

THE SITZMARKE



SPACE CITY SKI CLUB

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REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Monday 7:30 PM

May 10, 1971

Lock's Sir-Loain Inn
"Crown Room"

(Corner of the South Loop West
and South Main)

The only thing that resembles the fun skiers have when they are together on the slopes is when skiers get together for activities during the off season. We are in the process of planning a number of summer activities and urge your support of them. Of course there will be the traditional "No Snow Preakness" at Lafayette. We will try to have two or three trips there. The picnic and sailing outing is on the agenda. There have been suggestions for other parties and activities. We are open for ideas.

At the monthly meeting May 10th, we will have details about some of the activities. We will have an exciting movie to start our summer program. If you have ever thought of gliding over blue waters under your own sail with the white spray of the ocean parting across the bow then you will want to be at this meeting.

The movie is "Wings to the Caribbean". It will be presented by the International Yachting Club of America in conjunction with Travelguide Co.. It will feature Yacht Sailing in

the Caribbean with related activities of water sports, dinner and dancing and festivals of fun. Our own Mary Zarsky will be on hand for any inquiries about chartering a yacht.

I thought this would be appropriate for our first off season program. I urge you to attend and learn about our summer activity schedule. I also need help. I would like to know who would be interested in working as trip chairmen, phone call committies, and anyone who can help with all the details necessary to insure the success of our activities.

Don't miss the meeting and movie, Monday May 10th ! See you then.

Ed Williams, V. P. Programs



Gosh Jim, that's the whole roll!

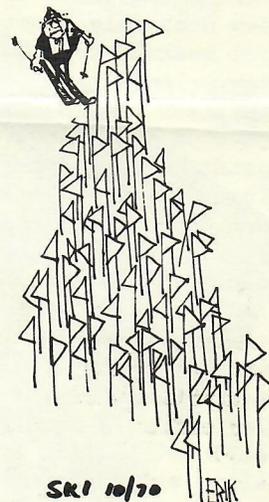
MEMBERSHIP NOTES

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Dues for 1971-1972 should now be paid. \$10-single; \$15-married. Make payable to: SPACE CITY SKI CLUB Mail to: Joyce Testa, V.P. Membership 2408 Yorktown Apt. 240 Houston, Texas 77027

SCSC BRIDGE PLAYERS

The next session of bridge will be May 19 at 7:30. The hostess will be Mary Lou Gastinger, 309 Stratford #5. Please RSVP to Mary Lou 522-2464 or Iris Eaton 666-2020.



FROM THE HEAD OF THE LIFT LINE 1971-1972

This issue of the SITZMARKE marks the end of another highly successful year for The Space City Ski Club, and the beginning of a new year, which we hope, will be even more successful. At this time it seems appropriate to review briefly the past years activities, and to take special note of the outstanding performance turned in by President Jerry Maley and his staff of capable officers.

The 1970-71 season was truly the best ever in the history of our Club. The officers at the beginning embarked on a highly ambitious (many thought overly ambitious) program of eight ski trips, including no less than four previously untried areas! All of these trips came off as scheduled and were tremendous successes!

In addition to the ski trips, our officers provided us with two weekend trips to Lafayette for the horse races, two trips to the New Braunfels Wurstfest, one weekend trip to the New Orleans jazz festival, a summer picnic at the Houston Yacht Club, nine outstanding meetings--including a member-produced musical comedy, a new policy of informal seating and dress at the meetings, a newly expanded annual club roster (including pictures and write-ups of all Club activities for the year). Our officers handled over \$100,000 in trip monies alone and guided 900 members in the various Club activities. This is only a partial list of their achievements. A hearty "well done" go to Ron Rabin-

V.P. Trips; Scott Granlund-V.P. Programs, Barbara Nix-V.P. Membership, Darwin Miller-Treasurer, Mary Beth Jackson-Secretary, Margie Fanette- P.R. Director, and a very special thanks to President Jerry Maley, without whose expert guidance this could not have been possible.

Looking forward now to next year, your new officers have a special request of you. During the next month we will be planning ski trips and other activities for the new season. You will find enclosed in this issue of the SITZMARKE a questionnaire which has been designed to give us better information on what you, the Club members, desire in the way of trips and activities. Please help us by filling out this questionnaire NOW and returning it. Your officers will truly appreciate it.

Jerry Chiles
SCSC President 1971-1972

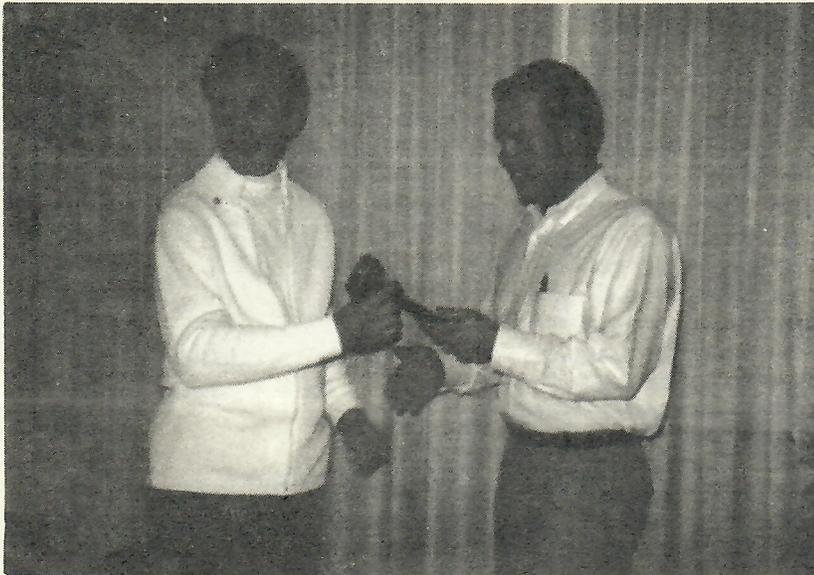


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ONE GOOD DEED DESERVES ANOTHER



Jerry Maley seems reluctant to give up his office.....



but finally decides to turn over the Club's leadership to Jerry Chiles



May I first congratulate Margie Fanette on the beautiful job she has done as P.R. Director. She spent many long, and hard hours compiling the SITZMARKE and roster. She increased 1970-71's newsletter from 4 pages to 8 pages and you will soon see the great change in the roster.

Secondly, I would like to thank Margie for her guidance and encouragement in helping me get started with the many tasks at hand, (or should I now say typewriter). Without her assistance you would probably be reading the most jumbled newsletter you ever read, but hopefully this will be considered a trial and error issue and they will improve with time (and experience).

After spending several evenings with Margie, watching her compile the SITZMARKE, I was amazed at all the duties required of this office. Although she did most of her duties without much assistance, I don't want to get gray before my time, so I am asking for volunteers to help me to take pictures, sell advertising, do PR work, draw cartoons, and give new ideas for our SITZMARKE. I know we have a lot of talented, and hard-working people in our Club and the more help and ideas given, the better the SITZMARKE for all! Please contact me at the next meeting or call me at home: 626-2081. Thank you.

Tanny Koepfel
P.R. Director



UTAH!

Thirty-five SCSC'ers invaded Park City, Utah, on March 20th, to spend one full, glorious week on their magnificent slopes. This was Spring Skiing at its best. We had everything from slush to popcorn to powder. It was all great. Most of our skiers were beginners and all approved of the ski school and the beginner slopes. Eric Lowenthal won the downhill slalom in his ski school class at the end of the week.

Our more advanced skiers all approved of the intermediate and advanced slopes. There was something for everyone. Most of the intermediate skiers were trying the advanced slopes, or at least some of the advanced slopes, by the week's end.

We had one accident the second day out, Marc Broussard broke both bones in his left leg. This seemed to satisfy all requirements for accidents on a trip since no one else had any more than a sprained ankle. Marc is doing much better now, and will be back on the slopes next year. We were all glad it was the end of the season, for his sake.

There are lots of charming restaurants and shops in Park City. We didn't lack good food, and it was cheap. Everything was inexpensive, including, and especially lift tickets.

Another area close by is Park City West. The runs there are equally great. No lift lines and no crowds. Would you believe.....?

On Thursday, we went around the mountain to ALTA, the greatest skiing valley in the world. The majesty of the mountains is enough to take your breath away just looking up at them. Get on top and look down, that's where the real thrill comes in. The slopes mostly are wide and beautiful. There are a number of chutes that, I promise you, go straight down. No stopping, and you better not fall, 'cause you won't stop until you hit bottom. One thing about skiing powder, when you do fall it doesn't hurt. Even the beginners enjoyed Alta. There is a great beginner slope there, wide open and gentle.

There were even a courageous few that tried the night skiing. You've got to admit it's different. The slope is well lighted but it was a little late in the year to get much more than ice.

Well, with our sunburned, raccoon faces, we departed on the 27th, sadly leaving some good skiing until next year.

Don Doucette, Trip Chairman
Marjean Chrisman, Assistant
Trip Chairman



Don Doucette - waiting for the people to come to the Wine & Cheese Party



Eric Lowenthal



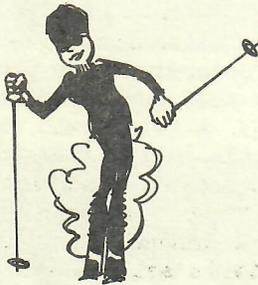
Jeriann and Otmar Kolber



Lelah & Bill Sheppard,
Don Doucette



Jim Easter



LET THERE BE VAIL

And there was

72 VAIL SKIERS-
PALE FACES TO RED FACES

Aside from Jim Grassman's dislocated shoulder, the Bristol's splintered hands(from wooden balcony during the fire), and everyone's sunburn, there were no major catastrophes for our Easter group. In fact, observation of a few new romantic duos might indicate that the trip was even more successful than we bargained for-above and beyond the great skiing.

Of course, we had quite a group ---

a veterinarian, an accomplished pianist, a certified ski instructor, many good looking school teachers, a few present and former officers of the Club, many serious drinkers and even a few serious skiers.

How could we miss taking Vail by storm! !

Thursday, we left Houston about 5 p.m. and arrived in Denver about 7 p.m.. And, after ironing out some problems with our luggage we boarded Continental buses for Vail. The buses were nicely equipped with several wines but unfortunately not quite enough Coors, but everyone made merry anyway. It certainly was a relief to see snow midway on the bus trip, although, many people either through deep conversations, sleep, or "other", did not seem to care too much at this point.

Our 10:30 arrival in Vail was rather tumultuous! - especially if you viewed the lobby piled high with yellow-bagged skis, boxes of boots, and many-many pieces of

luggage (who says skiers travel light). But, eventually everything disappeared-people included.

Friday, most people hobbled out to try the slopes, many to the new Lion's Head area (down the road a piece), some out the door to Gondola #1 and Mid-Vail, and the balance to the Golden Peak Ski School area. At our wine and cheese party that night(wine, beer, snick-snacs-no cheese), people were already relating tales of fun, scares and death-defying feats on the slopes. And, by Saturday nights extravaganze, (open bar and hot hors d'oeures and many uninvited guests) the tales became even more animated and thrill-filled.

Sunday morning "was a hot time in the ole town" especially for the Trip Chairman and spouse who had to evacuate their 4th floor room over the balcony because of a small conflagration. Thank goodness no one else was involved. (Why the 4th floor though?)

Activities for the rest of Sunday and Monday consisted of lots of wining, dining, socializing and mainly skiing. Thus it was a tired but happy group that boarded the buses for Denver Monday at 3:00. Our thanks to Don Roper and Jerry Chiles for recognizing the potential catastrophe of no booze on the buses and procuring some. As a result, by the time we reached Denver, we were a "happy"crew. The balance of our journey to Houston was uneventful except for a lost ticket or two. Our trip officially ended about 10:30. We had a great trip with some great people. Everyone now is looking forward to our Post Trip rendezvous May 1st - lots of champagne and the renewing of the great friendships which originated in Vail.

Judy Bristol, Trip Chairman

Announcing the WOODMOOR Corp from Denver will be in Houston the evening of Wednesday May 12 to show a slide presentation on the new recreational facilities being built this year and next year in BRECKENRIDGE, CO. Skiers interested in learning more about the expansion of the ski area and WOODMOORES role in the development of BRECKENRIDGE are invited to attend and can confirm reservations by calling Denver collect Area 303-279-7821.
Richard Laughlin

ICE SKATING

WINTERLAND ICE RINK

No More ICE SKATING (This Season)

To those of you who took part in our monthly ice skating parties at Winterland Ice Rink this year the officers and co-chairmen would like to say "thank you" for your support.

We had fun ice skating, playing broomball, sled racing on the ice, and don't forget all that good (I use the term loosely) wine and cheese. Try to keep the memories of our fun this year for next September.

Next season the publicity for the ice skating parties will begin a little earlier with, we hope, more organized leadership at the parties. The late start this year, switching locations, new activities, etc. seemed to have discouraged some of our members. It seems like we got set in our ways and did not like the changes we made at the beginning of this season. Next year things are going to be better, and we encourage and appreciate your support.

Until next September!

Peggy Adams, Co-Chairman

SKI TIPS

By Ed Williams
Certified PSIA & RMSIA

Since I have been fortunate enough to be on a couple of trips with the Club this year, I have discovered we have some fairly good skiers in the Club. There are several others that have the potential of becoming better skiers. To become better you need to learn what your particular problem is and how to correct it. It may be a minor thing that can be altered with correction and a little practice. It may be a major problem that will require more attention.

To determine your problem you need qualified instruction. A friend who skis a little better than you is not qualified. He is not trained to quickly spot the error and how to correct it. I recommend you have a private session with a Certified Instructor. If you are spending the money for a private session insist upon Certification recognized by the Professional Ski Instructors Association.

He will determine your problem and start you doing certain skiing exercises which in effect will try to retrain your bad habits and turn them into proper techniques. The important part comes after your lesson. If you go back to skiing your old way, because you feel more comfortable, you have wasted your money. Spend at least one or two more hours during the day practicing the exercises and concentrate on his suggestions.



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A woman's enthusiasm for skiing is inversely proportional to how good she looks in stretch pants.

—Poor Woman's Almanac

THINK SNOW And SUMMER FUN

NOTICE! A tentative date for the first Lafayette horseracing trip is JUNE 12th and 13th. Members and guest interested please sign up at the May meeting and bring your money (approximately \$20.00).

Horsing Around

2 Gene F. Glessner Jacksonville, Florida GARNER'S 2 BAR Ch.c.4 Diamond 2 Bar-Labert
3 C. T. Fuller Catasauqua, Pennsylvania CALA ROCKET S.c.3 Rocket F -Betty Dool
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5 La -Denotes Louisiana Bred. PROGRAM SELECTIONS 3-6-4

4 Patricia Houston, TELLIKE Ch.m.5 Kinglike-1
5 Howard Romero Kaplan, La. DIAMOND Ch.g.7

3 SHELL Blk.m.5
4 J. Tim McDa GOF Gr.c.3



10 RUDDY Cold Rain-Iris Dan Dettwille (La.)
ATCHAFALAYA Billy D. King El Dorado Ark. J. Y. Soileau (La.) *102
QUEEN OF TARTARS King of Tartars-Bro's Baby Belton Sonnier (La.) *110
SELECTIONS 3-6-1
CHIEF Apache Squaw Thomas Wimberly 110
DAVID COPLING 107

2 RACE SECOND HALF DAILY DOUBLE PURSE \$1,500. Thoroughbred C and Upward.



10 B J'S LADY (Ray J. Morgan) Stable Guardisco City, La. B.g.3 He's A Pistol- Edier Moore Abbeville, La. Ch.f.3 Irwin- Gilbe- Bato IRWIN'S SKI
11 SHERIFF PETE
12 JOE S. Dk.B.orBr. PROGRAM



4 Fleet F. Magee Texarkana, A. IDLE CITY Ch.m.7 Idle Memor. Sam Westbury Tyler, Tex. ROVIN

7 KING O' THE Ch.c.2 Break The Mar. John N. John Crowley, La. 8/5

NO-SNOW PREAKNESS

SPACE CITY SKI CLUB SWEEPSTAKES



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Paul E. Pahn
U. S. SKI TEAM FUND COMMITTEE

Dated *February 1971*

April 30, 1971

TO ALL SPACE CITY SKI CLUB MEMBERS:

This questionnaire will give the club officers a better idea of the type of activities you prefer for our next season. Please take the time to give this your careful thought and prompt attention. Remember, the Space City Ski Club is your club--so let the 1971-72 officers know what you want.

Please return by May 17, 1971 to: Space City Ski Club
P.O. Box 22567
Houston, Texas 77027
Attn: Vice President - Trips

1. If you made one of these trips, please mark your opinion (all factors considered). Don't let weather conditions or other minor problems influence your overall comment.

TRIP	Great	Good	So-So	Forget It
a. Georgetown (Thanksgiving)	_____	_____	_____	_____
b. Aspen (Christmas)	_____	_____	_____	_____
c. Crested Butte	_____	_____	_____	_____
d. Aspen (February)	_____	_____	_____	_____
e. Europe (Innsbruck)	_____	_____	_____	_____
f. Lake Tahoe	_____	_____	_____	_____
g. Park City, Utah	_____	_____	_____	_____
h. Vail (Easter)	_____	_____	_____	_____

2. Please rank the following in the order (1-7, 7 is highest) which you consider most significant on any ski trip you make.

- _____ a. Excellent skiing (dependable snow, varied trails)
- _____ b. Club parties (cocktail, wine and cheese)
- _____ c. Night life (restaurant, bars, music)
- _____ d. Quality of accomodations
- _____ e. Proximity of lodging to ski slope
- _____ f. Proximity of lodging to night life
- _____ g. Short bus trip

3. What size trip do you like best? (Check one)

- _____ a. Less than 40 people
- _____ b. 40 to 70 people
- _____ c. 71 or more people
- _____ d. No preference

4. Which do you prefer? (Check one)

- _____ a. shorter trips (approx. 4 days) at approx. \$160.00
- _____ b. longer trips (approx. 7 days) at approx. \$225.00

5. If you could save money in the long run, are you interested in having meals or lift tickets included? (Answer YES or NO)

- _____ a. having meals included
- _____ b. having lift tickets included

6. Are you interested in dormatory type accomodations in order to reduce the cost?

- _____ YES
- _____ NO

7. Would you tolerate longer lift lines on a holiday trip in order to have the night life of the major areas?

- _____ YES
- _____ NO

8. Are you interested in a bus trip to New Mexico at lower cost but involving 15 to 18 hrs. on a bus?

- _____ YES
- _____ NO

9. How many trips with the club do you plan to take for the 1971-72 season?

- _____ One
- _____ Two
- _____ Three
- _____ Four
- _____ More than four

10. What ski areas interest you the next year? (Please do not mark more than the total number of trips you would plan to take with the club). Prices listed are approximate.

- _____ a. Vail (holiday) \$160 4 days
- _____ b. Vail (non-holiday) \$200 7 days
- _____ c. Aspen (Christmas) \$220 7 days
- _____ d. Aspen (February) \$200 7 days
- _____ e. Lake Tahoe \$300 7 days
- _____ f. Europe \$450 10 days
- _____ g. Crested Butte \$155 4 days
- _____ h. Park City, Utah \$260 4 days
- _____ i. Steamboat Springs \$160 4 days
- _____ j. Winter Park \$150 4 days
- _____ k. Taos \$150 4 days

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10. Continued

- l. Georgetown (skiing Arapáho, Loveland, et. al.) \$165 4 days
- m. Jackson Hole \$300 7 days
- n. Other _____

11. How many ski trips have you participated in? (ski club or otherwise) Check one.

- one four six or more
- two
- three five

12. What is your opinion of the summer activities? (non-ski)

- a. Have more of them
- b. o.k. as is
- c. forget 'em

13. What is your opinion of the non-ski trips?

	<u>Great</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>So-So</u>	<u>Forget It</u>
a. Wurstfest	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
b. Horse-racing (Lafayette)	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
c. New Orleans jazz festival	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

14. If you are considering taking part in a European Ski Trip next year, please answer the following questions.

a. What length trip would you prefer? (Check one)

- (1) 7 days (missing 5 days work)
- (2) 9 days (missing 6 days work)
- (3) 11 days (missing 7 days work)
- (4) 2 wks. (missing 10 days work)

b. On a European trip would you.....(check one)

- (1) ski only
- (2) ski some, tour some
- (3) tour only

c. Would you prefer to stay at: (check one)

- (1) a smaller ski resort, located at the slopes
- (2) a larger city offering a central location and more than just skiing
- (3) no preference

d. Which area would you prefer?

- (1) French Alps
- (2) Swiss Alps
- (3) Austria
- (4) no preference

e. Would you require the trip to be on a holiday (Christmas)?

- YES
- NOT NECESSARILY

f. Please rank the following in their order of importance to you in deciding whether to go on a European trip or not.

- (1) area visited
- (2) length of stay
- (3) quality of accomodations
- (4) price
- (5) options offered (for example, side trips)

g. Please give us your comments on a European trip.

15. What improvements would you like to see in Space City Ski Club? (Please attach an additional sheet if necessary).

SIGNED: _____

(optional)



RENEWAL STATEMENT

P. O. BOX 22567, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77027

1971-72 Membership Dues.....

Check one:

 Single \$10.00
 Married Couple \$15.00

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Make checks payable to Space City Ski Club
Please disregard if you have already renewed.

Please complete the following and mail to:

Joyce Testa
Vice President - Membership
2408 Yorktown #240
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