. Our annual Picnic will kick off our sale of the winter ski trips. Each year, we have an excellent turnout. Over the years, we have improved the quality of the venue and the food. This continues to be one of our best membership events. The September Snowball also traditionally results in strong member support. The Rusty Pelican is a great central location for members. The October and November Snowballs have had weak turnouts. Last year we replaced the October Snowball with a day at the races at Calder Race Track.

Despite wonderful weather, Club members were in small numbers. The Western styled November Snowball had a much better showing. This year, we will be combining the October and November Snowballs. We will be targeting the beginning of November, well before the holiday season takes hold. Last year's December Mini Snowball at the Chart house was a great success. We had a fabulous evening with hot appetizers, great outdoor setting and a perfect view of the Miami skyline. Expect a similar event this year.

### **Happy Hours**

These events are one of the best ways to promote the Club and draw in new members. We currently run most of the happy hours in Miami, with at least one each month in Broward County. Recognizing the work it takes to plan weekly happy hours, we have dedicated two board positions to it. This will provide stronger coverage and hopefully reduce burnout. In the last few years, you probably have noticed that we have chosen higher end and hopefully more interesting venues. Locales such as the Grand Bay Hotel, Grove Isle, the Biltmore, and Le Meridien had great responses. We are also doing extremely well with our Broward Happy Hours, so much so, that the Ft. Lauderdale Ski Club never misses an opportunity to ride on our coat tails. It's a free country. This year we hope for a repeat track record.

### **Special Events**

If you noticed on the monthly Calendar, we have a lot of local events. We have worked to bring a variety of events that highlight the best of Miami. We dragged you out slogging in the Everglades, scuba diving along the coast, sailing the bay, biking through the Grove and kayaking in the Keys. We've also exposed you to some of the best cultural events, including fourth of July at Vizcaya, theatre nights, Brazilian jazz concerts, and outdoor concerts. The monthly Dine-a-rounds have also been consistently successful. We find that those who are not into the happy hour scene really appreciate the opportunity of a fun dinner out. This past year, we have focused on hitting some of Miami's best restaurants. We've also gone out of our way to expose you to a variety of cuisines around the world. Also, back this is year is our Keys Weekend in Hawk's Cay. We negotiated an awesome deal which will prove to be a great time for all.

### **Goals for the Year**

This year, we are getting back to basics. We will be focusing on recapturing the membership and regaining the infrastructure that we lost last year. We will be actively promoting our ski trips with literature, as well as the active involvement of our trip leaders. We are in the process of planning our 2006 non-ski trip and hope to have some details within the next few months. We are also exploring the possibility of establishing an on-line payment system. This would allow you to use your credit card on-line to renew your membership and make payments on ski trips. As you can see, we have a tremendous amount of work ahead and we can use all the help we can get!

*Cathy Stahlmann*

# MIAMI SKI CLUB 200

All Miami Ski Club trips are priced per person, double occupancy. Base prices include an additional dinner or mountain lunch during the trip; a pre-trip party and a Springfest event. Trip deposits are \$500, unless specified otherwise.  
For more detailed information on the following trips, and hot links to trip information, click on the trip name.

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## COPPER

January 14-21  
\$1,025

John Garner  
(786) 402-8200  
[Copper@miamiskiclub.net](mailto:Copper@miamiskiclub.net)

Yes, we are finally back to Copper and what a great inexpensive way to start the ski season! Copper has one of the longest ski seasons around, so finding excellent snow won't be a problem. This mountain boasts over 2,600 vertical feet with a fairly evenly distributed array of runs to meet all skier levels. With some 125 ski trails, you'll certainly have plenty of runs to choose from. We will be staying at the Village at Copper in the heart of the ski area, with convenient access to skiing, apres, ski, dinner and drinks. If you are not up to skiing every day and have always wanted to try snowshoeing, tubing, or snowmobiling, this is definitely the place. After a long day of play, John has already begun planning apres ski, dinners and your banquet. The party goes not stop. So come on out and help kick off the MSC Ski Season!

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## SNOWMASS

January 21-28  
\$1,325

Rita Neubauer  
(305) 318-8686  
[Snomass@miamiskiclub.net](mailto:Snomass@miamiskiclub.net)

**Includes daily breakfast**

Snowmass is this year's Florida Ski Council main event and remains a Club favorite. The best part about Snowmass is that your lift ticket gets you access to four great mountains -Aspen Highlands, Ajax, Buttermilk, and Snowmass, with free shuttles to connect you. Whether you are a beginner skier or an expert, this area has plenty to keep you busy. We will be staying at the Stonebridge Inn, which is right on the mountain, with its great fireplace and bar. Better yet, a hot buffet breakfast is included in this fabulous deal. For nightlife, you'll get to enjoy the many parties and pub crawls hosted by the Florida Ski Council. The Village of Snowmass offer great restaurants and local pubs within a short walk from your hotel. For a change of pace, downtown Aspen is just a quick (free in daytime) shuttle away. Aspen is renowned for its exquisite dining, art galleries and quaint shops. You can't miss!

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## COPPER & SNOWMASS

January 14-28  
Price to be announced

Rita Neubauer  
(305) 318-8686  
[Snowmass@miamiskiclub.net](mailto:Snowmass@miamiskiclub.net)

Want to improve your skiing and have the opportunity for two weeks of great exercise? Then come and join our two week trip! This is an excellent way to vastly improve your skiing, and what a great combination of venues to do it in! We've combined Copper and Snowmass to bring you some of Colorado's best skiing. You'll start out with the Copper Mountain group. Enjoy the feel of a Club trip and make great ski friends. Then, you'll meet the Snowmass group as they make their way towards Aspen for the main Florida Ski Council trip. This change in venue will expose you to four more ski mountains, including Snowmass, Ajax, Aspen Highlands, and Buttermilk. Your Snowmass lift ticket is your passport to a second week of fun skiing. The best part is, we've taken care of all of the logistics. All you need to do is pack your skis and some warm clothes. We'll handle your air, lodging, inter mountain transfers. We'll even show you a great time. Now, how much easier can it get?

# 06 WINTER SKI TRIPS

s include airfare, ground transportation and gratuities, a farewell banquet dinner, post-trip party - and last, but certainly not least - free admission to the annual otherwise. For even more fine print, see your trip application.  
links to our destinations, visit our web site at [miamiskiclub.com](http://miamiskiclub.com).

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## ZERMATT & PARIS

**February 17-27**  
**\$2,230**

Joanne Sargent  
(305)665-7868  
[Zermatt@miamiskiclub.net](mailto:Zermatt@miamiskiclub.net)

**Includes daily breakfast and dinners in Zermatt; breakfasts in Paris**

How about a week of European skiing in Zermatt followed by a few days romping in Paris? Enjoy 7 nights in the four star Hotel Albana, located in the heart of Zermatt. This storybook setting is closed to cars and the best way to get around is by horse drawn carriage. Zermatt is nestled in the Swiss Alps, so the views are awesome. Looking for an adventure, you can ski over to Cervinia for some authentic Italian food. How much fun is that! This trip includes daily breakfast and dinner in Zermatt. Then, before we send you back home, we've added two nights at Le Meridien Montparnasse in the heart of Paris. We've also included a half day city tour and daily breakfast. While in Paris, you'll have plenty of time to see the Louvre where the Da Vinci Code begins, the Eiffel Tower, and visit some lovely cafes. This will be a vacation to remember!

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## SUN VALLEY

**March 4-11**  
**\$1,315**

Lisa Brumfield  
(305) 458-8383  
[SunValley@miamiskiclub.net](mailto:SunValley@miamiskiclub.net)

**Includes 5- day lift ticket**

Sun Valley is hosting Ski Club Week during our stay. They've promised apres ski parties, mountain tours, welcome party, Nastar racing and an awards party. You'll get to meet people from throughout the country, enjoying this party week. We will be staying at the Tyrolean-styled Sun Valley Inn, which has recently been remodeled. Located in the heart of Sun Valley Village, great food and drink are only steps away from your room. Sun Valley also offers great skiing at Bald Mountain. Bald mountain is located on the edge of the Sawtooth National Forest and offers some 3,400 vertical feet of skiing. For something other than skiing, the Nordic and Snowshoe Center is the place to go. Sun Valley has over 25 miles of manicured and marked cross country trails. Snowshoeing and ice skating are also offered. No matter what, after a long day, you can always come home to a swim in the heated pool. It really doesn't get much better.

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## LAKE LOUISE/ BANFF

**March 18-27**  
**\$1,445**

Cindy and Frank Sandmaier  
(305) 387-3514  
[Banff@miamiskiclub.net](mailto:Banff@miamiskiclub.net)

Come and experience some of the Best Canadian skiing around. This Florida Ski Council trip includes four nights at the Chateau Lake Louise and three nights at the Banff Springs Hotel. Both hotels are top rated. The Chateau Lake Louise looks out on the scenic Canadian Rockies. This historic Chateau has had a long history of catering to the rich and famous and as a consequence has all the amenities you could ask for. The Banff Springs Hotel has a somewhat different feel as it is located in the heart of historic Banff. The Banff Springs Hotel is known for its beautiful setting and spa facilities. So go ahead and get pampered! On this trip, you will also enjoy some of the best skiing in North America. Your lift pass gives you access to great mountains including Lake Louise, Sunshine, and Norquay. If you have ever wanted to try heli-skiing, this is one of the best places to try it. Come out and experience high class skiing at a first class resort. See you there - eh?

# Keys Weekend

## Hawk's Cay Resort MM61 - Florida Keys August 19-21 \$275/pp

Take a well deserved weekend and come out and hang in the Florida Keys with your friends from the Miami Ski Club! We've reserved your room at the wonderful Hawk's Cay Resort located on Duck Key. We've got activities for all personality types. If you happen to be a type "A", we've got scuba diving and snorkeling planned, or you can try eco-kayaking, parasailing or wave runners, to just name a few. For those who want to explore their "B" type personality - how about making good use of the full-service spa? The Indies spa offers massages, body treatments, facials, a fitness center and a salon. All the things to make you feel very good. Oh yah, kids of all ages are not only welcomed, but encouraged. Hawk's Cay offers its Kid's Club, designed to give the folks a break while the kids are off having fun in organized activities.

Join us for happy hour Friday night, as you quickly forget the stresses of the job back in Miami. Enjoy two nights and two days of island fun in this 60 acres resort, complete with marina, five beautiful pools, and great restaurants.

This awesome trip includes:

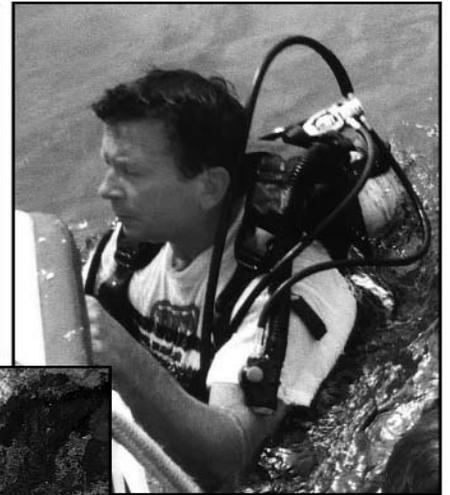
- 2 nights lodging at Hawk's Cay Resort
- Two days access to the Resort facilities
- Delicious Banquet dinner Saturday night
- Awesome buffet breakfast Sunday morning

Price based on double occupancy.

Make checks payable to the Miami Ski Club  
Mail checks to Ed and Cathi O'Brien

6147 NW 31 Ave  
Boca Raton, FL 33496  
(561) 988-2053

[Keys@miamiskiclub.net](mailto:Keys@miamiskiclub.net)



# MIAMI SKI CLUB, INC. TRIP APPLICATION

MAIL TO TRIP CHAIR PERSON, NOT TO CLUB

PARTICIPATION IN THIS TRIP IS LIMITED TO THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING OF MIAMI SKI CLUB, INC.

<b>name</b>	<b>phone</b> day _____
mailing _____	evening _____
address _____	fax _____
city _____ state _____ zip _____	e-mail _____

**traveling family members**

children \_\_\_\_\_ age \_\_\_\_\_

spouse \_\_\_\_\_ age \_\_\_\_\_

**trip** \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_ cost \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**lift ticket**  how many lift tickets \_\_\_\_\_ how many days on each ticket: \_\_\_\_\_

attached is my **deposit** check, for \_\_\_\_\_ person(s), in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ payable to the **Miami Ski Club**

**roommate**  need roommate:  non smoker  smoker

name \_\_\_\_\_  single supplement

**TOUR CONDITIONS/RESPONSIBILITIES:** MIAMI SKI CLUB, INC. and cooperating agents act only in the capacity of agents for the passenger in all matters pertaining to hotel accommodations and transportation, whether by railroad, motor bus, motor car, steamship, or plane and as such shall not be liable for any injury, damage, loss, accident, delay, or irregularity which may be occasioned either by reason of defect in any vehicle, or through the acts or default of any company or person engaged in conveying the passenger, or in carrying out the arrangement of the trip(s), or otherwise with the connection therewith. We reserve the right without notice to make changes in transportation or lodging as might become necessary. The MIAMI SKI CLUB, INC. reserves the right to cancel this trip at any time. The member agrees to be bound by and any and all CAB regulations and rules applicable to this trip. If there is any forfeiture of the members deposit due to the violation of any CAB regulation by the MIAMI SKI CLUB, INC. or any member thereof, the member agrees to hold harmless the MIAMI SKI CLUB, INC., from any loss which may be sustained by said member, if there is a contract between CAB regulations and the printed portion of this brochure, the CAB regulations shall prevail. Baggage is carried at owner's risk. In consideration of the mutual benefits derived from membership in the MIAMI SKI CLUB, INC., and acknowledging the hazards inherent in the sport of snow skiing, 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 an injury or pecuniary loss by reason of said membership, through participation on this trip. Airlines concerned are not to be held responsible for any act, omission or event during the time the passengers are not on board their aircraft.

**CANCELLATION POLICY:** A cancellation request must be made in writing and sent (return receipt requested) to the MIAMI SKI CLUB, INC. In the event of cancellation, a refund will be made less a \$50 service fee per person, up to 60 days prior to departure. If full payment or WRITTEN NOTICE OF CANCELLATION is not received by MIAMI SKI CLUB, INC. on or before 60 days prior to departure, then deposit will be forfeited. If a cancellation request is received by MIAMI SKI CLUB, INC. less than 60 days prior to departure a refund will be made ONLY if an eligible substitute is available from the waiting list. The applicant must secure an eligible substitute who has paid for the full trip price at least 24 hours before the time of scheduled departure. In this event, a refund will be made, less all expenses incurred by the MIAMI SKI CLUB, INC., plus a \$100 service fee. MIAMI SKI CLUB, INC., reserves the right to increase the trip prices. In the event the cost increases, any such increase in trip prices will be invoiced to the trip participant. Such increases shall not modify or alter the cancellation provisions above. Refunds may not be made until six to eight weeks after the trip is concluded if canceled within 60 days prior to departure. Certain trips may carry a different cancellation policy, which will supersede any other policies.

I/WE HEREBY ATTEST THAT I/WE HAVE READ, FULLY UNDERSTOOD AND AGREE TO BE BOUND BY ALL OF THE CONDITIONS CONTAINED ABOVE AND ON THE REVERSE SIDE, AS WELL AS IN THE TRIP BROCHURE, OF WHICH I/WE HAVE RECEIVED A COPY

**signature** \_\_\_\_\_ required for each person on trip; if under 18, signature is required of adult, who will accompany and be responsible for minor

applicant (& for children under 18) \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

spouse \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

child (over 18) \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

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## skier ability

- never skied before
- beginner - ski mostly green slopes
- intermediate - ski mostly blue runs
- advanced - will ski blacks, all terrain

## equipment rental

- will not rent
- need to rent skies and poles only
- need to rent boots, skies and poles

## frequent flyer info

airline \_\_\_\_\_

number \_\_\_\_\_

## seat request

## I would enjoy

- group breakfasts
- group lunches
- group dinners

my name, the way I would like for it to appear on my name badge (first name only)

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**WAIT LIST POLICY:** When a trip is full, all extra trip applications will be put on the wait list in the order received. To be put on the waitlist, persons must be members in good standing of the MSC, have submitted a completed trip application and a deposit check. Persons on the wait list must notify appropriate MSC Trip Chairperson in writing if they desire to be removed from the wait list.

When space becomes available, they will be notified in writing that they are confirmed on the trip and become subject to all cancellation fees. Upon confirmation of a trip, the balance currently due on the payment schedule must be received by the Trip Chairperson within seven days. Persons who are on the wait list and who are not offered space on the trip or who withdraw from the wait list prior to being offered space on the trip will be refunded their entire down payment. You may check with the Trip Chairperson from time to time to determine your status on the wait list.

**TRIP PRICES:** All prices quoted are based on double occupancy unless otherwise noted on the trip materials. You must have a roommate assigned to get per person double occupancy rate or be subject to single supplement rates or cancellation. Pricing for 3rd and 4th persons are available upon request. **SEPARATE BEDS ARE NOT GUARANTEED ON MAXIMUM OCCUPANCY RATES.**

Final payment on all trips is due 60 days from departure. Any payments not received timely are subject to any late penalties assessed to the club.

Sixty days from the date of trip departures, the Club will turn back to the resorts and airlines any unsold rooms and air seats. Although many times it is possible to get rooms and air seats back, any new bookings made within 60 days of departure are subject to the current air rate and any additional fees incurred in obtaining lodging accommodations.

Within 45 days of departure, any name changes will be subject to a fee imposed by the airlines. Itinerary changes may be subject to a fee imposed by the tour operator, as well as any air fare differentials. Changes made after travel has commenced will be subject to any fees levied by the airlines. Changes made once travel has commenced must be made through the MSC tour operator.

Prices are based on current tariffs in effect as of printing date. Prices of all trips are subject to change due to unforeseen increases.

**RULES OF CONDUCT:** In order to promote goodwill and relaxation at the Miami Ski Club activities (trips, parties, Snowballs, etc.) it shall be the duty of the person in charge of such an activity or any member of the Board of Directors to eject anyone from the activity whose behavior exceeds the bounds of good taste or who participates in illegal acts. Such person shall also be subject to expulsion from the Miami Ski Club if deemed necessary by the Board of Directors. In that case, the sole liability of the Miami Ski Club shall be the refund of the membership dues paid during the current year. It is the Club's policy to expressly prohibit any and all illegal activities by any member of the Club or by any participant in Club activities.

**POLICY CONCERNING NON-TRIP PARTICIPANTS SHARING ROOMS:** Miami Ski Club trips will be limited to only those persons whose applications and payments have been received and confirmed by the MSC office. Attempts at allowing non-trip participants to share accommodations will not be permitted. This policy has been established to protect the Miami Ski Club's reputation with the hotel industry and to avoid inconveniencing other trip participants.

**FLIGHTS:** All flights depart Miami International Airport. It is the responsibility of the trip participant to be at the airport at the time indicated by the tour operator to insure ample time for both the participant and luggage to make the flight. The Miami Ski Club is not responsible, either for the cost or subsequent arrangements, for any trip participant who misses the scheduled flight. The trip participant is responsible for making arrangement to get to the resort - there will be no refund of the trip payment if either the airline ticket or hotel accommodations are not used.

If the trip participant did not attend the pretrip party or otherwise make arrangements to get the airline ticket for the trip leader, prior to the day of departure, it is the trip participants responsibility to be at the airport early enough so as not to jeopardize the trip leader missing the flight. If a trip participant has not gotten their ticket from the trip leader by the time the flight is called for boarding, the trip leader will leave the ticket with a supervisor at the airline's ticket counter.

**LUGGAGE:** As a part of the organization of the trip, the Miami Ski Club makes arrangements for baggage handling during the trip. This may or may not apply during the period of baggage handling for airport checkin, depending upon airport security procedures prevailing at the time of the flight.

**ACCOMMODATIONS:** Every attempt is made to satisfy each accommodations request, with assignments being made on a first-come, first-served basis. If the requested accommodations are unavailable, MSC reserves the right to assign the next most suitable accommodations and collect any additional monies due.

**ROOMMATES:** Roommate preferences must be indicated on trip applications. Any changes or subsequent requests should be made in writing and mailed it to the Trip Chairperson. Those not requesting specific roommates will be matched as suitably as possible.

**LIFT TICKETS:** Lift ticket arrangements must be finalized 30 days before trip departs. The Club will not purchase lift ticket in the ski area.

**TRIP LEADER:** The trip leader may chose at times to ski with you. The leader does so as a fellow skier and is not to be considered a guide. You are responsible to judge your own ability to descend a slope safely based on your own physical endurance, the weather, snow conditions and inclination of skiing terrain. The areas chosen by the trip leader does not indicate that terrain is safe or suitable for you.

ALL TRIP PRICES QUOTED ARE PER PERSON, DOUBLE OCCUPANCY, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED. PRICES FOR SINGLE SUPPLEMENT, ADDITIONAL PERSON(S) PER ROOM AND GROUND ONLY PACKAGES ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST. CANCELLATION POLICY MAY BE DIFFERENT OF SOME TRIPS - PLEASE CHECK WITH TRIP LEADER



# Membership Application

SOURCE CODE  
NL-08-05

LAST NAME \_\_\_\_\_ SEX \_\_\_\_\_

FIRST NAME \_\_\_\_\_ MIDDLE INITIAL \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ APT. \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_

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

<b>TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP</b>	<b>RENEWAL</b> (From last year)	<b>NEW</b>
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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 \_\_\_\_\_



Address correction requested  
TIME DATED MATERIAL

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