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Exercise of the Month



Jim Benefield with winners LizBeth Fenn and June Russell.

head of the liftline

by Jim Benefield

Well, the Texas Ski Cup is really back at SCSC! It was indeed a great feeling to accept the cup in behalf of all members. It represented the culmination of one of the best run Texas Ski weeks I have ever seen. Copper Mountain and Continental Airlines were gracious, delightful and perfect hosts and sponsors. The participation by all member clubs indicates the healthy growth of the council. Maybe next year we can enlarge and invite the winners of Flatland Ski Council to a challenge race (*what about that, Kansas City?*) As noted elsewhere, the 1979 week begins January 7.

As all can tell from pages 12 and 13, the February and March meetings will involve important business matters. The elections are for your officers. I hope the nominees (*whether from the nominating committee or the floor*) must have the Club at heart, not selfish interests or personal ego. The need of the Club is for persons who realize skiing is big and yet wish to remain attentive to members' needs, which involves long range planning, coupled with experience from past failures.

The proposed By-Law

texas ski week space city wins cup!

by Karol Klopp & Easy Thayer

If you haven't heard by now, SCSC came home with the TEXAS CUP. That's right, the TEXAS CUP! Who says "old timers" can't ski?

The Individual races were held on Thursday morning, twenty-three racers were challenged by the downhill race. Those victorious were: **June Russell-2nd, LizBeth Fenn-3rd**, an Aggie ringer .. a female who by the way had the best time of the day, even beating the pro... and **Kam Kirkconnell** - a strong contender.

Friday morning, bright and early, 700 skiers began to prepare themselves for the main event .. the TEXAS CUP RACE. Racing began at 10 a.m. and continued until God knows when. The race was run on a dual slalom NASTAR course. The Club race results were calculated to Texas Ski Council specifications after 27 hours of deliberation. The results were as follows: **SPACE CITY SKI CLUB-1st, San Antonio -2nd, and Texas A & M -3rd.**

Many thanks go to **Bob Marwin** SCSC Race Chairman, who spent many hours at meetings, handing out racing bibs when he should have been sleeping, and for *finally* explaining the results to the race committee.

head of the liftline (cont.)

changes represent almost six months work by involved members. I advise you that these are recommended by the Board of Directors as in the best interest of all skiers. The elections and the vote on the By-laws will be during the **March** meeting.

Credits again to all the participants on the Texas Ski Week as well as the many other successful trips. It is through all members participation on each trip that more, and better trips can be run.



Bob Olsen, Bitsy Nesrstra-Texas Ski Council, Chuck Steele- Continental Airlines, Vicki Smith- Copper Mountain; foreground: Jeff Nesrstra- President of Texas Ski Council.

Thanks also to **Kam Kirkconnell, Carl and Lotty Gautschi, Bill Brooks, Tom Mercer, Jim McCallum, Merlyn Harger, Shirley Smith and Bob Copple** who participated in the races even though they didn't come up with the troops.

Saturday night before the awards were handed out, eight Space City persons .. **Judy Allen,**

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texas ski week (continued)

LizBeth Fenn, Karol Klopp, Sy Liebergot, John MacDonald, Bob Olsen, June Russell, and Easy Thayer ... participated in the Torch Light Parade. What a sight! All had a blast!

On to the awards presentation... the Individual awards were handed out first. Then, before Space City received the TEXAS CUP, **Jim McIntyre** was introduced as one of the founders of Texas Ski Week. What was that you said, Jim? Then all hell broke out as Space City practically brought the house down with yells... The TEXAS CUP was ours once again! Everyone managed to get a sip of champagne from the cup to join in the celebration. Other trophies included a 3-foot copper cup from **Copper Mountain**, and another trophy from **Continental Airlines**.

Enough can't be said about Copper Mountain and Continental Airlines. They put on a super week, with well executed activities (dances, dinners, races, etc.) Special thanks go to **Wayne** (swan dive) **Nichols** from Continental and **Barb Kontny** and **Vicki Smith** from Copper. Do it again ... Please!

If you didn't make Texas Ski Week this year, make plans to attend next year. We will all meet again between January 7-14, 1979 for another fun filled Texas Ski Week.

P.S. Wayne cracked his coccyx in that dive.

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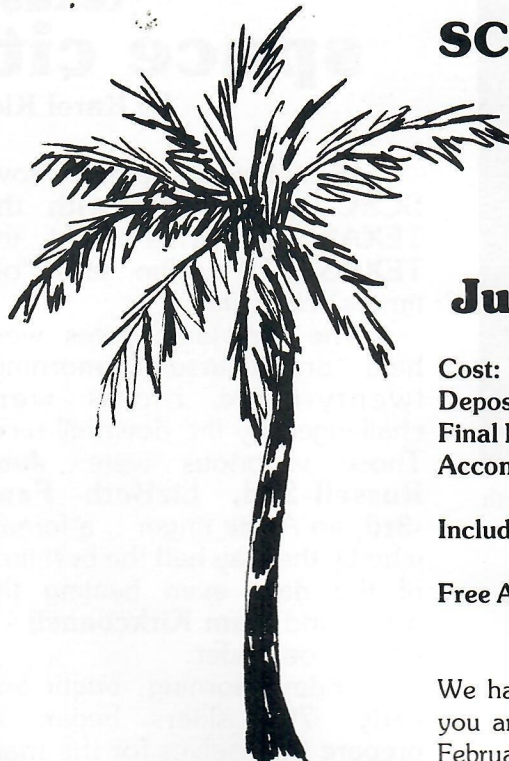
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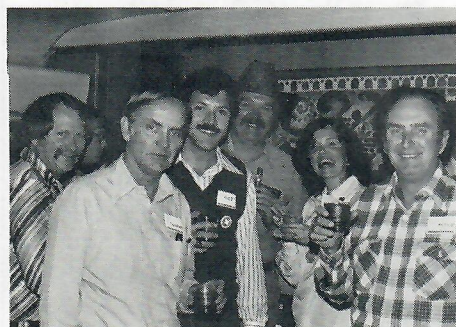
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☪ copper mountain I ☪

by Easy (rumor & hearsay) Thayer

January 8th, 40 hearty souls descended on Intercontinental Airport at the horrible hour of 6:15 a.m. to leave for 7½ days of skiing at Copper Mountain. Would you believe everyone was on time except for **Blair Caviness** and **Leslie Holmes** who were meeting us in Denver and **George Hirasaki** who was practicing for a week in Vail.

Continental Airlines and Colorado Charter Lines got us to Copper in time for some of the troops to get in a half day skiing. That night everyone, except one sleeping off the bus ride, enjoyed **Marwin's** Margaritas and **Jan Livingston's** chile con queso at the first of many parties.



Above: Jim McIntyre, Conrad Butts, Art Camero, Bob Marwin, Penny Wiggins, Mike Gay -everybody seems wide awake for 7 a.m. Below: Background-Bob Marwin, Dan Toland, Fran Crawford. Foreground: A winner and her coach -Donna Berglund, Dorothy Symmonds.



Monday morning, Gourmets Unruly **Sy Liebergot**, **Bob Marwin**, and **Bob Olsen** did a fantastic job of feeding 39 members of our race team. "Eggs Liebergot" for breakfast in a record 45 minutes. We then started changing things from last year's "Year of the Rock" to the

"Year of the Medal" as a total of 57 NASTAR medals were won during the week! Not bad, considering that **Sy Liebergot** left his skis in Copper when we went to Keystone to ski.

Tuesday afternoon brought about the unofficial wet T shirt contest in the Copper Valley condo pool. Prominent participants were **LizBeth Fenn** and **Sue Lackey**. Sue, how did the condo manager name you the winner if you had your bathrobe on? Later **Judy Allen**, **Art Camero**, **Chuck Dutton**, **George Hirasaki**, **Sheryl Rogers**, **June Russell**, **Easy**, **Dan Toland**, **Paul Whelchel**, **Cliff Zapfel** and the 3 Stooges, **Tom Mercer**, **Bob Copple**, and **Jim McCallum** were seen at Zambini's eating pizza (*what, still 2 more on order?*) and drinking Vernor's (*I thought Space City folks only drank booze*). This group then went to the Midnite Sun Disco for dancing. The girls loved the odds but got a little tired of dancing all the time.

Jim McIntyre caught a tip on a gate in Wednesday's race clinic and hurt his knee for the only casualty of the trip. Not bad Mac, trade one knee for 4 "Mother Hens", **Judy Allen**, **Ellie Lynch**, **Peggy Wiggins**, and **Diane Yarberry**. **Dale Allbritton** found out you ski 2 seconds slower when your hat comes off. That day, **Karol** and **Max's** trip arrived and **Ike Hoffman** got his introduction to Ballhooters, a simo shot of tequila and peppermint schnapps, at the party that night.

After the Texas Ski Week Welcoming Party Thursday Night, it was back to the Midnite Sun with **Ed Chambliss**, **Claudette Alderman**, **Chris Ginn**, **Jan Livingston**, **Lou Ferretti**, **Robin Carnahan**, **Jimmy C. Corn** and **Fran Crawford** joining the regulars packing the dance floor.

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Top: Filling the Texas Cup are Jim Benefield and Jim McIntyre. Above: Max Langley, George Hirasaki, Judy Allen and Paul Whelchel celebrating victory! Below: Claudette Alderman, Ed Chambliss and Ike Hoffman. Look out, Ed, Ike's moving in! Bottom: A good start of any trip is a busy party. Diane, Conrad, Ellie, Jim.





Top: Celebrating are Max, Karol, Easy and Penny. Above: Harry Gaston, Sy Liebergot entering the Individual Races. Below: Sheryl, Art and Ellie enjoying the party. Bottom: Jim, Sue, Leslie and Bill - a very happy group.



copper mountain II

by Max Langley

Thirty-seven SCSC skiers accepted the challenge and departed Houston on January 11th on Continental Airlines for Copper Mountain and the hopeful return of the Texas Cup to SCSC. **Leigh Howlett** departed several hours later and despite repeated attempts by planes, cars, and mother nature to slow his progress, he arrived just in time to make his second run in the individual races.

Our early afternoon arrival in Copper Mountain allowed **Harry Gaston**, **Bob Allgeier**, **John MacDonald**, **Helene Zannelli**, **Nan Delaney** and several others to join some of the Copper I participants in warming up for the races. That night all 86 plus skiers "literally" joined for a cheek-to-cheek cocktail party that consumed a condo, lots of booze, food, a hallway, and a bathroom prior to an invasion of restaurants and bars for more food and drink.

Wanda Cole and **Nancy Fractor** emerged later the next morning and accepted the challenge of beginner lessons and the bunny slopes. **Ed** and **Patricia Ek**, our Newly Weds, were observed occasionally on the slopes and in various eating establishments.

The Texas Ski Week activities were "kicked off" Thursday night by a party and dance attended by several hundred, including **Joan Brooks**, **Harry McKaig**, **Judy Steinkamp**, and **Bev Underwood**. Rumors are that someone told Joan later in the week that 2 aspirin and sleep would be a good cure. Could that advice have come from our team doctor, **Betty Williams**?

The individual races on Thursday and the Club races on Friday resulted in the two trips amassing a total of 67 NASTAR Medals. Contributors were: Silver: **Mike Hughes (2)**, **John MacDonald (2)**, **Lee Bollinger**

(2), Harry McKaig (1); Bronze: Will Green (1), Nan Delaney (1), and Helene Zannelli (1). Someone said Helene stopped before crossing the finish line and still polled across for the Bronze finish.

Friday night, most of the Texas Raiders emerged on the phantom beef barbeque dinner and ate chicken ... maybe Copper couldn't import TEXAS beef.

Bev Underwood, due to an injury in Houston, didn't ski and **Nan Delaney** joined the ranks of professional ski recruiter and we think was successful in recruiting "T", a gold medal winner from an un-named Houston Ski Club to the ranks of SCSC.



Above: **Bob Olsen**, **Roy Caviness**, **Ike Hoffman**, **Bev Underwood**, **Lotti Gautschi** - Good times at the combined party. Below: **Art**, **George**, **Leslie**, **Jim**, **Tania** - One of the FEW stops in skiing this week.



Harry Gaston was observed by curious eyes, returning from the pool wearing **Bob Allgeier's** playboy (girl) of the year swim suit.

Dennis Craggs, **Terri Worra**, **J. D. Danner**, **Leigh Howlett**, **Melissa Rivers**, and - **Joe** and **Bill Armstrong** were observed skiing and partying,

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copper mountain I (continued)

The rest of the week was taken up with Texas Ski Week racing and celebration, OURS, not the Aggies. **Anne McGown** finally emerged from a prior snowstorm while several SCSCer's participated in the torch light parade. **Tania Andrasko** and **Dan Toland** took some super pictures of the parade. **Diane Yarberry** won a set of Head Yahoo 2's as a door prize and **LizBeth Fenn** found out how much beer you can drink out of a trophy. *Happiness is ... Winning the Texas Cup!*

The Copper Mountain Trip I race team won the following NASTAR medals during the week: GOLD: **June Russell**, SILVER: **Dale Allbritton**, **Tania Andrasko**, **Donna Berglund**, **LizBeth Fenn**, **Blair Caviness** (2), **Ed Chambliss** (2), **Chris Ginn** (2), **Kamakazi Hirasaki** (3), **Sy Liebergot** (2), **Bob Olsen** (2), **Easy Thayer** (2), **Cliff Zapfel** (2), and (1) Sore Throat, BRONZE: **Dale Allbritton**, **Tania Andrasko**, **Donna Berglund**, **Blair Caviness** (2), **Kamakazi Hirasaki**, **Bob Olsen**, **Judy Allen** (3), **Jim Benefield** (3), **Art Camero** (3), **Robin Carnahan** (2), **Roy Caviness** (2), **Joe Chernow**, **Chuck Dutton** (4), **Lou Ferretti**, **Mike Gay**, **Ike Hoffman**, **Bob Marwin**, **Jim McIntyre**, **Sheryl Rogers**, **Don Toland**, **LizBeth Fenn**, and **Diane Yarberry** (2). **Dorothy Symmonds** said **Donna Berglund** would not have won without her coaching. **Paul Whelchel** and **Texas Tim Webb** were heard to say, Wait 'til next year!!

On Super Sunday, we figured it was time to get out of Dodge; Texans suddenly became an endangered species. **Penny Wiggins** was the football pot organizer on the bus. So how come the winners were on the other trip, Penny? **Blair Caviness** and **Ike Hoffman** held the mike so the whole trip could hear the game in spite of **Leslie Holmes'** Dirty Word Game



LizBeth drawing the door prizes.



"The Thrill of Victory!" - Diane.



"The Agony of Defeat!" - Karol.

where **Bob Olsen** won a gold medal and **Ellie Lynch** a silver. Penny, did you coach Ellie? Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever Ticks were feared on the bus. At least **Ed Chambliss** and **Lou Ferretti** kept asking **Claudette Alderman** and **Robin Carnahan** about them.

Continental Airlines really rolled out the red carpet on the way back as they kept the Texas Cup full of champagne for us even with **Bob Marwin** and **Lou (Little Marwin) Ferretti** playing dueling Kazoos for the first hour.

Many thanks to **Chris Ginn** and **Jan Livingston** for helping get the baggage tagged right for the trip back, to Condo 109 for lots of good food, help, and fun, to **Penny Wiggins** for being the assistant and keeper of 8 million

pins, patches, and decals (also congrats for only riding the chairlifts one way) and especially everyone on the trip. It was a great trip only because of you, Thanks! Anyone wanting to go to Texas Ski Week next year better sign up early because the whole crew wants to go back.

copper mountain II (cont.)

and rumors are that some of the group "enjoyed" Colorado Mexican food.

Many thanks to all participants who helped return the Texas Cup to SCSC. Without the enthusiasm and support of **Jim Davis**, **Earl Longoria**, **Milford Frnka**, **Larry Funderburk**, **Frank Glass**, **Bob Heyer**, **Howard Klein**, **John Lewis**, **Ted Widmer**, **Pat McLaughlin**, and many more SCSC enthusiastic skiers, we wouldn't have returned "our" trophy to Houston, and enjoyed the "agony" of VICTORY. Who said it's easy to drink from a silver cup?

Thanks also to **Karol (crash) Klope**, my amazing assistant. She crashed twice (on the slopes) and also tried to run down some kids that managed to troop across her race course; not to mention colliding with some unknown girl and providing a landing pad for **Sy Liebergot**. Thanks to **John MacDonald** for assisting in loading booze, luggage, and helping at the parties.

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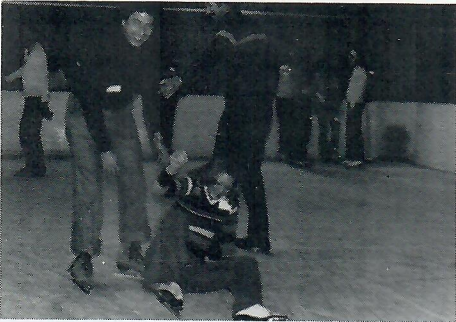
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ice skating party

By Joyce Jenkins

Oranges, hockey pucks and brooms, along with about 60-70 SCSC members descended on the Ice Haus for the annual skating party in December. **Lou Willbanks, Mary Scotty, Bob Gay, Janet Pickell, Ron Huffman, Charlie Dutton and Russ Coffman** were among the people drinking wine coolers to fortify themselves against the cold and prepare for the relay races.



Above: Spencer aiding a distressed damsel.
Below: These pictures show two distinct hockey techniques!



Spencer King organized the Orange Bowl races, which consisted of such highly sophisticated equipment as brooms and oranges. After a few squashed oranges, **Jim Hendrix** brought out hockey pucks to continue the races. Victory was claimed by all participants, but the oranges



Jack Erskine and Trilby Wood enjoying refreshments.

were definitely the losers.

Pam Bartz, Sy Liebergot and Carol Ragan led several trains of pseudo-skaters around the rink at breakneck paces - something called "Crack the Whip". With **Artie Allen, Susie Griffing, Cheryl Rogers and Cliff Zapfel** (just to name a few) slipping and falling, **Gene Tur-**

boff wondered if this was "arse skating" rather than ice skating.

Ice skating was over too soon and several remarks were made about having more skating parties during the year. The Ice Haus had a suggestion in this regard - they highly recommended the Galleria Skating Rink!



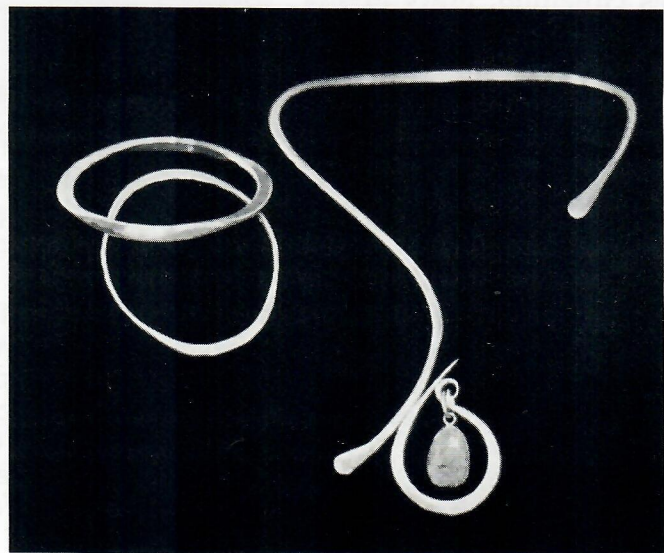
Artie leading the gang in "crack the whip."



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steamboat springs I

by Lynn Burch

Our group of 36 skiers left Christmas morning for Steamboat Springs along with the Aspen group. After a disappointing Christmas lunch of split pea soup, Continental did provide free drinks for everyone.

After settling the mix-up with the condos, everyone was ready for the great skiing in all that powder.



Above: Background- Carole and David Hull, Joan Whitten, Lynn Burch. Foreground- Andrew Johns, Charles Greening, Carole Ragan. Below: On the slopes are Janis Jamail, Bill Landfield and Jan Mouche.



Our expert skiers, **David and Carole (last fritz) Hull, Charles Greening, Marv Myers and Joan Whitten** skied together most of the time on all the expert slopes. **Tony Teutsch** would ski the powder at the top each morning and then in the afternoon meet **Mary Ann Jordan** and ski the beginner slopes with her.

After skiing all day, we still had the energy to play at night. Twenty people went snowmobiling in the late afternoon, **Judith Clarkson, Janis Jamail, Jerry Goldberg, James Hughes, and Jeanette Dahl** were a few of those zooming along the trails.

Lynn Burch had a birthday and a big group went to Cassidy's for pizza and dancing. **Ike Hoffman, Cynthia Wright, Carol Ragan, Phyllis Allman, and Lou Schultz** were just a few who



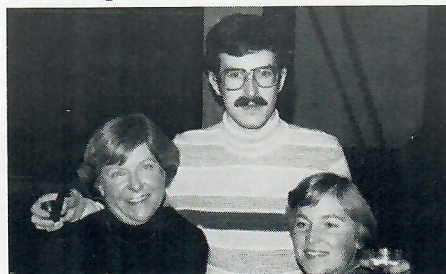
Cynthia, Jan, Lynn and Phyllis out for an afternoon of shopping.

helped celebrate. When the group walked in, they knew we were from Texas.

Pam Perry also had a birthday while we were there.

Andrew Johns and Richard Prestridge helped to catch a purse snatcher one night. It took a couple of hours and several miles of running through the snow, but they cornered him and called police.

One evening, we had dinner at Ptarmigan Inn and then went to their club. They did not have a waitress so **Jan Mouche** did the honors. The bartender wanted her to go to work full time. We



Joan, Andrew and Carole enjoying the party.

couldn't let a fun evening end early so **Jerry Boles, Jan Mouche, Carol Ragan, Lou Schultz, Phyllis Allman** and several others went swimming in the heated outdoor pool that was filled with plastic bubbles. The next morning as we passed by, there were bubbles everywhere.

There was a heavy snow storm one night but **Bill Landfield** was ready in his cowboy hat and heavy Mexican poncho.

After skiing each day the sauna and whirlpool were a big

help. **Jay Perry** wore his jockey shorts one evening as several of the girls can testify.

Shirley and Eric Holm visited several mornings with **Jeb McGruder** who was staying near them.



Top: Richard Prestridge, Jeanette Dahl and Dan Sebesta. Above: "Yep, it's an SCSC party, all right!" Below: Jan, Lynn, Pam and Lou.



Mary and Bob Vincent, Ginger Werler and Ken Winnickoff joined the entire group for New Year's Eve dinner at Ptarmigan Inn to watch the torch light parade come down the slope. Later at the New Year's Eve party held with the Chicago Ski Club, we knew why **Sharon Oertli** really had her neck brace on; it wasn't from a car accident, but whip lash from dancing with husband **Chris**.

Unfortunately, **Ginny Meyer** and **Dan Sebesta** were sick several of the days. **Craig Meyer** was our only injury, suffering a separated shoulder.

All in all, we really had a great time and the skiing was fantastic!

aspen I: skiing for christmas

by Gayle Davies

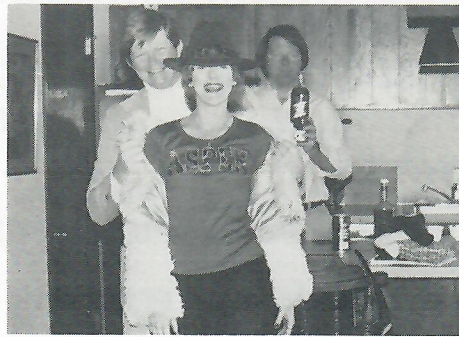
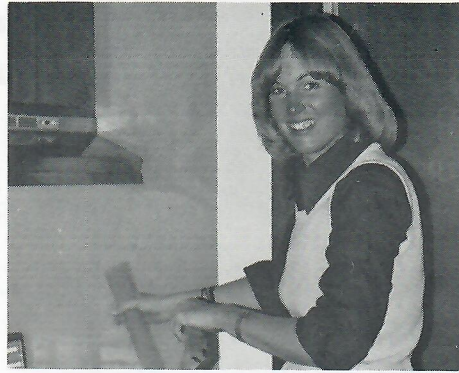
Plenty of the powdery white stuff greeted Aspen I skiers as their bus crept into the old mining town. It had been a grueling day of travel. The plane ride from Houston went off without a hitch (and almost without yours truly - due to none other than over-booking). But the bus from Denver literally crawled through the storm which dumped ten inches of fresh snow on Aspen in less than a day!

For powder freaks like **Bill Chalmers**, **Michael Kelly** and **Keith Eastin**, it was a great first day out. Then, after skiers and snow cats plowed the slopes, there was packed powder galore for all.

The small group spread out in all directions skiing the four Aspen area mountains. **Don Roper** has staked out a claim on West Buttermilk while his Aspen roommate took over Ajax (and *Little Nell's apres ski*). **Richard Phillips** and **Martha Beavers** could be seen scurrying off to Highlands early in the morning ... not to be heard from again until long after the lifts closed.

Then there was **Lee Grona** who could be spied at various parts of Ajax ... exhibiting expert form and keeping astride of that flash of lightning ... none other than **Michael Kelly**. Meanwhile, (back at the ranch), Lee's parents **Erik and Mary-Louise Erikson** were helping the local merchants have a profitable holiday season, viewing the local landmarks and taking to the ice on their skates.

The sport's two newcomers, **Lenny LeBlanc** and **Ruth Stodahill**, bravely and courageously trekked over to Highlands for their first lessons. Upon polling the budding downhillers, it appears that skiing has two new fans. As some may recall, those first lessons are a frustrating form of fun ... especially when a midget four-year-old gives a lesson in getting up



Top: The "Italian Chef" - Susan Rehder. Above: Admiring Ruth Stodahill's new T-shirt are Bill Chalmers, Keith Eastin and Lenny LeBlanc. Below: Ruth, Lenny, James, Don, Keith. "What's so funny, guys?"



after a spectacular spill! Best advice you had all day, huh, Ruth?

Congratulations to our NASTAR star - **Bill Chalmers** did himself and the Club proud by snapping up yet another medal.

All gathered at the illustrious trip chairman's condo to chat about their first day out and munch on some of **Susan Rehder's** old-fahsioned, fire-place-popped popcorn before going out on the town. Aspen lived up to its culinary and entertainment reputation. Eating establishments visited were the Crystal Palace, Red Onion, Ute City Banque and Mother Lode.

(All, incidentally, are recommended by this crowd.) Several found their various ways to Aspen's answer to Todd's, the Paragon Ballroom, and the Slope and Jerry's Place. Later in the week, the Pommergranate Inn and the Copper Kettle hosted the group for delectable feasts. (Thanks go to **Keith Eastin** for his superb job of chauffering everyone to the Pommegranate.)

But the gourmet prize goes to **Susan Rehder** for her famed spaghetti dinner (and breakfast) which trip members enjoyed on Christmas Eve (and morning). After the scrumptious meal, people relaxed in front of the crackling fire and perused the condominium's guest book. What to their delight appeared in her own write but a rhyme by the poet laureate .. **Bobbet Cross!** Sounds like a good time was had by all in January of 1975, too!

The return trip to Denver was vastly improved over the going. Blue skies and good road conditions helped brighten the sadness of parting. Leaving the leftover booze and food with straggler **Bill Chalmers**, who stayed for Aspen II, the travelers boarded the bus which took off ahead of schedule.

All progressed smoothly until it was discovered that someone (who will remain nameless) had the one and only key to condo number 10. The CBing driver tracked down the westbound Aspen II bus, assistant chairman **Roy Nice** sprinted across IH70 to make the "Colorado Connection" and pick up the key to, he thought, his condominium!

Aspen I skiers made it to Denver in record time to catch a DC-10 bound for the Big H. It was a happy - though tired --bunch that arrived at Intercontinental with another day of holiday left - hopefully to recuperate from a good trip and fun vacation!

nominees for scsc officers

1978 - 1979

THE SPACE CITY SKI CLUB NOMINATING COMMITTEE NOMINATES THE FOLLOWING CANDIDATES TO SERVE AS THE CLUB'S 1977 - 1978 OFFICERS:

PRESIDENT.....BOB ALLGEIER
VICE PRESIDENT — PROGRAMS.....JUDY ALLEN
VICE PRESIDENT — TRIPS.....KEITH EASTIN
VICE PRESIDENT — MEMBERSHIP.....SHIRLEY ANDRIES
VICE PRESIDENT — PUBLICATIONS.....CYNTHIA LACKEY
SECRETARY.....MARY KAY NICHOLSON
TREASURER.....BARRY KUMINS

These Candidates are nominated in accordance with the following Club By-Laws:

ARTICLE V: NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

- Section 1. *ELECTION. There shall be an election of officers held at the annual meeting in March. Election shall be by written ballot unless there is only one nominee for each office. The elected officers shall take office on May 1st.*
- Section 2. *DEFINITION. The elected officers shall be a President, Vice President-Programs, Vice President-Trips, Vice President-Membership, Vice President-Publications, Secretary and Treasurer.*
- Section 3. *ELIGIBILITY. The only persons eligible to hold office shall be those who have been members for the twelve months preceding the annual meeting.*
- Section 4. *NOMINATING COMMITTEE. There shall be a nominating committee of seven members elected by the Executive Committee prior to the January regular meeting. Not less than four nor more than five past officers of the Club shall serve on this committee. Current officers shall be ineligible to serve. Only persons who have been members for the preceding twelve months shall be eligible for membership on this committee.*
- Section 5. *NOMINEES. The Nominating Committee shall present one nominee for each office at the regular meeting immediately preceding the annual meeting. Any further nominations from the floor must be made at this regular meeting. Consent to serve shall have been secured from all nominees.*

The Nominating Committee met frequently over the past four weeks to consider many well qualified members for Club office. The Committee has assembled what we feel is an exceptionally well-qualified team of experienced and enthusiastic nominees. We appreciate their willingness to serve the Club.

It should be noted that the By-Laws allow additional nominations from the floor at the February Meeting. The election will be held at the March Annual Meeting. Please bring this flyer with you to the February and March Meetings.

Respectfully Submitted,
1978 - 1979 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Bob Allgeier, Chairman

Dale Englefield • Jane Kearby • Spencer King • Barry Kumins • Janet Pickell • Jim Plummer

proposed by-law amendments

ARTICLE II: OBJECT

Section 1. OBJECT: The object of this Club is to encourage interest and educate members in safe snow skiing.

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

Section 5. GUEST: No person may attend the meetings of this Club as a guest more than twice unless the person is a member of the Texas Ski Council or the person is a member's spouse acquired after the Club's membership renewal date.

Section 8. SKI TRIP ELIGIBILITY:

C. The spouse acquired by a member in good standing after the membership renewal date shall be allowed to participate together with that member in any Club sponsored ski trip as outlined in the Standing Rules.

ARTICLE V: NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Section 1. ELECTION: There shall be an election of officers held at the annual meeting in March. Election shall be by written ballot unless there is only one nominee for each office. Written absentee votes shall be allowed for participants on Club trips which occur on the annual meeting date if received at the Club post office box no later than midnight of the Saturday prior to the annual meeting date. The elected officers shall take office on May 1st.

standing rule changes

IV. TRIPS (SUMMER AND WINTER)

(This change is subject to the acceptance by the membership of Space City Ski Club of the proposed amendment to By-Law, Article III, Section 8. (C).)

- L. A non-member of Space City Ski Club may participate in Club sponsored ski trips in accordance with either of the following guidelines:
 - 1. The spouse acquired by a member in good standing after the membership renewal date shall be allowed to participate together with that member in any Club sponsored ski trip if the spouse, having applied for membership and the membership is closed, pays the required dues in order to take advantage of the first available membership opening.
 - 2. Members of ski clubs belonging to the Texas Ski Council may participate in Club trips in accordance with the following guidelines:
 - a. A non-member of Space City Ski Club, Inc. shall be allowed to participate in a Club trip if:
 - 1. The applicant for the Club trip is a member in good standing of any member club of the Texas Ski Council, and
 - 2. Is otherwise qualified and approved for participation by the applicable Space City Ski Club Trip Chairperson.
 - b. The resolution of the Texas Ski Council is incorporated into these Standing Rules in its entirety as follows:
(No further change)

V. MEMBERSHIP

- A. Membership waiting list shall have priorities as follows:
 - 1. A spouse acquired by a member in good standing after the membership renewal date shall have first priority.
 - 2. Non-members who have participated on a SCSC ski trip the previous year and desire membership in SCSC may, upon application, have second priority.
 - 3. All other applications in order of the date received.
- B. Membership in the Space City Ski Club is at all times considered to be an individual membership.
- C. Membership may be resigned in writing and by returning the membership card to the Vice President of Membership. The vacancy is to be filled by the Executive Committee in accordance with the By-Laws and Standing Rules.

VI. MISCELLANEOUS

(Previously Section V. It was renumbered to allow for insertion of new section on Membership)

scsc '77-'78 ski trips

TRIP	TRIP DATES	COST	FINAL PAYMENT DUE	TRIP CHAIRPERSONS AND ASSISTANTS	Phone HOME	Phone OFFICE
jackson hole	Feb. 18 Feb. 25	\$461.00	Jan. 9	TC Tom Mercer ATC Sheryl Rogers	1-836-5746 498-0377	
winter park	March 4 March 11	\$273.00	Feb. 1	TC Cynthia Lackey ATC Jim Franz	626-3519 774-3497	
sun valley	March 11 March 19	\$462.00	Feb. 11	TC Molly Rhodes ATC Barry Kumins	667-3390 464-6199	
vail II	March 18 March 25	\$345.00	Jan. 9	TC Marilyn Smith ATC Andy Fitzpatrick	465-3207 358-6262	
steamboat springs II	April 1 April 8	\$314.00	Feb. 13	TC Robert Reichel ATC Maxine Silverman	661-9304 781-7214	

KEN DOMINY, VICE PRESIDENT OF TRIPS
Home 680-0124

JUDY ALLEN, TRIP DIRECTOR
Home: 668-2739

CRAIG MEYER, TRIP DIRECTOR
Home 621-5594

markemaker by Virginia Kolter



Bill Brooks

This month's **markemaker** is **Bill Brooks**. He has been an outstanding member of the Club and has served in various capacities; Chairman of the annual "bar-b-que trip" (the bicycle trip) and Trip Chairman two years ago for Texas Ski Week at Crested Butte. **Jim McIntyre** introduced Bill to the Club five years ago. "Jim has introduced so many members," said Bill, "that he should get a commission - a bounty."

Bill grew up in Denver where he taught himself to ski on some G.I. surplus skis. "For \$9.95 you could get a complete ski outfit with a binding guaranteed never to release the boot." He broke a lot of skis but never a leg. He could buy another set of skis for \$4. He would ride the train to Winter Park for 90c and ski for the day. Nobody took lessons then. Bill graduated from the University of

Colorado with a degree in business and chemical engineering. He said, "We don't party much - the beer bill is only \$25 a week." He has worked for Gulf Oil for 23 years as their International Marketing Manager for plastics. He said, "I travel everywhere but the states."

He has skied with SCSC on the Aspen trip and Salt Lake City. He has also just returned from the Texas Ski Week at Copper Mountain where he won a Silver NASTAR. The first time he raced, he crashed. He has also skied in such places as Chile, Switzerland and Austria. He had hoped to add one more mountain to this list by going to New Zealand, Fiji and Australia this fall. "In New Zealand they had horrendous snow storms, but there was so much snow in September that you could not get up the hill. Aspen is still my favorite place to ski because it's more fun."

As for hobbies, Bill says, "Skiing is my best shot - no. 1. I enjoy it the most. I try to swim in the summer to stay in shape and of course, traveling is my bag. I love it!" In the winter, he and **Donna**, his attractive wife who is a sales and marketing representative for Gulf Air Lines, enjoy sitting in their jacuzzi sipping drinks with a couple of friends.

Bill is such a genuine and friendly person that he has friends everywhere he has lived

or visited: South America, Europe, New Zealand and Central America. While in England, Bill was mistaken for Bob Hope. While boarding a train, a porter was really giving him the royal treatment - brushing him off with the broom, etc. Suddenly to his chagrin, the porter realized it was not the famous star, but our hero, B.B.

Bill commended about one experience that he had while skiing in Europe. A German woman pushed and shoved her way ahead of everyone patiently waiting in a long lift line. She finally got to the chair lift but fell in a snow bank when she got off. Her head was buried in the snow and her skis were sticking up in the air. Nobody helped her - **Morale: Justice prevails!**

Every year except '76 and '77, Bill has skied an average of 20 days. When asked when his next ski trip would be, he said, "The next chance I get." Bill keeps a '58 Ford station wagon, "the White Ghost," to run around in Aspen. "It's like an Abbott and Costello movie. Driving from Snowmass to the condominium, the wheels wouldn't even touch the ground; there were so many people in it."

Bill Brooks is one of the nicest guys I know. He is a super representative for SCSC. His wit and charm are exceptional. He is a friend anyone would be proud to know!

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Train Race Winners: Stanley & Margaret McDonald, Duff & Angie Trimble.

By 3:30 p.m. on January 1, 1978, thirty-two Space city Skiers had gathered at Houston Intercontinental Airport to depart for Vail. We knew by the group's bright eyes that we had an amiable group, if not big parties.

Our plane was met in Denver by Warren "The Bomber" Redmond of Detroit, Michigan, who was to join the trip and now our trip had grown to thirty-three. There was a short delay in Denver while Mike Neff and Duff Trimble went back to the airport to search for their skis. All set? Not quite? Ron Smith was lamenting over a broken bottle of wine, then decided to check on his skis which were missing. Another quick trip back to the airport and we were off.

We had one more skier that was to meet us in Vail, but upon our arrival at the Mountain Haus, we still had not reached full capacity. Just how much fun did Rozelle Teplitsky have in Aspen? She called Monday to tell us she had lost her camera and would be in Vail Tuesday??

J. Rich was at our condos bright and early Monday morning with our skis. Everybody happy? Not quite. Frank Riesenberghad problems with his new boots which J. Rich assisted in correcting.

It seems that most everyone made a full day of skiing the first day, but of course, we had a few football fans - John Lecky, Dorothy Humphrey and Peter Tomlinson - who had to come in

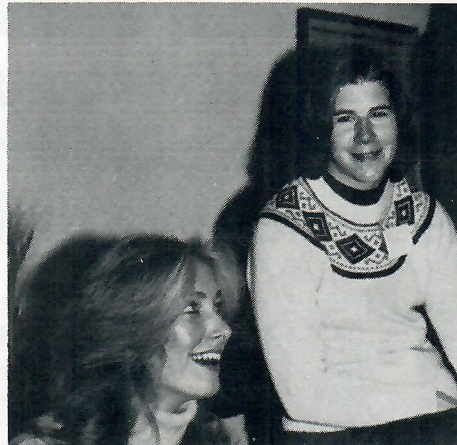
vail I

by Shirley Andries & Ron Smith

early to watch the Cotton Bowl game. Go Texas!

After skiing Tuesday, we were off to Ron's condo. Champagne, furnished by Continental Airlines, was the refreshment for the party. Then on to Garton's for dancing. Rick McFarland didn't like the service there so he took things in hand. He had such a good time that he decided to see if he could make some extra money.

The next night Sandra Palmer was not to be outdone. Due to the IRS, Sandy won't tell what she earned in tips, but Rick boasted \$1.



Above: Sarah Hodgman and Marilyn Ward enjoying Ron's party. Below: Mike Neff and Bob Truly.



At each party during the week, we promoted the NASTAR races for Thursday. George Hirasaki won a silver medal and the rest of us chalked the race up to experience. They should have awarded Ralph Norton some kind of medal for the most attempts. He just wouldn't give up and he raced the rest of the week when he wasn't skiing with Mary Ann Matak. Ralph decided that next year he'll have a medal for sure.



Taking a lunch break are Mike & Mary Neff, Angie Trimble, Janet & Ken Jack.

It is a known fact that SCSCers are an adventurous lot and it was true of this group also. A short-cut off of lift no. 3 was discovered by several different groups. What was discovered by Glen Bishop, Duff Trimble, "The Bomber" Redmond, Mike Neff and Shirley Andries was that there was a gully on one side of the tree and the right way to go on the other side. There's nothing like running into a wall of soft snow. Next time, we ski the tree.

Ron played host to the novice skiers on Thursday. He took Joe Assad, Charles Atkins, Sandra Palmer, Jerry Pyle and Rick McFarland on a day of blitzed skiing. What all were you fortifying those skiers with, Ron?

Friday we had a wine and cheese party on the slopes - due to a white-out it was held in the warm-up house. A train race followed and although you couldn't see one train from the next, Margaret and Stanley McDonald and Duff and Angie Trimble were declared the winners. We understand that a continuation of the wine drinking ensued at a snow banked picnic table where a diving contest off the picnic table was held. Participants included Angie and Duff Trimble, Mike and Mary Neff, Bob and Lenna Truly, Margaret and Stanley McDonald, Janet and Ken Jack, Marilyn Ward and Ron. In the meantime, Bob Chaffin and Mike Kelly were en-

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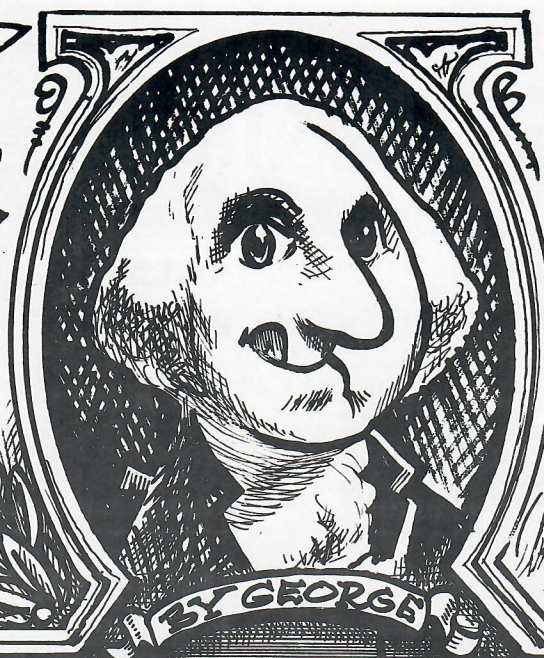
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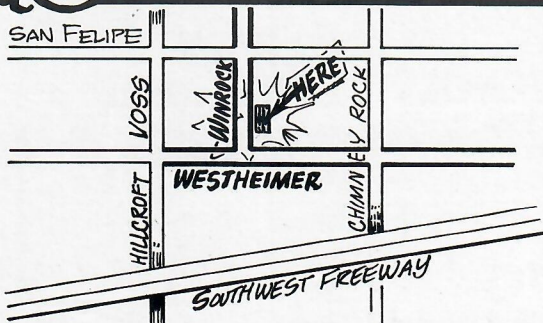
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