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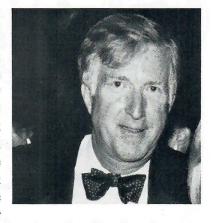
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Head of the Liftline

Which is it? **AU°GUST** or **AU.GUST°** Au'gust - 8th month of the year - having 31 days Au.gust' - of majestic dignity; imposingly exalted

This year, and this summer in particular, is passing it would seem with ever increasing speed as we have rapidly come upon that month known as <u>AU'GUST</u>. This month, being the last month of the summer, is so often typified by camp-outs, beach parties, last minute summer vacations and slumping sales in all quadrants of the economy - everyone is thinking about vacations to take or



by Tom Hogle

just taken (the <u>Astros took early vacation</u>). This month is important, most important, for one other reason. August is that month when we once again turn our thoughts to cooler weather, snow and, of course, skiing. <u>BECAUSE</u> August is that month for early mail in sign-up, for your favorite trip.

Talk with your friends, compare notes, draw straws if need be and then send in your early sign-up form(s). For the yet to be initiated, this is a critical junction in time for most skiers. It determines where you ski and when, whether you will remain in the good graces of your employer, and equally as important, whether he or she (significant other) will still speak to you. However, do not be of faint heart. Have the courage of your convictions. Make your decision, mark down clearly your choice for a ski trip and let it RIPPPP!

The word has been passed and I have it on good authority, "The God of All Snow", that this will be a bountiful year. A year when the <u>Snow Cup</u> of all good S.C.S.C. skiers will surely runeth over with snow, new destinations, exciting trips, and camaraderiegalore. This might even be the year to seriously consider an <u>extra ski trip</u> - did I suggest that? Surely not! What unbridled decadence! In any event, don't miss that trip of your choice. Don't forget early sign-up. Do it NOW (or when the instructions say to).

This is not just off the press! However, there are a few of our valuable membership directories still remaining from years gone by. Some are from this very last year, but a few others are vintage S.C.S.C. They are truly collectors items. Check with the Logo Table or don't wait, call Joyce Ryan or Ann Harvey now and reserve one of these special rare editions before they become only a memory. Joyce and Ann also report that they have a whole new selection of tasteful, useful and inexpensive items guaranteed to not only enhance the quality of each users life, but to elevate the level of esteem with which all others will view them.

6:00 - This is a special number. Sue Salvage, our creative VP of Programs, has put together a new and exciting combination of activities, activities, and activities exclusively for you. These activities are selected and presented to you to preclude that nagging thought "IfI'm not skiing, what shall I do?" Fear not, there is ample opportunity to find that new experience, that special event, that once-in-a-lifetime activity that we all too often miss. And to make it easier, in September, activity tables will open at 6:00 PM. That's right <u>6:00 PM</u>. This has all been arranged so that our Au.gust' members can come straight from work, have a bite to eat at the buffet, and hit the activity tables in full stride at <u>6:00 PM</u> (in September).

Did you guess both? In any event, see you at Happy Hour. *

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NO GENERAL MEETING

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HOUSTON, TEXAS 77063	688-SCSC

From the Ski Desk...

Are all of you SCSCers ready to go SKIING??? This is the month you've all been waiting for..... MAIL IN SIGN UP! Have you renewed your membership for 1993-94?? Remember this is a prerequisite for mail in sign up. You must be a current member in good standing with the club.

Please use the form below to submit your application to the TRIP **COORDINATOR** for the trip you wish to go on. On the next page you will find addresses for each of the TCs with the instructions for mail in sign up. Forgive me if this article sounds repetitive, but..... I have become aware that SCSC members do not necessarily read their Sitzmarkes. Imagine that!!! Accordingly, I am repeating the same information in several articles, places, etc. hoping that everyone will read it somewhere! The trip sign up procedures are different from the last two years. Mail your requests to the Trip Coordinators, not the VP of Trips. The range of dates for postmarking your envelope is AUGUST 16TH-AUGUST 27TH. If the postmark on your envelope is outside of this range of dates, it will be held until the September general meeting on September 13, 1993. At that time each of you will need to check at the applicable trip table to verify that your name appears on the primary Participant List. If your name is not on the primary

list and you mailed in your application, ask the TC if he/she has an envelope with your application. All envelopes must be received via the US Postal System. Registrations received by mail will be sorted by the TC in the ORDER **RECEIVED** and added to the Participant list in that order. The rule of first come, first serve will apply so long as the envelope is postmarked within the date range of August 16th - 27th, inclusive. (SCSC IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY PROBLEMS WITH MAIL SERVICE, INCLUDING DELAYED **DELIVERY OR LOST MAIL.)** If a trip fills to capacity through mail in sign up, a wait list will be started. All checks will be deposited on or after August 31, 1993. When signing up for a trip please be sure and double check the dates with the schedule published in the August Sitz. There may have been some changes from the schedule published in the July Sitz. Also, at the September meeting, you cannot place yourself on a wait list unless the trip roster is full to its capacity. Your effort in adhering to these guidelines is very much appreciated.

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The Clear Lake Area Ski Club is sponsoring a ski trip to New Zealand July 15-31, 1994 (14 nights) for around \$2,000. Air transportation will depart from Houston and connect in Los Angeles and then on to New Zealand. At this point I am not sure what all this price includes, so if you are interested in this opportunity call Dave Copous at (713) 470-7838.

I am proud to report that our two DoTs Nancy Sarff and Jim Edwards attended the TSC training session in Corpus Christi in June. This training is to help educate members of ski clubs throughout Texas about how to better manage/run a ski club. The interest that Jim and Nancy have shown in SCSC is a tribute to them, as well as all of us (and must mean they are enjoying their positions as this year's Directors of Trips!). In addition, all the TCs and ATCs have been working diligently to provide you the best options they can find for next ski season. As VP of Trips, I appreciate all of the energy and enthusiasm each of you have contributed to SCSC (and I'm sure the members at large do, also) to make this next ski season a GREAT one. Good work "TEAM" !!!

At the September meeting be sure and let the TCs know if you are willing to be a Race Director on their trip, whether its a TSC trip or not. Our club Race Director, Dale Allbritton, will be conducting training seminars, and I would like to encourage racing participation on all trips. THANKS, Dale, for all your efforts! *

(Copy or cut along the dotted line) MAIL IN SIGN UP FORM (Read instructions on next page)

TRIP NAME:	DATE OF TRIP:
TRIP PARTICIPANT #1	TRIP PARTICIPANT #2
Name:	Name:
Address:	Address:
Zip:	Zip:
Phone:(W) (H)	Phone:(W)(H)
SCSC Current Member #	SCSC Current Member #

If you cancel before the final payment date, a fee of \$30 will be withheld from your deposit. If you cancel after the final payment date, you risk losing the entire amount paid unless you are replaced from the wait list. Even though you are replaced from the wait list, the cancellation penalty of \$30 still applies. If the trip price increases by an amount greater than \$50 from the price published on the trip schedule, you have the option to cancel from the trip without penalty.

Please write the trip name and your member # on the face of your check. Thanks! DEPOSITS = \$100/PERSON, EXCEPT CHAMONIX = \$300/PERSON

TRIP SIGN UP PROCEDURES

FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY !

(They are different from the last two years)

* Mail the sign up form with your check (payable to SCSC) to the <u>TRIP COORDINATOR</u> of the trip you wish to sign up for to the address listed below. (Do NOT mail your application to the ATC, DoTs or VP Trips!)

* Each member may sign up for his/herself plus one other member for any given trip (IF YOU HAVE RENEWED YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 1993-94). New membership numbers are on the mailing label of your August Sitz.

- * Only ONE application may be mailed in an envelope.
 - * Please put the trip name on the envelope.

* All envelopes must be postmarked through the US Postal system. SCSC is not responsible for any problems arising from US mail service.

* The earliest postmark date will be Monday, August 16th and the latest postmark date which will be accepted is Friday, August 27th.

* If an envelope is postmarked before or after the range of dates listed above, the application will be disregarded and held until the September general meeting where you will personally have to wait in line at the table.

* THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS IF INSTRUCTIONS ARE NOT FOLLOWED.

BRECKENRIDGE (TSC) Lorna Jones 12944 Greenway Chase Ct. Houston TX 77072

SNOWMASS II (TSC) Sharon Smith 11930 Medicine Bow Circle Houston TX 77067

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VAIL Lynn Burch 6634 Gladewell Houston TX 77072

LAKE TAHOE Karen Putney 7717 Rolling Ridge Houston TX 77072

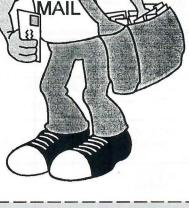
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BANFF (TSC) Cheryl Houge 800 Country Place Dr #1305 Houston TX 77079

JACKSON HOLE (TSC) Merrel Smith 11930 Medicine Bow Circle Houston TX 77067



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TELLURIDE Peb Rock 4010 Chatham Houston TX 77027

CRESTED BUTTE Leona Schroeder 12402 Rip Van Winkle Houston TX 77024

PURGATORY Barb Huey 2501 Bering Dr. #7 Houston TX 77057

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Space City Ski Club 1993 - 1994 Trip Schedule

Trip Dates	Nights/ SkiDays	Trip Destination	Trip Price	Final Paymnt	Lodging	No. Skiers	TC/ATC (DoT)	Home Phone
Nov 23 - 28, 1993 (Tue to Sun)	5 / 4½	BRECKENRIDGE Colorado TSC Fall Roundup	\$ 580	10/4/93	Beaver Run 2/2 condos	60	Lorna Jones Gunnar Heyne (JE)	575-9057 729-9872
Dec 26 - Jan 1, 1994 (Sun to Sat)	6 / 5½	SUNLIGHT Colorado Family Optional	\$ 645	11/1/93	Hotel Colorado	42	Bill Vasen Fred Wright (JE)	482-5501 953-7933
Jan 8 - 15, 1994 (Sat to Sat)	7/6	SNOWMASS Colorado TSC Traditional	\$ 753	11/2/93	Stonebridge Inn Hotel	60	Gary Butler Phyllis Anders (NS)	583-7515 861-1850
Jan 8 - 15, 1994 (Sat to Sat)	7/6	SNOWMASS Colorado TSC Traditional	\$ 753	11/2/93	Stonebridge Inn Hotel	60	Sharon Smith Elizabeth Steinmann (NS)	583-9627 335-0666
Jan 11 - 16, 1994 (Tue to Sun)	5 / 4½	SNOWMASS Colorado TSC Traditional (short)	\$ 586	11/2/93	Stonebridge Inn Hotel	40	Frank Mangum Sara Green (NS)	499-3930 466-5448
Jan 16 - 22, 1994 (Sun to Sat)	6/5	BIG MOUNTAIN Montana	\$ 743	11/4/93	Edelweiss 2/2 condos	40	Linda Licarione Eric Prentis (JE)	468-2816 681-7433
Jan 21 - 29,1994 (Fri to Sat)	8/6	CHAMONIX France TSC Expedition	\$ 1189	11/8/93	Hotel Des Aiglons	26	Bob Olsen	524-2730
Jan 29 - Feb 5, 1994 (Sat to Sat)	7/6	TELLURIDE Colorado	\$ 719	11/1/93	Riverside 3/3 & 2/2 condos	42	Peb Rock Scott Keller (JE)	850-0655 480-3161
Feb 9 - 13, 1994 (Wed to Sun)	4 / 3½	TAOS New Mexico	\$ 537	12/1/93	Kachina Lodge Hotel	42	Cary Faden Jon Trevelise (JE)	667-0111 668-0081
Feb 12 - 19, 1994 (Sat to Sat)	7/6	VAIL Colorado	\$ 715	1/5/94	Vail International 2/2 condos	44	Lynn Burch Larry Christie (NS)	933-2169 688-1434
Feb 19 - 26, 1994 (Sat to Sat)	7/6	BANFF Alberta, Canada TSC Winter Shootout	\$ 919	12/1/93	Banff Springs Hotel	60	Cheryl Houge George Flournoy (JE)	493-0016 621-7174
Mar 2 - 6, 1994 (Wed to Sun)	4 / 31/2	CRESTED BUTTE Colorado	\$ 493	1/7/94	Mountain Lair Hotel	32	Leona Schroeder Dick Anderson (NS)	468-4609 621-1488
Mar 6 - 13,1994 (Sun to Sun)	7/6	LAKE TAHOE Nevada	\$ 715	1/3/94	Harvey Hotel & Casino	40	Karen Putney Jack Oney (JE)	495-4999 641-4048
Mar 12 - 19, 1994 (Sat to Sat)	7/6	JACKSON HOLE Wyoming TSC Final Showdown	\$ 787	1/7/94	Wind River 4/4 & 3/3 condos	44	Merrel Smith Maggie Paull (NS)	583-9627 461-7937
Mar 24 - 28, 1994 (Thu to Mon)	4 / 4	PURGATORY Colorado	\$ 512	1/20/94	Purgatory Village 2/2 condos	42	Barb Huey Ann Clinton (NS)	975-7605 785-6732
Mar 27 - Apr 2, 1994 (Sun to Sat)	6 / 5	SNOWBIRD / ALTA Utah	\$ 692	1/17/94	Cliff Lodge Hotel	42	Robert Reichek Charlotte Lynn (JE)	661-2151 777-1064

Nancy Sarff Director of Trips 461-9665 Angie Westergren Vice President of Trips 847-1070

Jim Edwards Director of Trips 955-6675

PROGRAMS SCOOP & POOP

By Sue Salvage

Hey, we miss you. Where are you? You know who you are. You're the ones we haven't seen at any of our activities in a while. We want to see your smiling faces again - SOON! Come to a happy hour, participate in an activity, come to the September meeting, and/or go on a ski trip!!!

It's been a month since my last article, and I can't believe it! Thanks to all of our wonderful VOLUNTEERS everything is moving right along. If you are interested in being a volunteer, just contact me or any of the other Officers. We just love volunteers.

<u>POST-VIEW</u> - July was a busy month with 3 fun filled activities completed: Golf Tournament - DON CRABTREE; Water Toy Day - LARRY CHRISTIE; and Greyhound Races - CRAIG CAMPBELL (Yes, his name is here again, doing those gambling activities, makes you wonder about him doesn't it?) Thanks for volunteering guys!! As you read this article RICH HENDERSON is leading his group (including me) on an exceptional and strenuous excursion - the Kauai Back Packing Trip. The scenery is said to be some of the best in the world.

<u>PREVIEW</u> - August brings Happy hour on August 19th at the Post Oak Ranch.

Activities you may still be able to participate in are: Flower Gardens Week-end Scuba Diving Trip - GENE DAVIS; Messina Hof Winery Tour - FRED ARBUCKLE and SUE EDWARDS. Give them a call. September offers you the SKI SIGN UP MEETING, the Summers End Bash - with GARY SEQUEIRA; and the Guadalupe River Rafting Trip - JIM SCHROCK. Sign up now.

In the article last month I wrote "that's the key". This is a test, what was the KEY? The answer: Call ME - to participate, volunteer and get involved! Until I hear from you, or until next month - good day! *





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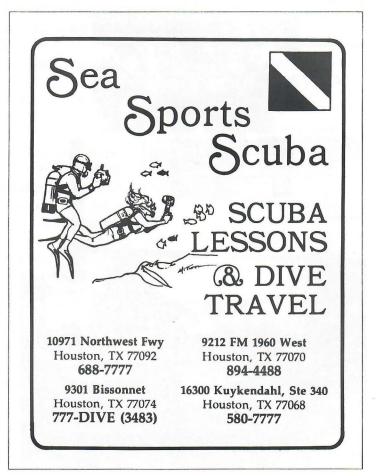
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BRECKENRIDGE

Colorado

November 23 - 28, 1993

TSC Fall Roundup

TC: Lorna Jones	.575-9057
ATC: Gunnar Heyne	.729-9872

Can't wait to go skiing? Get started early - it's time to hit the slopes on our annual TSC FALL ROUNDUP. Come to Breckenridge, with its soooo much varied terrain. Enjoy skiin, ski-out at Beaver Run Resort and hitting the two with all its excellent shops and restaurants within walking distance.

The Texas Ski Council will be providing an optional Thanksgiving dinner, besides other TSC activities, including the Awards Party. Gobble, gobble - that still leaves two nights for our own get togethers. You'll be able to ski on four mountains that interconnect, totaling 126 ski trails. Again, you'll love the variety - easiest 18%, intermediate 27% and expert 55%.

We'll depart Houston early Tuesday evening and Breckenridge Sunday afternoon. There will be a 90-mile bus trip each way. So leave your turkey at home and treat yourself to a Rocky Mountain good time.

SUNLIGHT

Colorado Dec. 26, 1993 - January 1, 1994 Family Optional

TC: Bill Vasen	482-5501	
ATC: Fred Wright	953-7933	

Hot Skiing. Hot Springs. A Hot Time for New Years EVE in the Colorado Rockies. Yes, all of this can be yours when you join SCSC to Ski Sunlight from Dec 26 to Jan 1. Just outside of the historic town of Glenwood Springs, Sunlight offers over 400 skiable acres of varied terrain for all skiing levels. Beginners even have their own private area - Sunshine Meadows.

The areas of Vail, Aspen and Snowmass are close by for the more adventurous. Stay in an Historic Hotel where presidents and gunfighters alike have stayed.

This is the Family Optional trip But is shaping up to be the most exciting trip of the season, so see us to check out our Video of the area and be ready to be part of this great adventure, not sitting on the sidelines wishing you had signed up.







SNOWMASS I

Colorado

January 8 - 15, 1994

TSC Traditional

TC: Gary Butler	583-7515 (h)
ATC: Phyllis Anders	861-1850 (h)

We know...It's in the high 80's and low 90's; both in temperature and humidity...Right? Right! So, what better time to close your eyes and daydream: about how much you hate skiing in January, it's always cold & wet & nasty - in other words -It's a Perfect TSC Traditional Ski Week!

THE PARTY BEGINS: January 8-15, 1994 as 120 SCSC members converge on Snowmass Mountain. Take advantage of 4 big ski areas and mountains. Aspen Mountain has 620 acres of skiable terrain. Buttermilk Mountain's 402 acres are great for beginners. Aspen Highlands, with the area's greatest vertical drop (a 3800 nosedive) will thrill the experts. With more than 1500 acres, Snowmass is one of the largest ski areas in North America. It boasts 16 lifts with 10% beginner runs. 69% intermediate runs and 21% expert runs (of which 7% are considered suicidal)!

Of course, veterans of past TSC ski weeks are already familiar with the happy hours, theme parties, and the fun of race day. Something's hopping every day and every night - You don't want to miss this PARTY! Alternate ski activities available include 300 shops and boutiques, 100 restaurants, pubs, bars, bars with live bands, sleigh rides, ice skating, dog sledding (tired yet?), hot air balloon rides, snowmobiling, and almost anything else you're little ole heart desires -- that's still legal and within the bounds of good taste!

All of the SCSC skiers, will literally take over the entire Stonebridge Inn, just 50 yards from the ski slopes. Rest up now and plan on being part of an action packed, crazy skiing experience! This is a week you don't want to miss. See you for some serious fun and PARTIES - in Snowmass!



SNOWMASS AT ASPEN Colorado

January 11-16, 1994

· ISC Traditional (Short)	
TC: Frank Mangum	499-3930
ATC: Sara Green	466-5448

You don't want to miss this one!! Snowmass is "THE PREMIER" ski resort of North America. If you don't believe it, just ask one of the movie stars and celebrities you'll see. Snowmass' elevation of 11,835 ft., providing fantastic skiing over 2,500 acres, comprised of 10% easy trails, 62% intermediate, 21% most difficult and 7% suicidal(?!) of the most beautiful views and scenery in the world. The longest run is 4.16 miles!

Snowmass' combined lifts can move 20,534 skiers per hour---they have reserved room just for you!!! AND, this is just SNOWMASS!!!! Plus, you can ski Aspen Mountain, Tiehack/ Buttermilk Mountain or Aspen Highlands.

WOW! What a choice and variety! Your choice of April ski activities, to name a few, 300 shops and boutiques, 100 excellent restaurants with five on the mountain to ski in to, live entertainment, celebrity watching, moonlight dinner sleigh rides, dog sledding, ice skating, hot-air balloon rides, snowmobiling, and almost anything your little old heart desires.

If you miss this one you will kick yourself all year long. Soo-o, sign up early....this trip will fill up fast!! See you on the mountain or maybe with a movie star?



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Colorado

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BIG MOUNTAIN

January 16-22, 1994

TC: Linda Licarione	468-2816
ATC: Eric Prentis	681-7433

IT's BIT.....IT's COMING.....Big Mountain is the ski trip for you! Why? Because of all skier terrain, virgin powder snow, fun western town, fantastic deluxe lodging and 40 crazy fun filled Texans. Sign up now.... This will be the <u>Trip of the</u> <u>Year</u>.

SKIING - with over 3,000 acres of skiable terrain, you will find what you are looking for from deep powder bowls and steep terrain, to miles of groomed trails, to a "separate mountain" ski area for beginners.

LODGING - The deluxe <u>Edelweiss Condominiums</u> are located in the heart of the alpine ski village, next to the slopes.

ACTIVITIES - From a mountain "Play Day" to a dinner sleigh ride to partying and shopping nearby Whitefish, this trip will be full of Montana Good Times!

Join us for five fun days of skiing, meet new friends and have a really "B-I-G" vacation. It's Coming, Don't Miss It.



The Sitzmarke

CHAMONIX

France

January 29 - February 5, 1994 TSC Expedition

TC: Bob Olsen 524-2730

Don't wait ... 1994 is the year to do Europe in style and at a great price.

Chamonix is one of the world's most famous, Europe's oldest and France's best. A traditional Alpine town,

Chamonix has a sophisticated continental atmosphere and five major ski areas. Sixty modern gondolas, cable cars and chairlifts serve this mountain paradise to suit first time through expert skiers.

Chamonix boasts: Mont Blanc, highest

peak in the Alps; Vallee Blanche,

longest ski run in the world; and access to nearby Italian and Swiss ski areas. Amenities include bistros boutiques, casino, horse drawn sleighs, helicopter tours, hang gliding, ice driving and skating, massages, cross country, and even Yak and Yeti services for mountaineers!

This TSC package is a terrific value and includes skiers breakfast and dinners at our three star plus hotel. Side trips to various sites will be offered and optional extensions to Paris-London, or Rome-Florence, can be arranged.

This is the season to make the French Connection. SEE, SKI and SHOP Europe at its peak.



TELLURIDE

Colorado January 29 - Feburary 5, 1994

TC: Peb Rock	960-8224
ATC: Scott Keller	478-3649

What's that? ...can't get no satisfaction? How 'bout a fabulous 6¹/₂ day ski "get away" for some action?

Telluride is a historical mining town nestled beneath the snow capped peaks of the San Juan Mountains, in Southwest Colorado, and is the sight of Butch Cassidy's first bank robbery.

Telluride offers 1050 acres of incredible skiing with a diverse collection of slopes, 62 in all. Skiers of all abilities will find something ideal and suited to their taste. SKI Magazine acknowledges Telluride as an "expert's delight" and compares it with the likes of Taos and Jackson Hole. The mountain is accessed by ten lifts, including the world's longest high speed quad lift, to ensure virtually no lift lines.

Telluride's restaurants and dining establishments are as colorful as the town's mining past and offer one of the most rewarding dining experiences in the Rockies. The night life also offers something for everyone, from Western Saloons to German Bierstubes and Greek Tavernas.

Don't miss this unforgettable experience!!! So don't debate, don't hesitate, get your money in before it's too late!!!



TAOS

New Mexico February 9 - 13, 1994

ATC: Jon Trevelise 853-6594 or 668-0081

Taos Ski Valley, New Mexico. "A 2,600-Vertical-Foot Dream Come True." Taos offers an amazing variety of terrain - vast open bowls, gentle cruising slopes, and gravitydefying steeps. Taos' reputation as an expert skiers' dream is matched by lots of easy slopes and a special hill just for beginners.

Taos Ski Valley is a magic place, rustic and cosmopolitan all at once. It has a world-wide reputation as a skiers mecca, and guests from corners of the globe come to this Alpine oasis of blue skies, feather-light snow, and friendly people.

Included in the Taos trip will be wine and cheese parties, happy hours, a group dinner, and Nastar racing. Cary will lead the skiing and Jon will lead the partying; so if you love to ski, meet new friends, and have a good time, this is the trip for you!!!!!!



New Mexico

February 12-19,1994

TC: Lynn Burch	933-2169
ATC: Larry Christie	688-1434

Stay only YARDS from the GONDOLA on the BIGGEST ski hill in AMERICA! Ski 3250 ft of vertical on 120 named trails and over 3,800 acres of skiable terrain! All that and no long lift lines! Zoom up the 25 lifts, including 9 fast quads and a gondola. More time to SKI, or SHOP, or DINE, or PLAY, in one of the best winter playgrounds IN THE WORLD.

More time to SKI 6 BIG BACK BOWLS and a BIG selection of front side GREEN runs! 1,100 ski instructors!

More time to SHOP ... WORLD RENOWN boutiques and designer shops!

More time to DINE. VAIL has over 100 restaurants and bars!

More time to PLAY ... try the 2900' recreational bobsled run or the dog sleds and snowmobiles. Hot Tub parties!

FUN, FUN, FUN for everyone! SKI A LEGEND; SKI VAIL !! See YOU there this year!



BANFF

Alberta, Canada	February 19 - 26, 1994
TSC Wi	nter Shootout
TC: Cheryl Houge	
ATC: George Flournoy	

The trip that has it all!!!! That's the only way to describe the **TSC WINTER SHOOT OUT**. Banff and the adjoining village of Lake Louise have three marvelous ski areas: Sunshine Village, Norquay and Lake Louise - to tempt skiers of all ability levels.

Not a hard-core skier? No problem. One can select from a range of activities to suit every individual's needs. What's available?

For starters, one of the world's largest natural hot tubs in conveniently located just minutes from our hotel - the beautiful Banff Springs Hotel. To tempt the palate, there are more then 140 restaurants in the European styled villages. After a hard day of Heli-skiing, one can settle down to a drink of their choice of abundant pubs or join the crowd at the numerous TSC gala events.

You could try dog sledding, wildlife viewing, cross country skiing, ice skating, sliding, much Shopping and even museum hopping. There is even a big Saturday night style BARN DANCE. Still boared? Count them, not one but FIVE laundromats exist for your entertainment and sensual relief!

Come help us celebrate "Presidents' Day" in Banff Canada!!!!



CRESTED BUTTE

Colorado

March 2 - 6, 1994

TC: Leona Schroeder	468-4609
ATC: Dick Anderson	621-1488

SPRING SKIING AT ITS VERY BEST! Ski 482 acres serviced by 13 lifts accessing 27% beginner areas, 53% intermediate and 20% expert.

MOUNTAINLAIR HOTEL....BRAND NEW! Opening for the '93/94 ski season. Two king-size beds per room, elevators, restaurant and two outdoor hot tubs. Located at the base of the mountain, just 200 yards to the Silver Queen and Keystone Lifts. This hotel is close to mall shopping and many restaurants.

Let's ski together....party together....and have a wonderful time together!!! Remember, there's no long bus ride since we're flying into Gunnison (only 28 miles from Crested Butte)!





LAKE TAHOE

March 6 - 13, 1994

TC: Karen Putney	
ATC: Jack Oney	

"Hey all you high rollers!", get ready for some guaranteed fun. Join SCSCers for a wonderful week of great skiing with breathtaking scenery at the resort that never sleeps. America's largest ski resort offers 12,800 acres of skiing divided by the California/Nevada border. Enjoy runs up to 5 1/2 miles long on slopes that are fifty percent intermediate with twenty five percent expert and beginner.

A 50 passenger aerial tram and 24 lifts are available to take you up the slopes that boasts the World's Largest Snowmaking System. Snowmobiling, cross-country skiing, sleigh rides and several ski areas are easily accessible, including Squaw Valley, home of the 1960 Winter Olympics.

We will be staying at the luxurious Harvey Hotel with exciting cabarets, casinos and fine restaurants. In addition to Nastar Racing, there will be Happy Hours, Parties, special activities such as the Tahoe Queen and paddleboating across the lake. "Fun" is the name of the game for all SCSCers who partake in this great adventure.

JACKSON HOLE

WyomingMarch 12 - 19, 1994TSC Final ShowdownTC: Merrel SmithATC: Maggie Paull461-7937

Can you say powder? Can you say 2,500 acres of mountain to choose from? Then say Jackson Hole for the TSC Final Shootout! Join 43 of your closest(or soon to be closest)friends for a fun-filled week of snow, parties and escape from the real world. For the racers in the group, this will be the last chance of the season to snag one of those NASTAR medals.

Rendezvous Mountain offers the most challenging runs, with a vertical drop of 4,139 feet. For the less adventuresome (or should we say more sane), Apres Vous Mountain and Casper bowl area offer a wide variety of intermediate terrain. Altogether there are over 60 designated runs and trails up to seven miles in length, with wide, gentle slopes of Eagle's Rest available for the beginner.

As part of a TSC trip, there will be lots of parties and happy hours (Oh, gee darn!). So, make your plans for a great time. Since St. Patrick's Day is March 17th, THINK GREEN SNOW!



PURGATORY Colorado

March 24 - 28, 1994

Looking for Paradise? Then join us in Purgatory. We'll be flying directly into Durango with only a short 25 mile jaunt to the peaks of perfection at Purgatory. Our home away from home is ski in/ski out (lift #4) to make our stay pure play with no hassle!

Prepare yourself for a power packed four full-days of skiing. We're planning our Purgatory Paradise a bit like Jimmy Buffet - yes, there will be "Cheeseburgers in Paradise," as well as a positively pleasurable Margaritaville Party and an evening experiencing the colorful and quaint pioneer town of Durango.

Playtime on the slopes at Purgatory includes 675 acres (35 new acres!) with runs for all levels of skiers. "Never-evers" get two 1/2 day complimentary lessons too!

Purgatory packages a big ski mountain, lots of snow and sun to warm your soul. Start planning now for "Paradise at Purgatory" with no crowds - no pretensions!





SNOWBIRD / ALTA

March 17 - April 2, 1994

TC: Robert Reichek	790-1690
ATC: Charlotte Lynn	777-1064

Two <u>BIG</u> mountains, known for their long ski season, DEEP base and fine, dry powder (and five full days to cover terrain). Snowbird is 25 miles from Salt Lake City. Accommodations are in the Cliff Lodge, a full service, ski-in, ski-out hotel with spa, pools, saunas, restaurants, and lounges. Snowbird has a 3,100' vertical drop, offers a 125 passenger tram and seven double chairs. Runs are rated 20% beginner, 30% intermediate and 50% advanced.

Alta, one mile away, has 25% beginner, 40% intermediate and 35% adgvanced runs. Both mountains offer excellent ski schools, lots of expert only runs. (Tell me how they are, I'll never know), and plenty of runs for all other skiing levels.

We plan a wine and cheese welcome party and other activities to celebrate April Fools' Day, so make your plans to join us for fun, foolishness, and great skiing.







GRAND CAYMAN ISLAND SCUBA DIVING TRIP

By Sy Liebergot



Well, after nine months of preparation, the SCSC gave birth to a scuba trip to Grand Cayman Island! Seventeen "D's" and one "ND" (divers and non-diver) were the final group that boarded Cayman Airways with trip leader Sy Liebergot on Thursday, May 27th for up to 5-1/2 days of diving on the famous undersea walls of Grand Cayman.

The flight and trip to the Sunset House Hotel was uneventful, check in was smooth and we were warmly greeted and thoroughly briefed by a Sunset Divers Divemaster. Three hours after landing Sy Liebergot, Hilton Schorre, Joe Chernow, Tacy Smith, Roger Schermerhorn, and Mike Spiegelman were geared up and enjoying the great shore diving to a wreck 100 yards off shore in perfect view of My Bar. We were all anxious not only to "get wet", but also to check out our gear and adjust our buoyancy for the great diving to come. Speaking of dive gear, ask Debbie and Jeff Warren about Sy's "It still sounds like shrimp to me!" anecdote. Hmmm ...

That same night we all walked up to the Seaview Hotel where we enjoyed a grilled tuna dinner after which a soon to be frequent trip was made to the Sunset House My Bar. Farrald Belote arranged a dinner for all of us one night at the Crow's Nest where Mako was the "Shark du jour" and the servings were enormous.

We were greeted the next morning by overcast skies and rain; that's how it appeared to all of us, not just the ones that had hit the bar after dinner. Ron Flowers. our lone ND, had rented a MoPed for the week, anticipating great tooling around

one day, and Ron being of a stubborn mind, kept the MoPed, did some tooling, but it definitely wasn't great.

The rain didn't keep Gwen Bremer, AKA Rum Runner, from walking back from Georgetown with a bottle of Appleton rum she had purchased for Craig Liebergot. Talk about looking like a drowned rat

The sea state on our side of the island (south) was good and the rest of us were off to dive. Sunset Divers Divemasters were great; we were asked where we wanted to go and they made suggestions when we had none. They were courteous and helpful when asked, gave dive site briefings with the local safety constraints, and permitted us to dive with our computers and with a minimum of



supervision. Some of us had problems with our gear, but everything was corrected in time and no one missed any diving for this reason.

Our first dive was to 60 feet, on the wreck of the Oro Verde, where most of us were greeted by a resident large jewfish called Wanda who was captured on tape by Joe Chernow, one of our two videographers (Roger S. the other). After exploring the wreck, some enjoyed one of two huge "eel gardens" experienced on the dives (not huge eels, folks; huge gardens!).

Saturday gave us sunshine, hope and Ron Flowers a sunburn big time, which he claimed was no problem since he is part American Indian. Let me tell you folks, by the end of the week he looked like a self-peeling ripe plum.

One of the several diving highlights

the island. Well, it rained all week, save of the trip was the scheduled night shore dive at the Sunset House "led" by Sy and accompanied by Hilton Schorre, Joy Hamer, Joe Chernow, and Jeff Warren. The "Serendfipity Dive" (as one called it) went too far, was poorly navigated, and beset by fast current. But because of all of the above the divers saw a huge crab, a Peacock flounder, a small puffer fish, and an octopus that dazzled us with color changes for several minutes. When they finally returned to home base and some puzzled shore observers, they were again dazzled by a seeming apparition of a new species of mermaid. In fact there were three of this new species, new in that as seen from underwater, they had two **. two legs and no fish tails; we named the new species Small, Medium and Large. Unluckily, Joe's video light failed at the critical moment.

> The fabled Cayman wall diving was no disappointment; even with the overcast skies visibility was 100 feet at 80 to 100 foot depths. The MANTA, a 45-foot powered catamaran, took us for a full day of diving on less frequented walls sites on the north side, of which Babylon was the most impressive.

> Devil's Grotto with its labyrinth-like coral structure with "open rooms" where a 13+ foot long tarpons hid waiting for a meal captured everyone's imagination. This was a dive site many of us wished there was time to repeat.

> The biggest highlight of the diving was the trip to Sting Ray City, so called because of the great number of sting rays that can be found at the location. Their congregation and tameness is the result of



GRAND CAYMAN continue...

years of feeding by divers and we enjoyed the fruits of this by spending an hour feeding and interacting with them. Millie **Duelberg** and **Craig Liebergot** while experiencing the gentleness and gracefulness of these creatures found themselves moved nearly to tears. This dive is called "the greatest 12 foot dive in the world".

There were some lapses of feeding technique with the rays. They have no real teeth and essentially suck the food from your flat palm. A few fingers belonging to Joy Hamer, Joe Chernow and Diane Jamail found their way into some ray's mouth and required minor first aid. A prize forearm hickey, 6x2 inches, was displayed by Linda Licarione and since no one had ever heard of a man



with a mouth that big, we believed her story that it was the result of super suction by the mouth of another hungry sting ray.

As will happen during diving, underwater navigation can be errant and caused Manolo Valle and Millie Duelberg to board the wrong boat and on another occasion caused Roger Schermerhorn, Tacy Smith and Mike Spiegelman to surface at a place where the boat wasn't; all were recovered safely.

One of the most relaxing things the group did was a sunset cocktail sail on a 65 foot catamaran sailboat. We didn't see a sunset because of the overcast but it didn't rain and the sailing, rum punch, and company were great.

On the apres diving front, word has it that several Georgetown bars, one of note being the Lone Star Bar & Grill, have plans to have bronze plaques made

commemorating Angie Westergren's prodigious social feats during her many visits to their establishments. She introduced the locals et al, to a drinking technique called "The Body Shot" which tastes good and feels good; ask Farrald Belote. She says she owes the trip leader one, but he has forgotten the reason why. "Nuff" said.

Debbie and Jeff Warren rented a four passenger jeep to tool around the island, also, in fact, on one of the many apres diving opportunities, they stuffed so many people into it, it resembled a fraternity stunt with a VW Beetle.

By the way, this trip was Jeff's first ocean diving since he was certified this year as an Open Water Diver and he was diving safely and comfortably like a veteran before the trip ended. Congratulations Jeff!

Personal note: Rumor has it that Joe Chernow called the states so frequently that Ma Bell has offered him a platinum credit card. Who is she, Joe?

Well, the sun came out in full force the day we left. So what's new? The weather did not deter us from doing all the things we desired-well maybe not if you were on a MoPed. Most of us did all the diving, ate and drank the local fare without any real problems (especially the rum punches and conch fritters), enjoyed the hospitality of Sunset House office personnel Carol and Lisa and divemasters Dale, Ken, Nick, Simon and were pleasantly surprised at the punctuality and service of Cayman Airways. We are also grateful for the invaluable services rendered to this trip by one of SCSC's advertisers, Island Dream Travel. Finally, we wish that all the people who wanted to participate on this trip and could not for various reasons, could have been with us. Maybe next time!

(P.S. Kudos also to a great group of trip participants who made by job so easy and enjoyable!)



DAY AT THE RACES By Craig Campbell, SCSC Handicapper



IL SONT PARTI! That's cajun for "and they're off" and on Sunday, May 23, 32 SCSC horseplayers were off to Delta Downs. Would have been one more but John Barclay hurt his back on the SCSC Redfish sailboat trip.

The bus ride to Louisiana included great food, drinks, a handicapping seminar, dollar drawing, trivia contest and formation of a pari-mutual betting pool. Michey Carmichael arranged for us to have some excellent po-boys.

Nancy Boelsen organized a dollar drawing - Patrick McDonald, Ruth Fowler, and JoAnn Lane were the winners. Joanie Osbourn, Carolyn Mead and Debbie Corson helped with the \$5 betting pool. John & Barbara Weber and Dorothy Baker did so good at the horse races they signed up for the SCSC dog races on the way back. JoAnn the end, each player got back \$3.50 from Lane and her guest Debbie Schumick also had good luck. Ruth Dunnam, Jerry and Faye Miller didn't.

Half way through, Jerry was speculating it would be cheaper to take a cab back to Houston rather than bet



through the second half of the program.

Barbara Huey, Carolyn Mead and Joan King formed a very studious group while Pat King and Meredith Gunn formed another. Mike Ysrael found time to bet with Edna Ashby and Joanie Osbourn. Peggy Glover had to pass on some of the races because she was feeling a little under the weather.

Fortunately, Michey Carmichael was able to help nurse her back to good health before the end of the day. The parimutual pool benefited this time thanks to the learning experience we had on the first trip last year. The betters in the pool were informed about our choices and had chance to participate in the selection process. For example, Michael Baumgarth gave us a winner in the quarter horse races. At



each \$5 invested.

Robert Bowers was so excited about the trip he started talking about a trip to one of the new Mississippi gambling casinos. He promised to give us a firsthand report when he and Nancy Boelsen returned.

Lee Swords and Penny Chancey won the trivia contest and received prizes. The trip critique indicated most people would like to go back to Delta this fall and maybe an overnight trip to BANDERA or NEW ORLEANS.

Let Craig Campbell, SCSC handicapper, know if you are interested.

Sitzmarker By Lee Swords

Thank you for all your compliments... (We can use a bit more.)

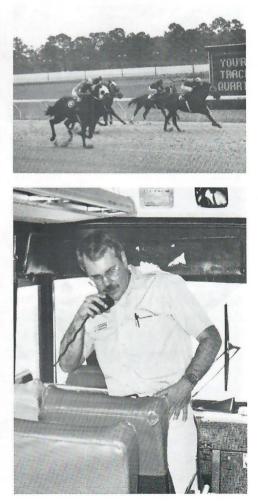
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Please: If you want to send your stories to the SITZMARKE, please submit them on a diskette. We want it in WordPerfect, if you can. If you want a special design, draft it on the paper. (Don't put it in the document and single column only please.) Guess Who: Whose back is on page 11 in the July SITZMARKE?

Like it or ?: Did you enjoy page 6 in the July SITZMARKE?

I'd like to say Hi to:

- All my tennis friends. 0
- Happy birthday to V.M. 0
- Kayleen Kill (she took on a big 0 task.) 举





TEXAS SKI COUNCIL REPORT

By Debbie Bergeron, Alternate TSC Rep

The first Quarterly Delegates Meeting for the TEXAS SKI COUNCIL'S 1993-94 year was held on June 12th in Dallas. SCSC attendees were Jerry Montgomery, Kim Page, Ted Bergeron, Peggy (Donley) Montgomery, and Alternate Rep Debbie Bergeron, while Rep Ed Cain was basking away on some sunny beach in Mexico! TSC

PRESIDENT RHONDA MCGREE MEDIA RELATIONS COMMITTEE, opened the meeting with introduction of new 93-94 TSC Officers and afterwards had each Club Delegate introduce themselves. ELECT COMMITTEE who have the rigorous task of reviewing resort bids and

This year, Space City is proud to once again be able to contribute a harvest of officers and appointees to the Council with our own club members holding the following TSC positions for 93-94: JERRY MONTGOMERY has taken on the role of TSC Treasurer; KIM PAGE is Trip VP of the 1994 WINTER SHOOTOUT at BANFF, CANADA; TED BERGERON has been promoted to Race Director for this 20th Anniversary of TSC Racing; and BILL KIRK, Audit Chair for SCSC last year, has been appointed to this year's TSC Audit Committee.

In an impressively diplomatic moment during the meeting, LOS AMIGOS SKI CLUB graciously relinquished the 1993 Texas Ski Cup Series Division I Trophy to the ecstatic LONE STAR SKIERS, after the TSC Board and Race Committee redetermined that last season's tie-breaker should have rightfully awarded First Place to Lone Star. Modifications and amendments to TSC Race Rules were presented by Ted Bergeron to help prevent future misunderstandings, and all were unanimously approved by the Club Delegates.

Other presentations and announcements during the meeting included the continuation of the NEVER-EVER SKIERS PROGRAM, promoting snowskiing to new Texas skiers; the



MEDIA RELATIONS COMMITTEE, whose job is to publicize the TSC, its clubs, trips, and activities; the PRE-SELECT COMMITTEE who have the rigorous task of reviewing resort bids and narrowing down the field of choices for the 1994-95 Texas Ski Week Trips; and the 1994 BID MEETING COMMITTEE. Updates on TEXAS SKI WEEK TRIPS for 1993-94 were also presented by the Trip VPs, who are diligently working with their resort reps.

A new TSC Member Pin was introduced (\$5.00), which everyone participating on a TSC Trip next season will want to display on their ski jackets; as well as the official TSC sportshirts, available to TSC club members in hues of teal, fuchsia, or grape for \$25 each. Stay on the lookout for an upcoming item everyone will want to have in their kitchens --the TSC Cookbook with tempting recipes from your fellow TSC members!

If SUMMER SKIING in NEW ZEALAND appeals to you, you'll want to note that the TSC Board has now officially sanctioned next summer's July 1994 Ski Trip to New Zealand being organized by CLEAR LAKE AREA SKI CLUB. CLASC has generously volunteered to act as host for other TSC Club Members who would like to participate on a club reciprocity basis. The trip is two weeks long, begins July 15, 1994, is priced at just under \$2000, and is already beginning to fill! For info on how to sign up for the trip, contact SCSC VP of Trips Angie Westergren.

The TSC Summer Vacation was held

the weekend of June 25th on Mustang Island in Port Aransas where 300+ TSC Club Members rendezvoused at the gorgeous Port Royal Resort near Corpus Christi to engage in spirited competition of sand volleyball, water volleyball, the Steeplechase Obstacle Course Relay (you had to be there!), a Wine & Cheese Welcome Party, an Awards Party & Dance, and the

closing Bonfire on the Beach. Lots of partying and great interclub camaraderie were had by all! On the more serious side was an all-day Officer Training Seminar for new club officers, which the majority of SCSC's new Executive Committee attended on Friday before the events began. The weekend was so enjoyable that Port Royal was rebooked again for next summer's big TSC event!

The next TSC Quarterly Delegates Meeting is scheduled for August 21st in Austin, Texas; so be sure to watch this column in the October and subsequent Sitzmarkes as Ed and I bring you the latest on TSC Trips and Happenings! *



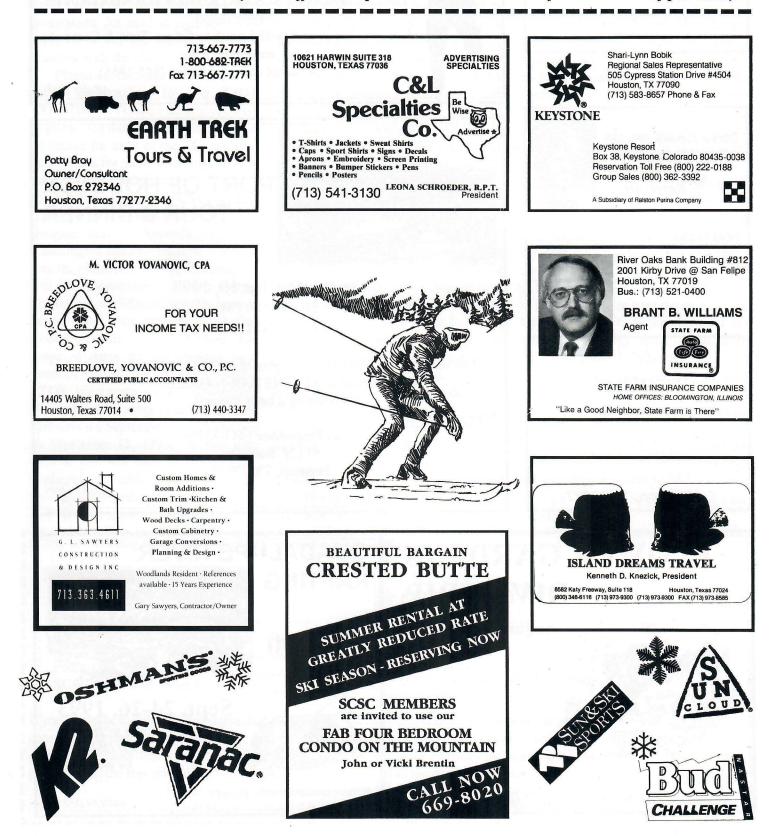




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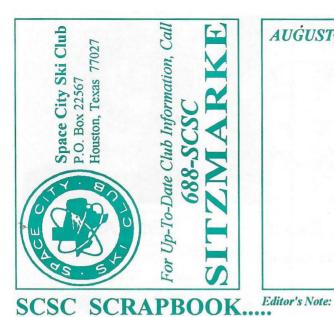
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Mel's VOLUNTEER PROFILES by Mel Tawney		
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NAME	Sandy Hoffman	Lee Swords	Edna Ashby
BIRTHPLACE	Austin	Korat, Thailand	Houston
AGE	Old enough to be a grandmother	35	On the "Hill"
OCCUPATION	Sr. Computer Operator	Computer Analyst	Administration - M.D. Anderson Cancer Center
JOINED SCSC IN	1989	1991,1993	1989
MARITAL STATUS	Single	Single	Single, Again
SKIING LEVEL	Intermediate	Banzai	Advance Beginner
PREVIOUS SCSC TRIPS	Brackenridge, Keystone, Vail, Taos, Steamboat	Innsbruck, Courmayeur, Crawfish Festival 93	Brackenridge
I FOUND OUT ABOUT SCSC BY	A friend	Yvonne Williams (twisted my arms)	Best of Friend
I JOINED SCSC TO	Have ski buddies	Become Asst. Editor of Sitzmarke	Group Skiing Trips and Activities
HOBBIES	Scuba diving, whitewater rafting, Sailing, Hiking, Mountain biking, Water skiing, Photography	Tennis, Dining with a good company, Computer	Photography, Dancing, Travel (Not necessarily in that order)
PREVIOUS NASTAR MEDALS	Bronze, Silver	Na Whattt?	In my dream
VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE IN SCSC	Brazos Bend Picnic, ATC: Taos, TC: Steamboat, Liftliner	Assitant Editor for Sitzmarke	Sign-in, Horse & Dog Races and Sitzmarke Team



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