



News Letter

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

SEPTEMBER 2005

Happy hours

September 2, 6-8 PM (happy hour prices!)
John Martin's
253 Miracle Mile, Coral Gables
(305) 445-3777

September 9, 6-8 PM (appetizers!)
Biltmore Lounge
1200 Anastasia Avenue, Coral Gables
(305) 445-1926

September 16, 6-8 PM (happy hour prices!)
Trina Lounge (Atlantic Hotel)
607 N. Ft. Lauderdale Blvd (A1A)
Fort Lauderdale
(954) 567-8070

September 23, 6-8 PM (appetizers!)
Solo on the Bay
10880 Collins Avenue, Bal Harbor
(954) 763-3553

September 30 - Snowball (Mediterranean style!)
Rusty Pelican
Trip signup, dancing, appetizer and more
3201 Rickenbacker Cswy, Key Biscayne
(305) 361-3818

Keys dive

Sunday, September 18, 2005 8:00 AM
Blue Water Divers, Key Largo (305) 453-9600

We will be wreck diving on two of Key Largo's best! Dive the Spiegel Grove, a five hundred + foot naval vessel which is now right side up, thanks to Hurricane Dennis! We will also dive the Duane, another very spectacular wreck, which is not to be missed. Two legends in one day! What a finish to our dive schedule this year! **\$70** for the two dives includes tax, tanks & weights. Rental gear available. For more information contact **Norris Wolford** at **(305) 710-4081** or dives@miamiskidub.com.

Theater night

Thursday, September 22, 2005 7:30 PM
Coconut Grove Playhouse, 3500 Main Highway

Tony Award Winner Hal Linden stars in this play based on the best selling novel by Mitch Albom, *Tuesdays with Morrie* - an inspirational, autobiographical story of a career obsessed journalist and his former college professor Morrie Schwartz.

Sixteen years after graduation when Mitch learns that Morrie is battling Lou Gehrig's disease, he reunites with his old professor for a final visit. This visit turns into a weekly pilgrimage and an extraordinary class on the meaning of life. "A touching, life affirming, deeply emotional drama with a generous dose of humor" - New York Daily News.

Interested in dinner? See below! Please make checks payable to the Miami Ski Club for **\$30 (members)** and \$35 (non-members) and mail to **Sandy Londono** c/o Joseph J. Blake and Associates, 4000 Ponce De Leon Boulevard, Ste 410, Coral Gables, FL 33146. Any questions, please call Sandy at **(305) 448-1663 ext 108** or email her at specialevents@miamiskidub.com.

Pre-theater dinner

Thursday, September 22, 2005
Greenstreet Cafe, 3110 Commodore Plaza

Make an even more fun evening out of the Theater night and join us for an early evening dinner prior to the play! Even if you don't plan on going to the play, but will be in the neighborhood, you can still meet us in the Grove for dinner! Greenstreet Cafe offers a wide variety of meals ranging from pasta and pizza to salads and entrees. All of this with Coconut Grove ambience - and just a short walk to the theater for theater-goers. Please call **Sandy Londono** at **(305) 448-1663 ext 108** to RSVP for dinner.



Letter from the Prez...

Was that a great picnic or what? We had an excellent turnout with more than 160 Ski Club members and friends in attendance. There was great food and drinks. It was good fun sitting by the bar, enjoying our two for one drinks on a perfect day. And best of all, our trips are selling very well! From what I've heard, you are very pleased with our trip selection and pricing. Some of our trips only have a few spaces left. So, if you are thinking about going skiing this year, don't wait too long, you may miss out! Feel free to contact our trip leaders - they have all the information you need to plan a fun getaway.

Already in August, we sent out our first ski trip of the fiscal year to Argentina. Once again, this has proved to be a great trip, and so many people see this as a way to beat the summer heat. Also, we had our sold out weekend getaway to Hawk's Cay. As you can see, we are off and running to a great start this year! The next big event is our September Snowball on Friday, September 30, 2005 at the Rusty Pelican. The theme will be mediterranean in honor of the our trip returning from Greece and Turkey. As usual, we will have our trip leaders booths set up, complete with all the information you need to pick the right ski vacation for you. So, pull out your cruise wear and enjoy fun appetizers straight from the Med (no leftovers from the cruise, promise)! Also bring your check book and sign up while you can. Other great upcoming events include the beach party this month. We are also planning to put a group together for the King Tut exhibit in January. As you know, King Tut rarely goes on tour. The last time I saw him, I was just a kid. I can't wait to see him again. Thing is, he probably hasn't aged a day, but I sure have!

I've received a lot of feedback from our last Newsletter. Many of you wrote that you are pleased with the transparency we've presented. Our goal is to keep you informed of not only the things that are going great, but also some of the areas where we need to focus our attention. Where we need help is getting volunteers to chip in. Be it organizing a Dine-a-round, planning a special event, helping out with registration, or finding and retaining new members, there is plenty to be done. You can also look forward to our periodic Above Board articles in the Newsletter. Here, we will keep you informed of operational issues and key discussions and decisions we are making at the Board level. Also, the periodic trip update will keep you informed of where we are in selling and promoting our ski trips.

Cheers!!

Cathy Stahlmann (305) 607-8840
president@miamiskiclub.net

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

Snowball

It's Mediterranean Magic! Our first Snowball of the year and we are celebrating the return of our Greece and Turkey Trip. Enjoy cocktails and hors d'oeuvres with a Mediterranean flavor - overlooking lovely Biscayne Bay. Life is good and it gets better as you consider the pleasures of taking a ski trip this winter with your MSC friends. Want to make that daydream a reality? Then join us on September. Please see page 7 for all of the details.

Are you a member?

With the Miami Ski Club, membership truly has its privileges. A great example is our monthly Newsletter that keeps you informed on all the great events we've planned for the month as well as it gives you a heads up on what we have coming down the pipeline. If you have not renewed, we are sorry to say this will be your last Newsletter. Remember with a Club membership, you have access to a lot of events for free or at Club discounted rates.

Above board

The board has a lot of great plans in the works, and we are striving to improve our infrastructure, and to develop and retain membership. We continue to explore the possibility of bringing on-line payments. Our first step will be to see about allowing on-line membership payments. This way, you could join the Club online and renew each year online. Handling trip payments may be more tricky, but we are also exploring how we can handle this as well. We will need to implement on-line contracts, for instance.

We also discussed pursuing a bike and barge trip in Amsterdam. Picture cycling along the river bank, with your floating hotel meeting you each night! Imagine stopping off for lunch and a little shopping in quaint villages along the way. We are looking at Spring 2007. At the same time, planning for the New Zealand trip continues to push forward. We are looking at various itineraries and will be making a decision soon. We are looking to hit the best weeks in terms of weather. It is doubtful that this will be a ski trip. The Club has already been there and done that. We are looking to bring you a completely different experience this time around.

Club news

Well, the Miami Ski Club was in the news! The Miami Herald ran a great article about the Club and the many awesome things we do. While the article almost down-played our skiing, it did promote the Club's long standing and the fact that we have events year round. While the reporter remained somewhat incredulous of the fact that Miami would have a snow ski club, I think he walked away with the correct impression that the Miami Ski Club is a great venue to meet friends and enjoy great times, be it locally, or on the slopes. The photos were very nice as well. We have been asked to put together some actual ski photos to prove that we are in fact a ski club, however, it seems that the request was made a bit late and we missed the print deadline. But no matter, this is still one heck of a promotion! You can find a copy of the article on our web site.

On a sad note, Helene Hershfield passed away on July 21, 2005 after a long stay in the hospital. Helene had been a member of the Miami Ski Club for more than 10 years. Helene loved biking, cooking, and entertaining. Our thoughts and prayers go out to her family and to her children.

Beach party!

Saturday, September 17, 2005 at 4:00 PM
Sunny Isles Marina, 400 Sunny Isles Boulevard

Join us for an afternoon of fun in the sun as we travel by boat from Sunny Isles Marina to Pelican Island for a beach party! Pelican Island is located near the 79th Street Causeway on the Intercoastal Waterway. We will shore up the boats and go for an afternoon swim or just lie in the sun and soak up the rays. The island has shelter and seating and we will be barbecuing. Drinks of all sorts will be on hand. We will end the evening by watching the sunset and the moon rise. Shuttle service from the Pelican Island Marina (north side of the 79th Street Causeway) will also be available on a limited basis (call prior to event date for details). If you've got your own boat, kayak, or jet ski come join us on the island!

For further information or to reserve a spot, please contact **Sandy Londono** at **(305) 975-6388** or e-mail her at specialevents@miamiskidub.com. Tickets will be **\$20 for members** and \$25 for non-members in order to cover the cost of food and drinks for the barbecue. Space is limited on the shuttle boats, so don't wait too long! Please make your checks payable to the Miami Ski Club (include email address and telephone number on check) and mail to Sandy Londono c/o Joseph J. Blake and Associates at 4000 Ponce De Leon Boulevard, Suite 410, Coral Gables, FL 33146.



Oktoberfest
2005

Sept. 29 – Oct. 9

See you there!

Fritz & Franz
BIERHAUS

60 Merrick Way, Coral Gables 33134 / Tel. 305 774-1883
www.bierhaus.cc

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.

COPPER

January 14 - 21
\$1,025

John Garner
(786) 402-8200
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!

SNOWMASS

January 21- 28
\$1,410

Rita Neubauer
(305) 318-8686
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!

COPPER & SNOWMASS

January 14 - 28
\$2,135

Rita Neubauer
(305) 318-8686
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 Snow mass 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?

6 WINTER SKI TRIPS

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.

ZERMATT & PARIS

February 17 - 27
\$2,230

Joanne Sargent
(305) 665-7868
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!

SUN VALLEY

March 4 - 11
\$1,315

Lisa Brumfield
(305) 458-8383
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.

LAKE LOUISE/ BANFF

March 18 - 25
\$1,495

Cindy and Frank Sandmaier
(305) 387-3514
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?



Membership Application

SOURCE CODE
NL-09-05

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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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 _____

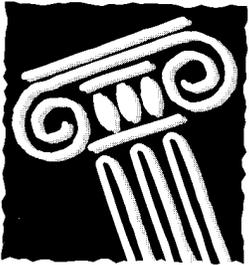
SPOUSE SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

SEPTEMBER SNOWBALL RSVP

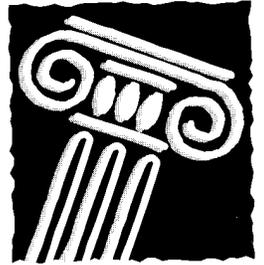
Please return this form by September 18, 2005 to Sandie Margoluis 11225 S.W. 112 Street Miami, FL 33176 or call Sandie at (305) 596-5822 to RSVP. **Please make sure you respond, so we have enough food! RSVPs and cancellations are absolutely necessary. We don't want to pay for overordering.**

NAME OF MEMBER _____	FREE
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NAME OF GUEST _____	@ \$25.00
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NAME OF GUEST _____	@ \$25.00
TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____	

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



Mediterranean
Magic
Snowball



Come out and join us for a fun evening, as we launch our first Snowball of the fiscal year! Sign-up for your dream vacation, while at the same time enjoying, dancing and sampling Mediterranean appetizers. We will have a cash bar available to wet your whistle. The bar will open early for those of you coming straight from work. There will also be door prizes including travel vouchers. Boogie Man George will be the D.J. of the evening.

DATE: September 30
PLACE: Rusty Pelican • 3201 Rickenbacker Causeway • Key Biscayne
PHONE: (305) 361-3818
TIME: 7:00 P.M. till 11:00 P.M.

Members are free and guest charge is \$25.00 per person. RSVP'S are an absolute must and need to be completed by September 20th. This is very important so we have enough food.

If you should find yourself unable to attend, please let us know!

MEMBERS FREE

GUEST \$25.00



Address correction requested
TIME DATED MATERIAL

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September 2005					1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
	<i>Labor Day</i>				6 pm JOHN MARTIN'S Coral Gables		
11	12	13	14	15	6 pm BILTMORE LOUNGE Coral Gables	17	
					6 pm TRINA Ft. Lauderdale	4 pm Beach Party Pelican Island Sunny Isles	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
8 am DIVE TRIP Blue Water Divers Key Largo		<i>Board meeting</i>		6 pm 7:30 pm Greenstreet & Theater Coconut Grove	6 pm SOLO Bal Harbor		
25	26	27	28	29	30		
					6 pm SNOWBALL Rusty Pelican Key Biscayne		