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# space city ski club

## \*ski meeting

MARCH 8, 1976  
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## activities & programs

MARCH 8 MEETING ..... S.C.S.C. OFFICER ELECTION  
AND CANADIAN MOVIE

MARCH 27 ..... VINTON HORSE RACES

APRIL MEETING ..... MEMBER TALENT & SKIT NIGHT  
1776-1976 OF SCSC  
SUMMER STYLE SHOW

MAY 1-2 ..... CRAWFISH FESTIVAL

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### MEMBERSHIP

End of Month - February, 1975

Singles .....932  
Married .....392

TOTAL .....1324



# head of the lift line



By Bob Olsen

MARCH, 1976

Congratulations are in order for all the participants on the two Texas Ski Week Trips. Your participation helped return the coveted

Trophy to Houston . . . better luck next year, Dallas. A full report is contained elsewhere in this edition.

We had some fun at the February Meeting getting the answers to some controversial questions. By show of hands, growls and other gestures, it was determined that: Advertising in the SITZMARKE is very much the preferred way to raise operating funds as opposed to raising dues. Therefore, we ask that you patronize our advertisers AND tell them that you are a member of the Club.

Strong approval was given to the continued use of the present meeting format of a cocktail hour beginning at 7:30 followed by the formal program. Continued record attendance seems to verify the success of the programs provided by Layna Adams.

Only moderate interest was expressed in increasing Club participation in community affairs. Our non-profit charter prevents us from trying to influence legislation but all other activities are within our

scope. I feel we can and should do more for our community.

Overwhelming interest was expressed in setting up a night at the Summit to see a hockey game. Lee Grona is already at work on this one.

## NOTICE Important Election

### '76-'77 OFFICERS

VOTE

MARCH MEETING

PLEASE BE ON TIME

SEE NOMINEE

QUALIFICATIONS IN THIS  
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# february meeting

## FEBRUARY MEETING

Highlights of the February Meeting included two nominations from the floor for the 1976-77 offices of President and Vice President of Trips and a report on Space City Ski Club's winning participation at Texas Ski Week.

Trip reports by Marilyn Geller and Warren Cross on Aspen, Ann Cornish on Texas Ski Week and Jim Benefield on Mt. Hood were followed by an informal survey of membership interest in earlier meeting times, more community involvement and a Ski Club night at a hockey game, was conducted from the podium by Club President, Bob Olsen. The formal program concluded with a showing of the instructional movie "Skiing American Style" and a demonstration of ski equipment by Messrs, Farrell and Pennington from J. Rich Sports.

A serious note was hit when Bob Olsen reported that the Board of Directors had added a provision to the Standing Rules prohibiting the use of illegal substances on Club trips or at Club functions. He noted that the Board felt that a conservative approach to potential problems has been a mainstay in the strength of the Space City Ski Club and that this action has been taken to head off a potential problem.

## ski news

Many Club members were sorry to hear at the February Meeting that Pin, Patches and Decals' Catherine Porter will be leaving Houston. Catherine was named Corporate Legal Staff Librarian for Bank of America. She will be setting up a legal information network based in San Francisco for Bank of

America's Los Angeles, Chicago, New York and Washington, D.C. offices, as well as their foreign offices in London, Tokyo and Buenos Aires. Although Catherine will miss her SCSC friends, she will remain a member of the Club and plans to keep in touch and treat next year's Lake Tahoe trip participants to a big party in San Francisco.

Space City Ski Club member, Stacie Bering, was named as a second alternate on the USSA Ladies Citizen Cross-Country Ski Team during USSA Ski Week at Big Sky, Montana. This team will join forces with the Men's Citizen Cross-Country and Alpine Citizen Racing Teams to serve as U.S. ambassadors of the sport and compete against similar teams on an international basis. Other announcements at the recent USSA Ski Week: Texas Ski Council came in fourth in the Nordic Council Challenge Cup, and Gar Bering was promoted from Chairman of the Ski Touring Committee to Vice-President, Nordic Recreation of USSA (national).

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# markemaker

By Ann Cornish



GLENN RIEGER

It took much persuasion by friend, Wayne Ahrens, to get Glenn Rieger to try skiing and to join SCSC. At first Glenn was very resistant to the idea of skiing, insisting he would not like it, and that it would be too cold! In February of '73, that attitude changed. On a Club trip to Steamboat Springs, Glenn experienced the thrill of skiing for the first time. "It was fantastic and the weather was beautiful and I was hooked," says Glenn. "I like skiing because it is such a departure from life in Houston . . . the contrast of flat and warm to mountains and snow."

Glenn's style of skiing is "bombing" downhill. The first time he went up the mountain he recalls "There wasn't a mogul left by the time I got through." Since Glenn has never had an injury while skiing, I would say that he's learned a considerable amount of control since that time. An avid weekly handball player, he uses this sport in particular for getting in shape to ski. The irony in this lies in the broken knuckle and numerous foot injuries Glenn has incurred while "getting in shape".

This year Glenn added a new dimension to his skiing; he began racing. This ski season he already has won four bronze NASTAR medals and missed a silver by only eight-tenths of a second! During the

Aspen Spirit of '76 Trip, he will try for another. "Racing is fun," says Glenn, "but I've learned one thing—don't cut too close to the poles!" In one recent race, Glenn turned too sharply, caught one of the poles and wiped out badly. On retrieving all of his scattered equipment, he noticed blue paint from the poles streaked across his glasses!

A native Texan, Glenn graduated from the University of Houston with a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering. He is a member of Tau Beta Pi honorary engineering fraternity. He has been employed by Petro-Tex Chemical Corporation for five years, working as a project engineer and mechanical equipment engineer. During the past year, he has worked as maintenance superintendent of the neoprene plant.

Glenn spends his leisure time playing golf, water skiing and salt water fishing and hunting. He likes to hunt deer in Colorado, duck and quail in the Texas Hill Country, and girls wherever and whenever.

Glenn has served the Club as a Lift Liner and an Assistant Trip Chairperson two years. He plans to continue working in the Club next year. Look for Glenn on the March Aspen Trip and at the Club's summer activities — he's a super guy and markemaker!

STOP SKIING



WHEN TIRED

# hints to foil ski thieves

**NEVER LEAVE SKIS ON A CAR RACK.** *Put them inside the car or trunk. If you're staying at a lodge, keep them in your room.*

**MARK YOUR SKIS PLAINLY WITH YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS.** *Your local ski shop can engrave them for you. A pair of unmarked skis is more tempting to thieves.*

**USE THE DIVIDE AND CONFUSE SYSTEM.** *Separate skis to two different locations when you go in the lodge or stop for lunch.*

**IF YOU ARE USING CABLE LOCKS,** *if possible run the cable through part of the binding so it can't be easily unscrewed.*

**EPOXY THE SCREW HEADS ON YOUR BINDINGS.** *This practice makes removal of the binding almost impossible.*

**IF YOU ARE ONE OF THE UNFORTUNATE SKIERS THAT WILL BE RIPPED OFF THIS YEAR, HERE ARE SOME VALUABLE TIPS ON WHAT TO DO.**

*Run, don't walk to the lodge management or security personnel.*

*The faster you report your loss, the better the chance the thief can be stopped before he/she leaves the area.*

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# 3 remaining ski trips ...1975-1976 ski season

By Bob Allgeir

It isn't known if it was the smaller room or the magic in the air, or the night and you and the music, or what, but I for one, had a ball at the General Meeting in February and also know that many reading this did too. It was an exceptionally fun meeting, I think. It has probably occurred to most of you at one time or another that skiers are a sort of different class of people. It sounds snooty but skiers just ARE amazing people and it's great to work with you all!

Having waded through that maudlin beginning, let's move on to the good, old dry numbers game. At this point, there are short to medium waiting lists on all of the original itinerary of twelve trips. It is well worth the try to sign up since short waiting lists can evaporate overnight. The two new trips did a brisk business at the February meeting. There are, as of this writing, ten spaces left on the **STEAM-BOAT-APRIL TRIP** and seven spaces left on the **SUPER TAOS LUXURY BUS TRIP** and **WINE TASTING EXCURSION**. There's not a lot of time left, gang, if you

want to ski again this season.

Strange as it seems, the Club was supposed to LOSE money this year to offset some inadvertent profits from last year (we are supposed to be a non-profit corporation). However, it has been a little difficult to do, in that some trips came home with a dollar or two left over. Most of the trips have, as planned, lost \$2 to \$4 per person and it is also planned that the new 3% airfare increase will not be passed on to the membership.

The **ASPEN-CHARTER TRIP** set some kind of record with **FOUR** perfectly-nice-folks getting hurt. This brings our total accidents to **EIGHT** so far, which breaks down (like an old car) to a 0.30% injury rate per skier day. This is ever so slightly lower than 0.34% for last year as a whole, but much higher than the 0.12% from the preceding '73-'74 year. Anyway, if our rate holds, about **SIX** more of you perfectly-nice-folks are going to get hurt this season. Please don't!! Just a **LITTLE** caution and a **LITTLE** more attention to your equipment could wipe out the preceding prediction. Please be careful!

## vail / easter

By Joe Cotrone

Snow conditions at Vail are looking good with 65 inches of snow base as of February 10, with more expected that week. Everything about the **Vail-Easter** trip is looking excellent; especially with the good group that are signed up to go.

Final payment is due March 8 NOW; balance is \$181.00. Mail to Joe Cotrone at 5801 Lumberdale, No. 118, Houston, Texas 77018.

The pre-trip party will be April 1 at 7:30 P.M. at Forrest Lake TownHomes Clubroom. A reminder that if you wish us to buy your lift tickets, I must have your check by the pre-trip party.

Those people who are on the waiting list, do not give up yet! Vail will be exciting at Easter, and Pat Blair, your Trip Assistant, promises some great parties. Also, if you are interested in the trip but have not signed up yet, give me a call, chances are good that you will be able to go on the trip due to late cancellations.

APRIL 13-18 \$231

## vail / easter

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KAY NEVELS . . .

**PRESIDENT**

How much do you know about your Nominating Committee's choice for President of Space City Ski Club? Kay Nevels has been actively involved in almost every aspect of your Club since she joined ten years ago, activities ranging from Trip Chairperson to Club Officer.

Kay's contributions to SCSC have included serving as a committee

member for the 10th Anniversary Party, spending considerable time with the Re-Organizational Study Committee, acting as the 1971 Aspen Trip Chairperson, 1973 Club Secretary and a member of the Board of Directors in 1974. Kay's involvements led her to the 1973 RMD-USSA Convention where she not only spoke, but represented the Texas Ski Council. Other activities she has been involved with are: Chairperson of many Committees (Drink Tickets, Membership, Lift Liners, RMD, etc.), running two Tennis Tournaments in 1975, one of which involved working with the 4th of July Luau committee, and participating in activities and trips other than ski trips sponsored by the Club. Serving in these capacities has given her an indepth understanding of the organizational and operational functions of the Club as well as a close personal relationship with the general membership and the leaders of the Club.

Kay's talents also lie in the area of skiing. Not being deterred by a broken ankle in 1969, she has continued to actively ski with the Club and has won a trophy for the Club in the Texas Ski Week Races

at Vail. In addition, she has won first place trophies in slalom and obstacle course races with the Club. Her dedication to skiing and the Club have made her a familiar face to SCSC members.

In her "spare" time, Kay is employed as Laboratory Supervisor at Texas Children's Hospital in charge of the Histology Lab. Her leadership abilities have also come forth in youth organizations, church work, tennis clubs and professional societies.

Kay, as President, wants to make SCSC more personal. Without some attention to this area, a membership of 1400, such as SCSC, could easily become impersonal. In addition to maintaining an active social program, Kay would also like to see continued concentration on accident prevention and better skiing. Conditioning and safety precautions are both of vital interest to the Club. Above all, promotion of skiing as a sport is important to her, and considering her dedication and involvement, this should be an easy task for Kay Nevels as President of SCSC, 1976.

*(As recommended by SCSC Nominating Committee.)*



SY LIEBERGOT. . .

**PRESIDENT**

Sy Liebergot, nominee for President, has probably become familiar to many members during the past three years as a result of the active role he has taken in Club activities and responsibilities.

Sy joined Space City during the 1972-73 season when he went on his first ski trip and has since participated in many Club trips (11 to date). This year he satisfied his goal of a NASTAR Medal before age 40. He was an Assistant Trip Chairman during the 1973-74 season and Trip Director during the 1974-75 season. He has represented the Club at the Texas Ski Council in Austin and the 1975 RMD Convention in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Currently, he is serving as Vice President of Membership. He has also contributed many articles and photos to our award-winning SITZMARKE.

Sy feels that his extensive exposure to all elements of Club operation combined with his current Officer's role will bring leadership, abundant experience and continuity to our Club operation. If elected,

his guidelines for future Club operations will include:

- \* A continuation to offer the maximum number of quality and interesting ski trips as well as other activities at the lowest possible cost.
- \* A continuation of the present efficient operation of the Club.
- \* A responsiveness to all Club members' needs and interests.

Sy has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering and works for NASA at the Johnson Space Center where he functions as a Flight Controller in the Mission Control Center during the space missions. His pastimes besides skiing include playing classical guitar, camping, bicycling, cooking (Italian and BBQ are specialties), wine, photography and lately, tennis.  
*(As nominated from the floor at the February Meeting.)*





**JOE C. COTRONE . . .**

**VICE PRESIDENT  
OF TRIPS**

Joe C. Cotrone, your Nominating Committee's nominee for Vice President of Trips, is currently serving as the Club's Vail Easter Chairperson. Joe accepted this nomination only after a great deal of thought and discussion, recognizing the responsibilities and challenge the office presents.

While attending the University of St. Thomas, Joe was active in

extra curricular activities and served as President of two clubs. Following college, Joe was in the investment business and is now with IBM in copier sales. He has been rewarded for exceeding his sales quota for the past four years by receiving the IBM "100% Club" award; and has been the District Copier Specialist of the Month several times. Joe also has product responsibility for several other salesmen. However, his experience with IBM hasn't been all business, since he has held the offices of Vice President and President of the IBM Club.

Joe's nomination was recommended by several of our current Officers as a result of his Vail Trip accomplishments. His thorough approach to trip management was apparent when he visited Vail in the summer and again in December, at his own expense, to ensure the best possible arrangements for his Easter Trip. As an example of Joe's ability to negotiate (a real requirement for

our Vice President of Trips) he was able to obtain a significant life ticket price reduction which had not been previously available to the Club.

Joe is looking forward to establishing an exciting series of trips for the 1976-77 season. He hopes to build upon the Club's excellent program of quality trips by considering additional economy bus trips, possibly a European trip, and perhaps a trip to one of the Eastern ski areas. As an Officer, Joe would like to encourage wider membership participation in Club operations, more openness in Club management, greater emphasis on ski safety and conditioning and increased pre-trip assistance for the beginning skier.

Joe is looking forward to the opportunity to serve the Club as Vice President of Trips and asks your support in the March election. *(As recommended by SCSC Nominating Committee.)*

**JIM BENEFIELD . . .**

**VICE-PRESIDENT  
OF TRIPS**

**JIM BENEFIELD**, nominee for Vice President of Trips, is a partner in the law firm of Payne, Benefield & Widmer and a former employee of Shell Oil Company. He has lived in Texas for 10 years and has been a member of SCSC for five years. During his years with SCSC, he has been Trip Chairperson for



the Vail Easter Trip, and the Mt. Hood, Oregon Trip and has participated in five other ski trips. Jim has also participated in the SCSC Spring Follies and written the Apres Ski column for the **SITZMARKE**. His hobbies, in addition to being a member of the "World Championship Barbeque Team", include sailing, out-door sports, backgammon, and fun.

*(As nominated from the floor at the February meeting.)*

**DUFF TRIMBLE . . .**

**VICE PRESIDENT  
OF MEMBERSHIP**

**Duff Trimble**, nominee for Vice President of Membership, has enjoyed 3½ years of activity with SCSC, including this year's participation as Director of Trips. He has made as many trips with the Club as time and funds would allow, and served as Assistant Trip Chairperson for the Breckenridge Trip last year.

This year's Club duties have involved assisting with the Luau and Canyon Lake Trip during the summer, as well as assisting the Treasurer, Vice President of Trips,

and others in conjunction with this year's busy ski schedule.

Aside from skiing, Duff enjoys canoeing and camping in the Canadian wilderness, fishing (while canoeing, wading, or in competition), skating, bike riding (when time permits), and puttering with plants. He makes his own fishing rods and plastic worms, and is on the water whenever an opportunity arises.

During the week, Duff is busy over-seeing the operations at Admiral Linen Service, which his father founded in 1948.

His ski trips this year include

Breckenridge/Crested Butte, Taos (family trip), Taos Bus Trip this March, and hopefully, Steamboat in April.

*(As recommended by SCSC Nominating Committee.)*





**JANE McCORMICK...**  
**SECRETARY**

Jane McCormick, nominee for Secretary, has been a member of SCSC for the past three years and has gone on several ski trips with the Club as well as participating in other Club activities. She has served the Club this year by acting as

Committee Chairperson for SCSC Pins, Patches and Decals sales at monthly meetings and other Club functions.

Originally from New York, Jane has lived in Houston for several years and works for Shell Oil in their library.

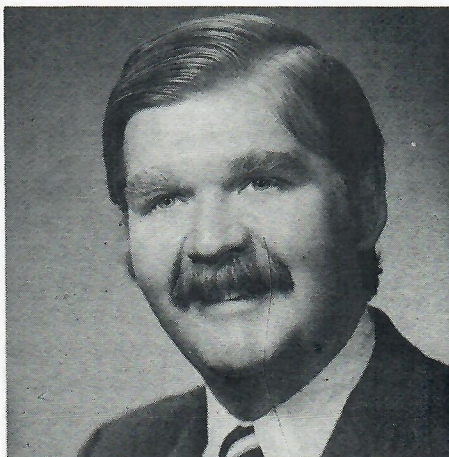
*(As recommended by SCSC Nominating Committee.)*



**ROBERT W. (BOB) MARWIN. .**  
**TREASURER**

Robert W. (Bob) Marwin, nominee for Treasurer, has been a member of Space City Ski Club since February, 1975, when he was transferred to Houston from San Francisco. He is a skier, a sailor, a hot-shoe biker, a jogger, and a connoisseur of California wine.

Bob has been active in Club activities and has participated on the SCSC bicycle trips, the canoe



trip, and the Herb Farm trip. A former winter-weekend regular at Lake Tahoe, this season so far, his skiing has been confined to the Salt Lake City Trip and the Aspen Charter Trip. Serving as Trip Chairperson of the Taos Magic Bus Trip, and resting on the Steamboat In April Trip will finish his ski season. Bob's credentials include a B.S.E.E. from University of Detroit and a M.B.A. from U.C.-Berkeley.

*(As nominated by SCSC Nominating Committee.)*



**LINDA McDUFFIE. . .**  
**VICE PRESIDENT**  
**OF PUBLICATIONS**

Linda McDuffie, a member of SCSC for two years, will be taking her fifth ski trip with the Club to Banff. She has also participated in many non-ski Club programs. Linda has served as a Lift Liner and as a Contributing Editor of the SITZ-MARKE for 1975-76.

Linda graduated from the University of Texas at Austin with a B.S. in Interior Design. She is employed as a Space Planner/Designer of commercial interiors by Texas

Office Supply Co. Linda, a member of the American Society of Interior Designers, is on the Board of Directors of the Texas Gulf Coast Chapter.

Linda has also volunteered her time to several political and community service organizations, including A.C.L.U., N.O.W., H.C.W.P.C., and VITA.

Linda wants to encourage all SCSC members to contribute ideas, articles, photos and information about their activities to the SITZ-MARKE staff.

*(As recommended by SCSC Nominating Committee.)*

**LOUISE-ELIZABETH GRONA. . .**  
**VICE PRESIDENT**  
**OF PROGRAMS**

Lee Grona is originally from San Antonio, Texas. She graduated from the University of Texas at Austin and is presently teaching physics and physical science at Stratford High School in Spring Branch.

Lee has been a member of Space City for five years. In that time, she has been Assistant Trip



Chairperson for the 1974 Salt Lake City Thanksgiving Trip, Co-Chairperson of the 1975 Spring Follies, Trip Chairperson for the 1975 Salt Lake City Thanksgiving Trip and is skiing on three trips with the Club this year.

She is also an avid sailor; racing on a Catalina 27, she skippered that boat to a second place in the Galveston Bay Ladies Day Race last August. Lee also enjoys photography and sailing her Hobie 16.

*(As nominated by SCSC Nominating Committee.)*



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# texas ski week crested butte trip

By Bill Brooks and Susan Rehder

Crested Butte is a charming and picturesque town established in the 1800's during the Colorado mining boom days. Mount Crested Butte sticks up out of the valley to provide a perfect ski mountain with a wide variety of runs, lots of sun, and no lift lines. On January 11th, 44 eager skiers set off for Crested Butte and Texas Ski Week. All 44 of us made it to Crested Butte, but not without the assistance of a search party which tracked down a very lost Dale Allbritton in the Denver airport. We owe many thanks to the hard work of Greg Danneels and Chuck Steele of Continental Airlines. Continental, along with the Crested Butte Ski Resort, sponsored Texas Ski Week. Our first thanks are for the champagne lunch on the bus ride from Denver - does anyone really remember it???

However, almost everyone was up bright and early for the first day of skiing. The daily mixed saunas seemed to soothe most of those all too familiar aches and pains. In between our successful parties (judged to be successful by the number of empties) we were trying out Crested Butte's "night life". Actually, there was a great "cowboy" bar in town, the Tailings. Rusty Weir was the prime attraction there. However it was also a great place to meet girls. Question . . . who robs cradles and receives perfumed love letters? The town also offered some unique, delightful and cheap restaurants with one a contender for serving the world's thickest pizza. Aside from watching a couple SCSC individuals (un-named to avoid embarrassment) come down "Resurrection", racing was the climax of the week. The ski school provided us with a racing clinic to make us at least think that we could get down the course.

NASTAR races were run on Friday and SCSC had many bronze medal winners. The Texas Ski Week Fun Races were on Saturday. Space City dominated the races both in numbers and quality. Roger Maupin won second in the men's races while Monique Knox won her usual first in the women's races. We won the Texas Ski Week trophy by a wide margin. Our hosts provided us with a fine wine and cheese spread at the base of the course to help us enjoy the day. Thanks go to Monique Knox who was our race coordinator.

Loaded down with our trophies, we boarded the buses on January 18th. The trip back to Denver was considerably more subdued with the exception of the blackjack game being held in the back of the bus. However, things picked up in the airport, when a couple of our members managed to find the nearest bar. The flight hostesses on that Continental flight will always remember the "entertainment" put on in the lounge by Paul Schubert and Sal Conti. It was sad to part ways in Houston, however, Space City

will be going back again next year to Crested Butte for Texas Ski Week -- this time to retain our trophy!



Trip participants enjoying the Texas Ski Week Awards Ceremony: Mark Frnka, Milford Frnka, David Mueller, Paul Schubert, Gayle Davies, Loretta McKinnon, James Sikes, Sal Conti. Next, Duff Trimble, Loretta McKinnon, Greg Danneels and Brent Johnson taking a "ski break". Below: Trophy Winners Monique Knox, Roger Maupin and Molly Rhodes.





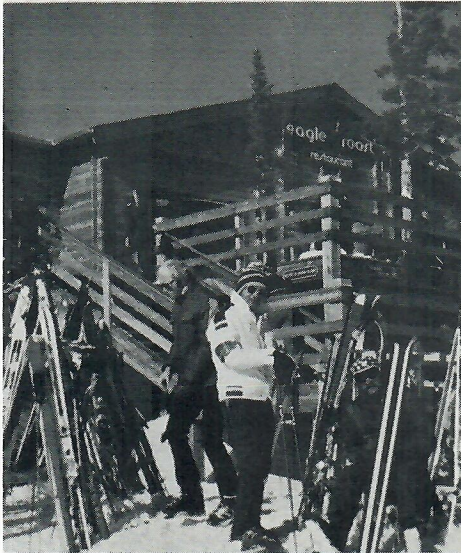
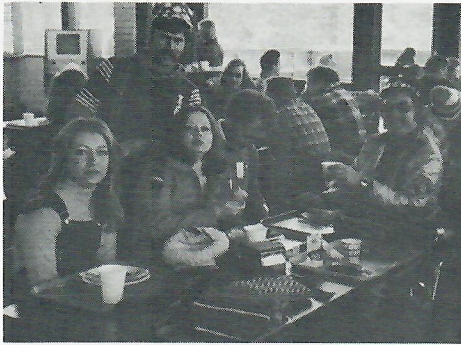
# Harry at the Gate or Mudville Revisited

(Editor's note: Herein follows another account of the ski meet between the Space City Ski Club's alpine team and that of the Dallas Ski Club, vying for that symbol of Texas skiing supremacy, the Cockroche Cup. Apologies are tendered to the author of "Casey at the Bat," to baseball fans everywhere and to the actual SCSC winners this year.)

*The outlook wasn't brilliant for the SCSC team,  
For Dallas had the Cup locked up, or so the score would seem.  
The gap in total time was wide, with merely three runs more,  
And only Harry, thought the fans, could even up the score.  
But Sy preceded Harry, and Bob (the smooth of face),  
The former, almost hopeless, the latter, a disgrace,  
And so the Bayou City fans assembled on the slope  
Resigned themselves to deep despair, and all but gave up hope.  
But Sy amazed the faithful with a dazzling slalom run,  
And Bob turned in the fastest time that he had ever done;  
And when the timer's clock cranked out the latest total sum,  
The gap was fifty seconds, and Harry's time had come!  
The Cockroche Cup of Texas was squarely on the line,  
And Harry now could clinch it with a run of forty-nine.  
Then from the Houston partisans arose a yell so shrill,  
Reverberating back and forth between each vale and hill;  
It built to a crescendo, with no sign it would abate,  
For Harry, mighty Harry, was advancing to the gate!  
There was pride in Harry's bearing as he poled into his slot,  
A swagger marked his manner as he stamped the starting spot.  
And when responding to the cheers he lightly flicked his pole;  
No stranger in the crowd could doubt 'twas his, the hero's role.  
Six hundred eyes were on him as he bent his head to sneeze;  
Three hundred tongues applauded as he wiped it off his knees.  
Then, pausing for a wax-job by his ever-present crew,  
(For Ruth stood by each Rossignol, as Jack by each K-2)  
And seeing now the nervous frown that crossed the face of Ed,  
Our hero beamed with confidence; "Don't worry, Coach," he said.  
And now the crowd falls silent as if Judgement Day had dawned,  
And Harry crouches, cat-like, up behind the starter's wand,  
His lonely figure shrouded in a faintly pinkish glow  
Where the crimson of his eyeballs was reflecting on the snow.  
And now he pushes off his poles, and hurls his body free,  
And now he's jetting down the slope, t'ward immortality!*

*Ah, somewhere in the Lone Star State, the sun shines bright today,  
Somewhere men are laughing, somewhere hearts are gay;  
Somewhere sweet old ladies smile, their faith in man renewed;  
There ain't no joy in Houston - mighty Harry has DQed!*

.....Bill Barr



Above: Debbie McCarty, Tom Mercer, Ann Cornish, Bob Copple and Greg Thompson at lunch. Next Bob Copple and Tom Mercer searching for their skis outside the Eagle Roost Restaurant at Breckenridge. Below: Duff Trimble and Bob Allgeier admiring SCSC's new trophy. Judy Allen, Sy Liebergot, Linda MacFarland, Pat McLaughlan, Jim St. Clair, and Earl Longoria at one of the trip cocktail parties. Far right: SCSC contestants line up for Texas Ski Week races.





# breckenridge-crested butte

By Ann Cornish

Friday, January 9, was the beginning of a nine day ski playcation for 44 lucky SCSC members. Our group was welcomed aboard our flight as Sin City Ski Club (corny, but not altogether inappropriate). In flight, Continental entertained us with a couple of games. One was to name six U.S. capitols beginning with the letter "s". Another was to name ten parts of the body having only three letters. Bear in mind that the games started after one hour or more of drinking. Our group was none too swift at coming up with answers even with cheating and collaboration. Finally, a couple of souls came up with the right answers and received a bottle of complimentary and unnecessary champagne.

On arrival in Denver, we made the customary stop at Apple Jacks. In a mere twenty minutes, Glenn Rieger, my able bodied assistant, bought and loaded \$117 worth of Club booze and we were on our way. I wonder how 44 people could all stand in a bus aisle with drink in hand, but it seems they all did. Voices rose in song or facsimile thereof. Tom Mercer took his post at the back of the bus as self appointed bartender. Before long, he had the nickname of either "Bar Boy" or "John Boy", depending on one's reason for going to the back of the bus.

At one of our parties in Breckenridge, we had ski films shown by Lee Lucas, a Breckenridge local. The films were set to music, and one showed a man skiing in an old-fashioned pea coat. It really happened last Easter in Breckenridge!

A more talked about party, after-a-party, involved one half of our group giving one another back rubs and evolved into a game called "Choo Choo" organized by Linda MacFarland and Jane McCormick. If you don't know what "Choo Choo" is, I'll not explain. It loses everything in the translation and must be played to be enjoyed. And

enjoyed it was by Glenn Rieger who I remember as an engine with a lot of steam, and Bob Copple who had a hard time keeping in line. Other "Choo Choo" participants included Jerry Maley, Deborah McCarty, Tom Mercer, Nancy Scott, Jim Easter, Janet Pickell, Neil Williams, and many others.

Four days of skiing Breckenridge, Keystone, and Copper Mtn. were really fine; then it was off to Crested Butte in style with a case of Continental champagne as well as beer and wine. David McCarty and Greg Thompson alone drank four bottles of champagne. They were looking for something to christen and it is my sincere hope that they never found it. Jim Easter and Angie Trimble drank another couple of bottles in their celebrated champagne chug-a-lug.

Of course, you know by now that SCSC won first place at Texas Ski Week and received the silver Loving Cup! Monique Knox and Judy Allen took first and second place respectively in the women's division. Molly Rhodes also received a third place trophy. Trophies were given by Continental at a special Awards Party with free beer and hot dogs for all the Texas clubs. This was followed by an impressive torch-light parade.

All too soon it was over and we were Houston bound. There was a wait at the Denver airport, but everyone just watched the Super Bowl. Texas Ski Week will be in Crested Butte again next year. Those of you who missed it this year should go. It was GREAT FUN!



Above: Molly Rhodes taking a break between Texas Ski Week races. Below: Linda MacFarland, Jim Easter and Kathy Allgeier at the race picnic.





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By Bob Neiman

## ASPEN

(Comments by Jim Stofferelli)

Eating in the Aspen area can be just as gratifying as the skiing - 52 inches packed powder base with 6 inches new snow overnight. In fact, it has been said that many gourmands, cleverly disguised as skiers, travel to Aspen just to eat. I'm sure that's not true of any of our members. You'll find over 85 restaurants to choose from. Since you may not take your **SITZ-MARKE** to Aspen, remember to get a list of the restaurants when you get there so you can pick and chose according to your tastes. Some of the finer restaurants (by quality, not price) include:

### ..... DINNER .....

**LITTLE ANNIE'S** - very reasonable prices - \$2 - \$7 for the hungry skier. Bill of fare includes Chili - great; Bar-B-Que - greater; Trout - greatest. Try their beer + shot of whiskey for a buck to get a quick Rocky Mountain High. No entertainment (except the dynamite waitresses).

**JAKE'S STEAK PLACE** - obviously well known for its steak - all kinds - with sufficient accompaniments (artichokes, sauteed fresh mushrooms, etc.) to fill almost anyone, and still "meat" the demands of the picky eater.

**THE RED ONION** - good food, good meat, good God, let's eat here, just once because we've heard so much about it. Expensive. Reservations accepted - 925-7001.

**POMEGRANATE INN** - between Aspen and Buttermilk, with free limousine service from town. Features king crab with other gourmet specialties. Worth the short ride for such a good meal. Loyal Aspenites consider it the up and coming place to eat. Moderate prices. Reservations accepted. 925-2700.

Others worth mentioning:  
**THE ASPEN MINE CO.** - fine prime rib.

**THE MAGIC PAN** - crepes.  
**UTE CITY BANQUE** - specializes in very good continental cuisine in an historic bank setting. No credit cards accepted.

**VILLAGE DELI** - (Snowmass) good quick meal.

**THE STEW POT** - (Snowmass) guess what's best?

**THE REFECTORY** - (Snowmass) if you like the one in Houston, try this one.

**THE STONEBRIDGE INN** - (Snowmass) good entertainment, friendly waitresses and good grub.

### ..... BREAKFAST .....

**ANDRE'S RESTAURANT** - featured in a Playboy article for a good reason. Eggs Sonora and Eggs Pepperade are the specialty but they also have 2 over easy with bacon and coffee at pretty reasonable prices. Good brunch also.

**THE EPICURE** - great omelettes from \$1.75 for jelly to \$2.90 for shrimp, with chicken liver, ham, and cheese in-between. Quick service for the early bird skier.

**VILLAGE PANTRY** - this is the writer's pick for a place with excellent grub. Try the High Country Breakfast which includes juice (large), ham, 2 eggs, 2 pancakes, homefries, and coffee. Superb!

### ..... LUNCH .....

You came here on a ski trip, remember? Grab a bite at one of the restaurants on the slopes (usually expensive, but good food), and get back to the black diamonds.

**BANFF - ALBERTA, CANADA**

For those of you who like to

ski in a colder clime, the following comments from Will Green should serve as an intro into the Banff dining:

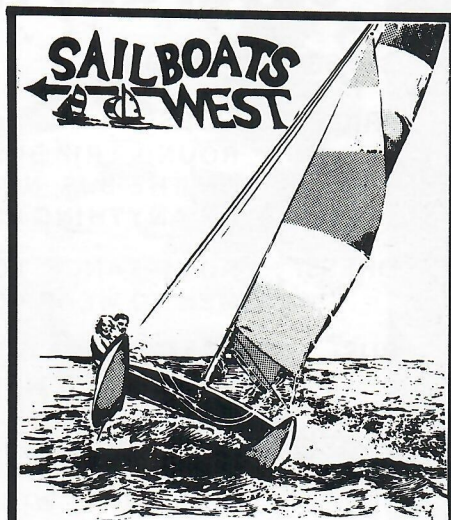
**BUMPER'S** - The Beef House (phone 762-2622). Will recommends Bar-B-Que Rib Bones. One rib was an excellent plate full. The salad bar, which goes with all dinners, is really super. In addition to the regular items, the salad bar has Greek Dressing, tubs of Swiss and goat cheese and Greek olives.

**THE CABOOSE** - located at the Canadian Pacific Railroad Station. The steak and lobster combination is recommended.

After dinner, the **BUFFALO PADDOCK** bar in the Cascade Inn in downtown Banff has good entertainment.

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