



News Letter

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

AUGUST 2006

Happy hours

August 4, 6-8 PM

Biltmore Hotel Poolside

(drink specials, appetizers!)

1200 Anastasia Ave., Coral Gables (305) 445-1926

"Glam Night" with new swim fashions

August 11, 6-8 PM

Jazziz Bistro (2 for 1 appetizers and drinks)

5751 Seminole Way

Seminole Hard Rock Casino

Fort Lauderdale (954) 583-8335

August 18, 6-8 PM

St. Michel (appetizers and drink specials)

162 Alcazar Avenue

Coral Gables (305) 446-6572

August 25, 6-8 PM

Tuscany Restaurant (drink specials, appetizers!)

3484 Main Highway

Coconut Grove (305) 445-0022

9PM Live Rock Band "The FIT" Let's dance!

Dine-a-round

Tuesday, August 29, 6:30 PM

Tambo, 275 Giralda Avenue (305) 476-9025

Tambo, a trendy Peruvian restaurant with fine food and style is this month's venue. Meet for cash bar, and start with a *House Salad* and appetizer choices: *Yuca a la Huancaína, poached yuca with quail eggs, olives and peruvian sauce, or Anticucho pollo, grilled beef heart, chicken and tenderloin served with aji-garlic, and zarza de cebolla-onion.* Entrees are: *Shrimp crepes, filled with shrimp and corn, with Rice Jasmine. Pescado Sudado, grouper filet steamed with tomatoes, onions and herbs. Bistec Encebollado, grilled steak sauteed with onions, tomatoes and cilantro, and peruvian peppers with white wine sauce.* Deserts are: *Banana tempura, Suspiro Limena, or ice cream.* Beverages, tax and gratuity are included. Make your checks payable to the Miami Ski Club (**\$42 members** and \$44 guests), and mail to: **Maggie Zaitz**, 11305 SW 111 St., Miami, FL 33176. For questions call Maggie (305) 807-1098. Please include your phone or e-mail for confirmation.

Shark Valley bike ride

Saturday, August 5, 9 AM

Everglades National Park, US 41

Celebrate Summer! Join us at Shark Valley for the ever popular bike ride along the tram trail loop. We will meet in the main parking lot, unload our bikes and leave as close to 9 AM as we can. We'll bike to the tower, take a scenic break and then continue on to complete the 15 mile loop. After the bike ride, let's all have lunch at our old favorite, "The Pit Barbecue". You can join us even if you don't have your own bike, as you can rent one for about \$13. Entrance fee to the park is \$10 per car, unless you have an annual pass. Call **Joanne Sargent** at **(305) 665-7868** if you'd like more information.

Lobster dive

Sunday, August 6, 8 AM

R.J.'s, 300 Alton Road, Miami Beach

It's the first day of Lobster season, so find those nets and tickle sticks. Don't forget your lobster licenses and measuring devices! If anyone knows where the lobster are - R.J. most assuredly does! So join your dive buddies from the MSC and meet in Miami Beach for a great day of lobstering and diving. **Dive only is \$45.** The dive with tanks & weights provided is \$60 and with full equipment rental is \$85. Tall stories about the big one that you almost caught can be heard afterwards at Monte's - conveniently located right next door. Call **Norris Wolford** at **(305) 710-4081** or e-mail him at dives@miamiskiclub.net.



Letter from the Prez...

As I sit at my key board totally wiped out from watching the Heat/Maverick's championship game 'til one a.m., (Go Heat!) I'm thinking how lucky we are to be living in South Florida. Beautiful weather, a multitude of activities in which we can participate and outstanding sports events to attend. Not least of all we have the Miami Ski Club! Where else do you have the opportunity to participate in such a wide array of enjoyable, fun activities with a group of folks who share the same likes. Biking, diving, horseback riding, airboat trips to the Everglades, happy hours, Dine-a-rounds, sailing trips on Biscayne Bay,

trips to Africa, India, Turkey & Greece, Egypt & Israel and of course fabulous ski trips. And the opportunity to make new friends as our Club continues to grow in membership, thanks to the foundation created for us by prior boards.

First of all, remember to renew your memberships. The picnic at Riviera Country Club opening our trips for the year will be free to all who have their memberships up to date. The trips we are offering this year are all winners, and I'm sure there will be tremendous interest right from the git-go. We start off with Bariloche, Argentina for our summer trip. This promises to be an outstanding trip. Plenty of opportunity for shopping and topped off with dinner and a Tango show in Buenos Aires. Then Vail, CO, which speaks for itself - great skiing, restaurants and of course elegant shopping. Steamboat, CO (a favorite of mine) which is a Florida Ski Council trip. If you have ever been on a Florida Ski Council trip you know they have something going on all the time. Courchevel, France which, I understand is a very upscale venue, beautiful hotel - with a stop in Geneva.. Snowbird, Utah which will be over St. Paddy's Day and there are plans to celebrate. Last, but definitely not least, Big Sky, MT. - great skiing for all levels and new high speed quads. Also plenty of fine restaurants, wonderful and pleasant folks to take care of your skiing needs. This is also a Florida Ski Council trip.

Unfortunately The Everglades airboat adventure was called off. Upon checking the areas into which they would have been traveling, it was found that due to the extended dry period we have been experiencing, there really would not have been anything worthwhile to see. This trip will be scheduled at a later date, when conditions will be more favorable. The Egypt & Israel trip opened as scheduled on June 2nd at the Grand Bay hotel Happy Hour. At the end of the evening there were only four spots open. Way to go George! We also had a wonderful crowd.

On a sad note. Phil Gallagher, a kind, good man and longtime Ski Club member passed on just a short while ago. Our condolences to his family.

Howard Margoluis

President@miamiskiclub.net (305) 596-5822

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

September Snowball

Friday, September 1, 7 - 11 PM
Rusty Pelican, Key Biscayne

We are just warming up to the summer (pardon the pun), and our 2007 ski trips are selling already! If you have not signed up at the picnic, the September Snowball is the place to do it! All of our trip leaders will be there with brochures and trail maps, ready to tell you everything you wanted to

know about their trip. But the Snowball has a lot more to offer than just trips! This is one of the biggest parties of the year, with music, dancing and a light dinner, with a cash bar. A great opportunity to catch up with your friends, lay plans for the ski season and get into the mood. In celebration of Labor Day, the theme is red, white and blue, so make sure you dress up accordingly! All this fun and excitement is free to members, \$30 for guests. Please make sure to fill out the RSVP form on the back page and let us know that you are coming!

Moonlight sail

Saturday, August 19, 5 - 9 PM
Dinner Key

Join us for a moonlit sail on beautiful Biscayne Bay. We will charter 3 beautiful 40-ft plus sailboats with captains and all the comforts of home, including full "heads" (bathrooms/showers for the novices). We board at 4:30 PM and depart at 5:00 PM sharp from Pier 7 at Dinner Key in Coconut Grove for a leisurely cruise down the Bay. We will anchor, swim, and of course, do what ski club members do so well – eat and drink. The hours are selected to enjoy the late afternoon sun and the evening sunset. It's all waiting for you so hurry and reserve your space today because the numbers are limited. Bring your own towel, hat and sunscreen. Also bring food or drinks to share! The cost is **\$75 members** and \$85 guests. Send your check payable to "Miami Ski Club" to: **Michael Rehr**, 9500 S. Dadeland Boulevard, Suite #550, Miami, FL 33156 or call him for further information at **(305) 670-8993**. Don't let our ship set sail without you!

Labor day bike ride

Saturday, September 2, 10 AM
Matheson Hammock Park, 9610 Old Cutler Rd.

Let's all bike together! Ride the scenic, shady path down lovely Old Cutler Road, viewing nature and beautiful homes. Without a question, this is the prettiest road in Miami, and this is the best way to take it all in. We will pass the Cocoplum Circle, over the Coral Gables waterway, and continue on to Main Highway in the heart of Coconut Grove. Then just a little farther to Dinner Key Marina, where we'll then stop to enjoy a lunch and some conversation at Scotty's Landing, overlooking the Bay. This is becoming one of our favorite bike rides, and for a very good reason! After lunch, we will ride back to Matheson Hammock Park. If you desire some more incredible Miami scenery, spend a little more time riding through the park. Please meet at Matheson Hammock Picnic parking lot at 9:45 AM - we leave promptly at 10 AM. For more information contact **Pam Epstein** at **(305) 772-1500** or e-mail her at specialevents@miamiskiclub.com.

Don't forget the Keys Dive Weekend that will be coming up in September!
It will be the weekend of **September 9-10**. We will be doing a night dive on **Saturday - Sept 9**
and then the **Speigel Grove** on **Sunday, September 10!**



KELLER WILLIAMS
REALTY

It is High Noon at 11,000 feet, and I left Ft. Lauderdale this morning!!

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KELLER WILLIAMS
REALTY

State Of The Miami Ski Club Address

Since last year, the Club has made significant strides toward improving the management of Club. Most notable is the success of all of our trips this year. We had an outstanding year financially with almost all of our trips selling out. We've also noted a strong increase in membership and participation at Club events such as happy hours and special events. Sadly, we have had to deal with the sudden resignations of the Vice President and Secretary, who were also incoming officers. However, I believe the newly installed Executive Committee has the requisite depth, dedication and experience to ensure the success of the Club. My thanks go out to the Board of Directors and volunteers for their hard work and dedication that has helped lead the Club to a great year.

Please take the time to read and reflect on the State of the Miami Ski Club.

Trips

Last year our ski trips did exceptionally well both financially and in terms of participation. Las Lenas, Snowmass, Zermatt, Sun Valley, and Lake Louise/Banff were all sold out events and Copper was almost at capacity. Our Greece and Turkey non-ski trip was also a great success, as we were sold out from the very beginning. I attribute our success this past year to drastically improved presentation and marketing of our trips. We also had a great group of trip leaders who followed through on their commitments to promote and lead our trips. With active marketing of our trips in our Newsletter, website, and e-mail broadcasts, coupled with a strong trip leader presence at our happy hours and special events, we were able to provide a consistent and professional presentation.

This past year, we saw tragedy on one of our trips for the first time. The death of Steve Smith, who suffered a massive heart attack while in Copper, stunned us all. For many of us, this was the loss of a dear friend who skied with the Club for years. This was also an important lesson on the need to get emergency contact information from our participants. On the positive side, I remain extremely proud of our members who stood in as Steve's family and helped coordinate his return to South Florida where he was memorialized and laid to rest with his parents. I strongly believe this event stands as a testament to the integrity and moral character of our membership. We also lost a long-time and beloved trip leader, Lag Giannino. For many years, Lag was the face of our annual South America ski trips. While we will never be able to recreate Lag's South America experience, I think we've done an excellent job of bringing on Bariloche for the first time in years.

As reported in several Newsletters, the negotiation of this year's ski trips was especially frustrating. With increasing fuel charges combined with struggling airlines, we have been seeing far fewer available flights and a reluctance on the part of the airlines to accept group bookings. As a result of these factors, the cost of air has increased notably this past year. Hardest hit with fuel charge increases are our international trips and our domestic trips with airports that are not hubs, specifically Steamboat (Hayden) and Big Sky (Bozeman). Even with these challenges, I think we have an excellent roster of trips at a great value. We have a tremendous variety in skiing terrain and pricing. We've also sought to get ski-in and ski-out properties for most of our trips. This year, only Vail is walk-in and walk-out property. Take a look at this year's trip insert for more details. Last, but certainly not least, is our ground breaking trip to Egypt and Israel. We are looking forward to a spectacular trip that will take us back in time and history.

Financials

We closed the year with profits totaling \$18,214, a significant increase over last year's loss of \$4,173. In the last 12 months we made substantive improvements to several aspects of the Club. Most notably, we almost doubled our net trip income from last year's level to \$34,430. Stronger promotion and presentation of our trips coupled with improved sales efforts by our trip leaders resulted in substantially increased trip participation by our members. Specifically, we expanded our descriptions of our trips in the Newsletter and website and supplemented with broadcast e-mails as needed. For the first time in years, all of our trips, with the exception of Copper, were sold out and we were able, in most cases, to expand our trips to

accommodate more participants. The Copper trip ended up being close to capacity. Our Greece & Turkey and Argentina trips provided the strongest income. Our ability to expand these trips resulted in unanticipated free positions that significantly lowered our relative expense.

Another area of success was the 10 percent increase in collected membership dues to \$22,300. It seems that several members actively sought opportunities to bring in new members. While we did offer incentives, such as free memberships to those referring at least two members, it seems that none of our members took advantage of our offering. In other words, a sense of duty and responsibility to the Club was a strong motivation as opposed to the prospect of getting a free membership. Also, the increase in the number of trip participants contributed to the increase. Remember, you must be a member to travel or ski with us.

One of the primary financial objectives last year was to gain strong control and oversight of Club's administrative expenditures. This past year, we significantly lowered our liability insurance premium and our printing expenses. That is not to say that we decided to curtail our coverage, rather we were able to find a different insurance carrier who offered the same level of insurance coverage at a significantly lower cost. We also refrained from needless printing.

When it came to Club events such as the Picnic, Snowballs and Springfest, we strategically increased our budget. This past year, we enhanced the quality of these events by seeking superior venues and provided higher quality food. As discussed last year, we eliminated the October Snowball as this event has historically resulted in a low turnout. As a result of our fiscal conservatism, we were able to allocate more money towards Springfest, our year-end Gala.

Budget

Our 2006-7 budget is in the process of being finalized. With the financial success of this past year, the Board made an early decision to increase the budget for the upcoming Picnic. This decision was prompted by the fact that the Holiday Inn in Hollywood was demolished, and the reality of prices having gone up substantially. So this year, we are looking at an upgraded venue, the Riviera Country Club. Keep in mind, the Picnic is where we launch the sale of our trips. This event also draws more members than any other Club social event.

As we come off a very successful year, it is difficult to resist the temptation to embark on discretionary spending. The Board has demonstrated strong restraint and is committed to shoring up our financial cushion in light of rising fuel costs, harsher cancellation clauses in our contracts, and a potentially declining domestic economy (higher interest rates, slowing in housing sales, etc.).

Special Events

This year, we did an outstanding job in providing our membership with a broad array of special events - whether its scuba diving in the Keys, enjoying a night of dining and dancing, we truly offered something for everyone. We brought new experiences such as the King Tut exposition and the Herald Hunt, and brought back some old favorites such as the Keys Weekend. It is exciting that we have had such strong membership support of these events. Due to the small margins, special events are not a major contributor to our financial bottom line. However, these events are invaluable in retaining our strong membership support.

External Marketing

While we are open to opportunities to promote the Club, our success was hit and miss. In August, we received terrific free publicity when the Miami Herald devoted the front page of the Weekend section to the Club with its "Sip and Ski: not everything is about snow" expose. This article was effective in highlighting the warm, friendly and inviting nature of our members, especially at happy hours, and the diversity of our events as well as members.

In March, we were invited to participate in the Herald Travel Expo. While the event apparently had great attendance, our panel was scheduled fairly early on the Sunday, well before the crowds began to arrive. As this was our first time with this event, we were not fully aware of how best to maximize our exposure. We are hoping to be invited again next year, and we will be better prepared.

Summary

All in all, we have had one of the best years in quite a while, and we are entering the 2006-07 season with a strong treasury, an array of great trips, a solid membership base and good leadership. What more could we ask for? An even better year? With everyone's help, maybe we can!

Cathy Stahlmann
MSC Past President

MIAMI SKI CLUB 200

All Miami Ski Club trips are priced per person, double occupancy. Base prices include airfare, ground transportation, pre-trip party and post-trip party - and last, but certainly not least - free admission to the annual Springfest event. For more detailed information on the following trips, and hot links to more information, click on the trip name.

VAIL

January 6 to 13, 2007
\$1,725

Daily breakfast
Walk-in/walk out

Lisa Brumfield & Rick Hagen
Vail@miamiskiclub.net

Join the Miami Ski Club's return to Vail, the largest single-mountain ski area in North America. We will be staying at our Club favorite, the Manor Vail, which is located in Golden Peak and a short stroll to Vail Village. We have secured Studio suites, which include great amenities such as a romantic fire place and a full kitchen. Other amenities include daily hot breakfast, spa, pool, and a fitness center. When it comes to skiing, no other area can match the size and variety of the ski terrain Vail has to offer. Blue Sky Basin offers open glades and tree skiing that is second to none. No matter how good you are, you just can't ski it out in a week! The best part about Vail is that it is guaranteed to please novices, intermediate, and expert skiers alike. Finally for night life, Vail offers great gourmet restaurants and fun bars to entertain the night hawks in the crowd. See you there!

STEAMBOAT

January 20- 27
\$1,195 - 1,325

Ski-in/ski-out

Laurie Hendrickson
Steamboat@miamiskiclub.net

This Florida Ski Council trip is sure to be a great time. We have secured air that will bring us right into Hayden, which is just a short bus ride into Steamboat. We will be staying at the Thunderhead Lodge, located slope side and is ski-in and ski out. The Thunderhead Lodge is a great property with outdoor heated pool, saunas, and onsite restaurants. Steamboat offers almost 3,000 acres of skiable terrain and an impressive 3,700 foot vertical rise - certainly enough to keep the most discriminating skier entertained. Whether you prefer downhill skiing, snow boarding, or cross country skiing, all are available to you. Perhaps you might like to go on a snow shoeing tour or a guided ski nature tour. As we mentioned, this is a Florida Ski Council Trip and it will include all the great FSC parties and food, as well as our banquet. So come on out for a great time!

COURCHEVEL & GENEVA

January 26 to February 5
\$3,450

Ski-in/ski out
Daily Breakfast
All Dinners in Courchevel

Bernd Meier
Courchevel@miamiskiclub.net

Looking for a fabulous first class trip? This is the one! We've arranged excellent flights on Swiss Airlines as a great way to start your vacation. Courchevel is the premier resort of Europe, boasting the largest skiable acreage in the Alps, interconnection three valleys. We have selected the glorious Hotel Les Grande Alpes as your home away from home. This wonderful hotel provides every amenity your little heart desires, from spa treatments to a luxurious sauna. And the food! It's gourmet and will include alpine favorites such as fondues and special seafood buffet with lobster for our last night. Live music every evening at the piano bar. While in Geneva, we've secured two nights at the Hotel Metropole, a five star hotel that overlooks Lake Geneva. This will be a great opportunity to enjoy and to explore historic Geneva with its exclusive shops, outdoor cafes and beautiful museums. This will be an awesome getaway.

7 WINTER SKI TRIPS

transportation and gratuities, a farewell banquet dinner, an additional dinner or mountain lunch during the trip; a gift certificate. Trip deposits are \$500, unless specified otherwise. For even more fine print, see your trip application. For more information on our destinations, visit our web site at miamiskiclub.com.

SNOWBIRD

March 10 - 17
\$1,495

Ski-in/ski out
6-day Alta/Snowbird lift ticket

Maggie Zaitz
Snowbird@miamiskiclub.net

Come out and join us for "St. Paddy's Ski Week", hosted by Snowbird. Snowbird and Alta have undergone major expansions, and have been named the no. 1 resort in the United States by SKIING Magazine for four years running. Located in the heart of the Wasatch Cache National Forest, Snowbird offers a tremendously diverse terrain that is suitable for all skier levels. This great package includes 7 nights at the Cliff Lodge, a premier ski-in and ski-out property that is loaded with great amenities such as a heated pool and spa. This area has plenty of restaurants and bars to keep you happy after apres ski. You can also take advantage of the inter-ski club race challenge. The week will be topped off with a themed St. Paddy's day party. No doubt you can expect to see green snow and flowing green beer at every turn. Don't forget your lucky four leaf clover!

BIG SKY

March 17-24
\$1,455

Ski-in/ski-out

Frank Sandmaier
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This is our second Florida Ski Council trip of the season. Big Sky, Montana, with Yellowstone National Park as a backdrop is truly awesome. We are flying into Bozeman and will travel by coach to the resort. Our accommodations are at the famous ski-in, ski-out Huntley Lodge. The Solace Spa is located right in our hotel, so please feel free to take some time to pamper yourself. A great diversion is a day trip to visit the park and see bison, wolves, grizzlies, big horn sheep, elk, and moose. Yellowstone still offers snowmobile tours, but we are not sure for how much longer. Don't miss out on what could be a once in a life time opportunity. Skiing and snowboarding are awesome at Big Sky. With an average of 400 inches of annual snowfall and over 85 miles of named runs, there is certainly plenty of room for everyone. See you on the slopes!

HOLLAND BIKE & BARGE

April 27 to May 5
\$2,350

John Garner
Holland@miamiskiclub.net

We thought we would give you a quick little teaser on a trip we have in the works. We are headed to Holland for the peak of tulip season. We are looking to book an entire barge, just for the Club. This package will include 7 nights on board, breakfast and four-course dinner, and packed lunches. With all that great food, we found a wonderful way to burn those calories. We'll be fitting you with a 24-speed bicycle, that is perfect for touring the great sites. You'll be riding an average of 35 km a day. The itinerary includes Amsterdam, biking from Kinderdijk to Rotterdam, Delft, Leiden, Haarlem, Spaandam, and back to Amerstam. Holland provides a beautiful backdrop, with its wonderful windmills and flowing meadows, lined with the vibrant colors of tulips. Holland is also known for its tremendous history and culture. Names like Van Gogh and Rembrandt are associated with the famed Dutch Masters. Stay tuned for more details!

EGYPT & ISRAEL

MIAMI SKI CLUB EPIC JOURNEY

NOVEMBER 3 - 19, 2006

This historical journey will first take us to Cairo, where we'll do our explorations from the world famous Mena House Hotel, a former palace with it's lush gardens and the pyramids for a back yard. We will start with Memphis, going about five thousand years back in time. Throughout the trip, we will move forward in time, forming a historical picture, which will bring so many events and places you have heard about into perspective.

After Cairo, it's off to Aswan, some site seeing, and to board the luxurious Royal Lotus for a four day cruise down the Nile. Stops will include the temple of Sobek and the Valley of the Kings, ending up in the unbelievable temples of Luxor and Karnak. From there, hop a jet to Aman, Jordan, to spend the night and off to Mt. Nebo, with its views of the fertile Jordan Valley, the Dead Sea and Jericho.

From there, visit Wadi Rum, the stomping grounds of Lawrence of Arabia, before reaching the monumental site of Petra. A full day of exploration there (you'll need it!), before leaving for Israel, and a day at a luxury spa on the Dead Sea. From there, we'll visit Masada, almost untouched since the days of the Jewish Zealots, with the Roman camps still clearly visible down below. On the way to Jerusalem, stop off to see the caves and settlement where the Dead Sea Scrolls were written, before fully immersing ourselves in biblical history. We'll be visiting sites that will make you taste and feel the events which took place in these parts, from the birth place of Jesus to churches erected in Crusader times. All this from the historical King David Hotel, right on the edge of the Old City.

In short - a truly epic journey everyone should make.

TRIP INCLUDES:

A pre-trip party; all air and ground transportation costs, including current taxes; tips for all guides, drivers, boat crew and local services; private guides for the entire trip, entrance fees to historical sites and museums; all lodging accommodations; daily breakfast; most lunches and dinners, including our special welcome and farewell banquets; free admission to Springfest 2007, and an experience of a life time.

TRIP PRICING:

\$5,395 double occupancy
\$4,191 double occupancy, if providing your own air
\$7,096 single occupancy
\$5,892 single occupancy, if providing your own air
\$1,500 deposit due at time if signing up for trip
\$2,500 sec. payment (w. adjustments) by July 10
\$1,395 balance due before August 15
All prices quoted with a cash/check discount; if paying by credit card, 3% will be added by vendor.
Credit card payment form available on our web site.

TRIP REQUIREMENTS:

Current Miami Ski Club membership
Completely filled out and signed:
MSC Trip Application form and the
Supplemental Terms and Conditions form
Forms can be downloaded from the miamiskiclub.com web site, or mailed upon request.

OVERSEAS AIR:

Trip departs from and returns to Miami, via Lufthansa. Air for alternate cities can be arranged, and may carry additional costs. Prices quoted with current taxes, which may increase by time of ticketing. Any additional taxes will be the responsibility of each traveler. Upgrades are possible only using Lufthansa miles. If interested in business class upgrades, please call, as prices and availability vary.

November 3 departure:

#463 Depart Miami at 3:30pm to Frankfurt
582 departing Frankfurt at 10:10am (Nov. 4)

November 19 return:

691 departing Tel Aviv at 5:30am for Frankfurt
462 departing Frankfurt at 9:50am; arrive MIA 1:30pm

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Trip leader: **George Ondricek (305) 234-7344**
or via e-mail: Egypt@miamiskiclub.net.
Mail applications and payments to:
George Ondricek
17145 SW 80 Ct
Miami, FL 33157

PHOTOS, FORMS:

For photos, forms and additional information, visit the miamiskiclub.com web site and click on the Egypt & Israel trip. Please check the site frequently, as it is being constantly updated.

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.

name _____	phone 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
 single supplement smoker

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. It 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 _____

...continued on reverse side

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)

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

SEPTEMBER SNOWBALL RSVP

A great way to start off the Labor Day Weekend! Mark your calendars and **RSVP by August 25** to Sandie at **(305) 596-9311** or **mail this coupon** to: Sandie Margoluis 11225 S.W. 112 Street Miami, FL 33176. Please make sure you respond, so we have enough food! RSVPs and cancellations are absolutely necessary (we want to make sure there is plenty to eat for everyone, while not paying for overordering).

NAME OF MEMBER _____ FREE
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NAME OF GUEST _____ @ \$30.00
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TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

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



RED, WHITE & BLUE

★★ September Snowball ★★

We will have music and dancing for your pleasure as well as a light supper and a cash bar. Members are FREE and Guests are \$30 per person. Bring your checkbooks as this the time to sign up for a trip or two, if you have not done so already! We will stamp your parking ticket, but tipping is required. Looking forward to a super turnout as this is a great way to start the holiday weekend.
RSVP A MUST BY AUGUST 25.

DATE: Friday, September 1
PLACE: Rusty Pelican • 3201 Rickenbacker Causeway • Key Biscayne
PHONE: (305) 361-3818
TIME: 7:00 PM till 11 PM

MEMBERS FREE

GUEST \$30





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August 2006		1	2	3	4 6 pm BILTMORE POOLSIDE Coral Gables	5 9 am BIKE RIDE Shark Valley
6 8 am LOBSTER DIVE Miami Beach	7	8	9	10	11 6 pm JAZZIZ BISTRO Ft. Lauderdale	12
13	14	15 <i>Board meeting</i>	16	17	18 6 pm ST. MICHEL Coral Gables	19 4:30 pm SAILING Coconut Grove
20	21	22	23	24	25 6 pm TUSCANY RESTAURANT Coconut Grove	26
27	28	29 6 pm DINE-A-ROUND Tambo	30	31	Don't miss the September 1 SNOWBALL	