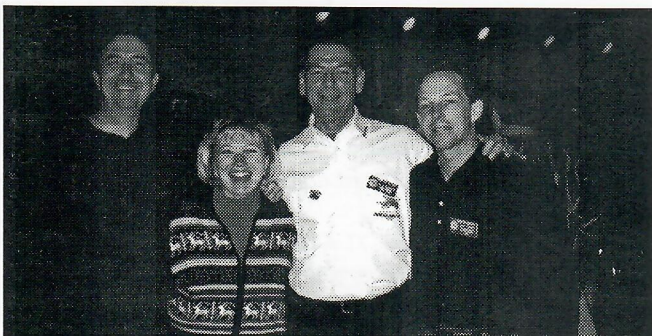




What a (short) TEXAS SKI WEEK it was! Our 40 skiers played hard leaving an indelible mark on the Aspen/Snowmass area, ranging from celebrity spotting to hot tub overflows.

Beautiful weather tempered the less than ideal snow conditions. On any given day you would find the group dispersed between Snowmass, Aspen, Aspen Highlands and Buttermilk. And what a surprise - expert skiers actually enjoying Buttermilk - it was the sleeper with the overall best conditions!



KJ Oldroyd insisted that Aspen was as easy as you'd ever find it, with no bumps.

This was a crowd of serious skiers. On the first day **Dorian Prater**, **Joan Henke**, **Helen Kealey**, **Lisa Levy**, **Julia Long**, **Denise Marks**, **Sandy Perry**, **Pam Taylor** and **Sandra Wimberly** all headed off for their "women-only" afternoon ski lesson. More than a few heads turned as this group practiced their turns. But talk of turning heads - **Denise Marks** easily won the best ski outfit awards.

Never-ever skiers **Tim Tilton** and **Jennifer Lyle** enrolled in ski school and proudly graduated from the bunny slopes into green territory and rookies **Adine Rotman**, **Sandy Perry** and **Lisa Levy** loved every

did their best to inspire the racers in a lost cause. Early results indicated our group got 12 medals - Wow - that was unbelievable (and also untrue)! The Texas Ski Council experienced a Y2K glitch - something about adding 100 years to everyone's age. Well, unfortunately or not, it was sorted

out, but you should have seen **Curt Frisby's** face fall when he was told his medal was a Y2K fluke! It just wasn't meant to be this year.

Alka Seltzer awards go to **Eric Tamm**, who relapsed from an earlier illness to miss all four days of skiing, and **Skip Lang**, who was

only able to ski 2 days. **Dorian Prater** also missed a day, although the cause was rumored to be B-52itis. **Barry Norman** ignored his doc's advice and skied hardily all week. **Jim Slaughter** extended his shoulder, but put on such a brave face while dancing the evening away that even the ladies weren't able to offer any sympathy. So, luck was with us and injuries didn't keep anyone off the slopes (or in their rooms)!

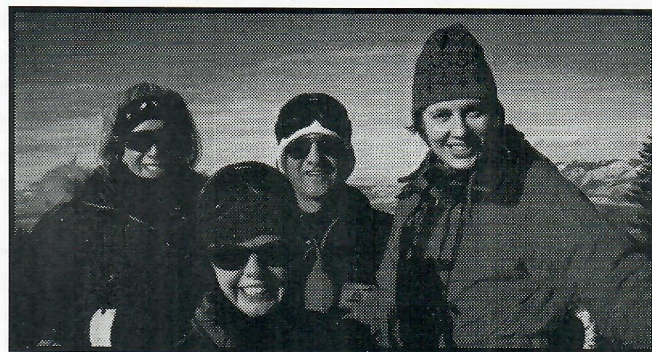
Barbara Goist and **Curt Marsolek** made fast friends with **Lynette Russo** during the

(frightening) minute of their ventures into new blue territory. Our Snowboarders, **Scott** and **Elizabeth Philbrook** weren't able to convince anyone to just give the boards a try, but that didn't dull their spirits.

Race directors **Peter Coulter** and **KJ Oldroyd**

trip, and **Kathleen Hannaman** flew in from Miami to renew friendships with **Pam Taylor** and **Sharon** and **Gary Sequeira**. **Lynda Patton** joined us from Memphis only to find her hometown skiing buddy in the same hotel.

Serious skiers - serious partiers! Snowmass III showed true apres ski mettle at Wildwood Lodge's hot tub - at one point we had 22 people in a hot tub built for 8. **Bill Prater** was a regular - right next to the ice chest.

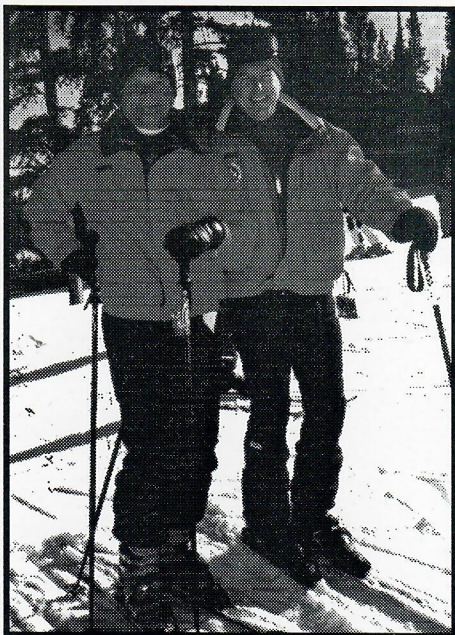


Jim McLaughlin needed no encouragement to start (and end) every party. **Helen Kealey** charmed a pair of brothers from Chicago at Shooters on our C & W night out. **Jerry Jackson** looked right at home in Shooters with hat, boots and long neck. Bob "twinkle toes" Cloutier, took his two-steppin' seriously and brought along his dancing shoes. **Barry Palmer**, **Glen Nordt**, **Greg Baxter**, **Fritz Kronberger**, **Skip Lang**, and **Barry Norman** took in the magic show and insisted the guy was really good. We're sure **Al Klimas** was with us - we just couldn't find him day or night.



Aspen wouldn't live up to its reputation without the celebrities. **Fritz Kronberger**

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and Curt Frisby rubbed elbows with Jerry Jones at Little Nells. And while a whole group of people saw Michael Jordan and his entourage not only at "the Nell", but also around town, **Sandra Wimberly** and **Lisa Levy** actually got to speak with "His Airness", who remarked to them the team in Houston

was pretty bad. Sandra was heard to remark "He's not that tall!"

The week's finale was a torchlight parade on Aspen Mountain, followed by an incredible fireworks display and Little Nells was the place to see it! **Fritz Kronberger** and **Curt Frisby** valiantly agreed to hold tables to ensure their group the prime spot for viewing. They were joined by **Sandra Wimberly**, **Lisa Levy**, **Helen Kealey**, **Denise Marks**, **Jim Slaughter** and sidekick, **Stuart Traver**. **Bob Fulweiler**, who has attained "almost local" status, also led a group including **Linda Cooper**, **Sandy Fowler** and **Jennifer Lyle**. After the fireworks, nobody wanted the evening to end – everybody was out in the town of Aspen that night!

Veteran skiers **Jerry Jackson**, **Lynda Patton**, **Bill & Dorian Prater** and **Scott & Elizabeth Philbrook** and **Fritz Kronberger** were first-timers with SCSC and all promised to ski again with us. The catchphrase for Snowmass III had to be ENJOY.