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## LAKE TAHOE TRIP

March 7 - March 14

### Trip Chairman:

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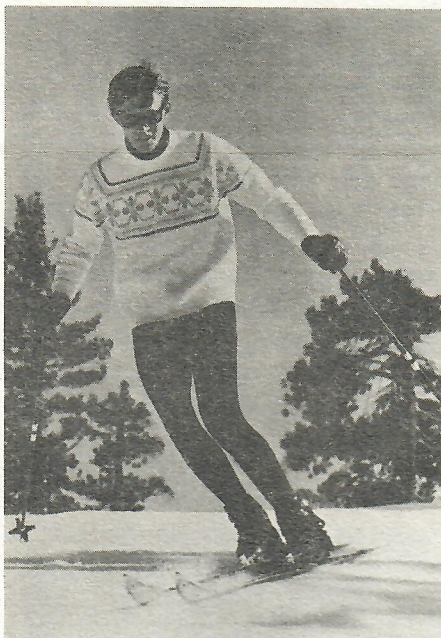
GOOD NEWS!! Because of the strong interest in the Lake Tahoe trip, special arrangements are being made to allow 20 more skiers on the trip !!! If you are interested, there's a good chance you can still get on the trip.

A Pre - Trip Party will be held in February. Details will be announced at the February 9th meeting.

Those going on the trip will be skiing to their heart's delight at world famous Squaw Valley, Heavenly Valley, Alpine Meadows, and Ski Incline. Then it will be gambling all night in the casino!!

The ski package includes transportation, lodging at the Sahara Tahoe Hotel, ski lift tickets, buses to the slopes, one free beer party, a free Alpine buffet dinner, about \$15. -20 worth of coupons which can be used on the gambling tables, wine and cheese parties on the slopes, and a glass of gluhwein each night.

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### Regular Monthly Meeting

MONDAY

February 9, 1970

LOOK'S SIR-LOIN INN

"CROWN ROOM"

(Corner of the South Loop West and South Main)

Gentlemen are requested to wear coats.

### USE OF SCSC ROSTER

Recently, a number of Club members received a mailing from the Houston Fun Club. SCSC has no connection with this organization and this mailing was not authorized. The SCSC Roster - 1970 - '71 will be mailed out soon. Club members are reminded that this Roster is intended for your personal use.

## NOMINATING COMMITTEE NAMED BY SCSC BOARD

The Nominating Committee has been appointed by the Board to help select your officers for the 1970 - '71 season.

Jay Castille (office: 524-4041, res.: 664-3303) has been named chairman. Committee members are

- Winton Adams (res. 468-0132)
- Judy Hoagland (res. 668-5534)
- Don Holloway (res. 782-9865)
- Joan Whitten (res. 667-0769)

If you are willing to offer your name for any of the seven offices to be filled -- President, First V. P. ( Programs ), Second V. P. (Trips), Third V. P. (Membership), Secretary, Treasurer, and Public Relations Director -- or would like to recommend a friend, who you think would be qualified and willing to serve, please contact any of the above committee members.

The committee will present their slate at the March meeting (on the third Tuesday in March). At that time further nominations may be made from the floor.

The elections of officers will be held at the April meeting. No further nominations will be taken from the floor at that meeting. Please refer to the ByLaws in the back of your Roster for the duties and the responsibilities of each office.



## FROM THE HEAD OF THE LIFT LINE...

Skiers everywhere will now be able to voice their opinions to a newly formed group -- THE NATIONAL SKIERS ACTION BOARD. SCSC will represent the Southwest on this consumer oriented panel, which is composed of leading skiers, ski club officials, and USSA members from all over the United States. This Board will be a vehicle for two - way communication between the skiing public and the ski industry, and will make specific recommendations and proposals to various segments of th industry based on the skiers' needs and desires.

NSAB held its first meeting recently and covered a wide variety of subjects including ticketing practices and problems, improved communications and travel, better reservations systems, improved safety standards, and more functional equipment and apparel. Aspen Highlands, which has offered its facilities as a test ski area, has agreed to implement during the current ski season the following concepts recommended by the Board:

1) An optional coupon book system of ticketing in addition to the daily lift pass. Varying numbers of coupons required at each lift. Ideal for beginners who generally use only base area lifts.

2.) An A.M. lift ticket for those leaving for home at mid-day or who want to spend the afternoon shopping, etc.

3.) Require runaway straps on all skis.

4.) A system of cutting the corners of lift tickets for unsafe practices to discourage reckless skiers. A second cut means lifting a skiers ticket.

5.) Install blow-ups of ski maps at the top of every lift to help orient the skier.

6.) Prominently display lift times along with lengths and vertical rise at the base of each major lift.

The Board also made several proposals directed specifically towards skier-oriented airline services. These include the installation of ski racks with locks for short term storage at major ski destination airports, furnishing of ski boot cartons by airlines, and airport reception and information centers for skiers.

NSAB will meet again this spring. So, SCSC members -- express your opinions! Send all correspondence and suggestions to: NATIONAL SKIERS ACTION BOARD, Box 3313, Aspen, Colorado 81611.

Ron Crossman  
SCSC President

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## SKI TIPS

by  
Ed Williams

(The author is a certified ski instructor in the RockyMt. Ski Instructor Assoc. and a former Senior Ski Instructor at Taos Valley.)



A big transition in the progression of ski instruction is moving from the stem turn level to the stem christie and parallel christie. The skier feels confident once he has reached the stem turn level. He can traverse across the hill, turn with a snow-plow turn and return to a traverse upon completion of the turn. We call this a steered turn. The skier goes into the fall line already in a controlled steered turn.

The Christie turns are often made out of the fall line. The skier must allow the tails of his skis to skid around in the turn. This is known as "heel thrust" in the American Technique. It is a misleading term, however, as the heels do not thrust. In the French Technique it is known as a "rounded side slip."

There is an exercise that helps a skier get the feel of the skidding of the skis. It is called the traverse-sideslip. Skiing across the hill in a traverse, release the edges with a slight up (or down) motion to unweight the skis. Allow the skis to flatten on the snow by letting the knees roll towards the fall line. The side slip is stopped by resetting the edges. This maneuver gives the skier the feel of the skis slipping, which is essential in parallel skiing.



LAKE TAHOE TRIP

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An optional side trip to Reno for some of the top entertainment and gambling is scheduled for one evening. A Charter bus will leave the hotel about 6:30 and return around 1 or 2 a.m.

RUIDOSO, NEW MEXICO TRIP

DC-3 Charter Aircraft

February 21, 22, 23, 1970

Dear SCSC Members,

I regret to announce the cancellation of this trip. Only twelve deposits were received by the January 20 deadline date for receipts. Since the aircraft could not be economically operated with 13 empty seats, I decided that the trip would have to be aborted.

This decision was not made until everyone who had expressed an interest in this trip was personally contacted by me. This cancellation is particularly unfortunate for the members of the club who are sincerely interested in reducing the cost of our group trips, because now it will be extremely difficult to attempt to organize economy trips in the future.

The fact must be recognized that any trip, whether for a week or weekend, first class or economy, requires advanced planning and financial commitments on the part of the trip chairman. Neither the club treasury nor the trip chairman is expected to assume these responsibilities if the would-be trip members are unwilling to make the financial commitments in their own behalf.

Sincerely,  
George English

ASPEN TRIP - Easter

March 27 - March 30

Trip Chairman:

Jerry Chiles - ( home:665-3667)

ASPEN AT EASTER!!

The Easter trip is going to Aspen! We will be staying at the all new Holiday Inn at Aspen, complete with two restaurants, two night clubs, a sauna bath and heated swimming pool. We'll leave after work Thursday, March 26 via commercial airlines for Colorado and return late Monday, March 30. This allows you four full days of skiing! There are just a few places left so mail your \$50. deposit to Jerry Chiles, 5331 Beverly Hill Lane, Apt. 37A, Houston, Texas 77027.

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PHOTO REVIEWTHANKSGIVING VAIL TRIPSANTA FE TRIPCHRISTMAS TO NEW YEARS

Would you believe snow in Santa Fe at Christmas? How about 4 to 6 inches of fresh snow on four of the five days that we were there? Well, that's what we had, and SCSC took advantage of it to initiate several new members to the sport of skiing, and the progress they made was gratifying. By the end of the week, several were making the run from the top of the chair lift, including Charlene Tumminello, who will probably think twice before skiing with Fred Martin again. Cynthia Cason learned a lot about skiing and a little about ski slopes on the way down from the top.

A great wine and cheese party was prepared by Charlene and Merle Adams with assistance from Ken Couvillion, one of our cajun skiers. Ken claims the title of national indoor soft-tortilla-frisbee champion after a post New Year's party meet. (Soft tortillas were part of our New Year's breakfast of chili, beans, hominy and spanish rice.

I don't have room to mention all the people on the trip, but Bob Stimits wins the toastmaster's award for his tales of East Texas; Bill Davidson, Kathy Curfman, Dick Cattelle and Anne Kinney win the packers award for loading their suitcases in 10 minutes flat after a skipped wake-up call on New Year's day. Hobby Abshier wins the gentleman skier award for being the best dressed off the slopes; Frank Reisenberg - best comin' down the mountain singer; Pat McLaughlan - the outstanding side trip to Sandia Peak planner; Don McAlvany - most determined skier; and on and on through a great bunch of skiers. Sorry, Lee - no best skier award for a trip like this.

OK, so now that all you beginners have learned to ski, have you signed up for Aspen, Tahoe or Aspen-at Easter? ?

FOR RENT

Skiers: Red River Resort Home just available! Sleeps 8- 10; fully equipped. \$40.00 a day. CONTACT: G. W. Green, c/o Sportsman's Lodge, PO Box 175, Red River, New Mexico 87558.





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Aquarians in skiing: Bob Beattie,  
Fred Iselin, Marilyn Cochran,  
Bill Lash, Jimmy Johnston. \* \*

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### February

Feb. 1 - 7 ASPEN TRIP  
Feb. 9 Monthly Meeting  
Feb. 12 Skating Party  
Feb. 26 Skating Party

#### March

March 7 - 14 LAKE TAHOE Trip  
March 12 Skating Party  
March 17\* Monthly Meeting  
March 26 Skating Party  
March 27 - 30

ASPEN - EASTER

#### \* NOTE: \*

The March Meeting will be held on the third Tuesday of March so that Lake Tahoe trip members may be present when the candidates for next year are presented, and nominations are made from the floor.

#### April

April 9 Skating Party  
April 13 Monthly Meeting  
April 23 Skating Party

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### MEMBERSHIP NOTES

The ministers and wedding bells were busy on December 20, 1969. Arnie Mach and Ann Godfrey walked down the aisle, as did Larry Judd and Carolyn Sweeney.

AND currently making plans for ministers and wedding bells are Bill Blythe and Charleen Cotton, who recently announced their engagement.

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### SNOW AND SKIING REPORTS

Snow and skiing reports as well as road conditions are broadcast by Radio Station KLYX (102 FM) at 6:55 am on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Reports cover the conditions in both New Mexico and Colorado. Tune In!

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### SKI HEADQUARTERS



... in the clothes hamper

Bogner	Meister	Gerry
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... from the ski rack

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... in the boot shop

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#### Rentals:

Skiis, Boots, Pole,  
Pants and Parkas

Charge accounts invited