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Details inside!



Join (no fee) and get the latest information on our social events. Questions should be directed to Pam Kaercher at 777-4208.





REMINDER: RENEW YOUR ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP Download an application at www.spacecoastskiclub.com

JOIN THE CLUB'S EMAIL GROUP:

Send email to:

SpaceCoastSkiClub-subscribe@vahoogroups.com

a Great event for ski club members and non-members!



The club will see WICKED, <u>Sunday, March 27th, 2pm</u>. Group rate tickets are <u>\$75 each</u>. Seats are center balcony or orchestra rows T-Z.

NO SCSC Membership required.

More than 30 people responded and are going to the show. There are WICKED tickets still available but you must act soon.

WICKED, crowned the '**Best Musical of the Decade**' is performing at the **<u>Bob Carr in Orlando</u>**. This show is about what happen <u>before</u> Dorothy dropped into OZ. It is the untold story of Glinda and Elphaba, (the wicked witch of the west). WICKED will entertain you from the very first minute and will surprise you in the end.

If you want to see WICKED, check your calendar and respond immediately. <u>Tickets are non-refundable so I must receive your check for tickets be-</u><u>fore they will be purchased by the club</u>. In a few tock-ticks, the show will be sold out. WICKED will surely be a WICKED good time!

> For information or tickets, please contact: Carla Constantino at 321-255-7708

Taos, New Mexico January 8-15, 2011



Linda and Bruce Alper joined us in Taos and even with just us four, we had plenty of fun. The Capitol Ski Club from Washington DC was at the Snakedance so we got to meet snow enthusiasts from a club outside Florida – they are a crazy bunch! Bruce and Linda took the renowned 'Ski Better Week' and both improved their skills on the slopes. Bruce especially was enlightened with the finesse of bump skiing. Kevin's ski instructor told him they were going to hike the ridge, something he had never done. Kevin was more concerned about the 'extreme' skiing than the trek to get there. As it turns out, he saw new vistas and survived the hike and skiing just fine.

As for me, I ventured into snowboard lessons for the first time ever. Taos Snowboard School proved to be a step above other mountain ski/board lessons. All I heard from everyone is how much I would be falling and hurting while trying to learn this young person's sport! The instructor's goal was to keep me from falling so I would <u>not</u> be too hurt, sore, or worn out to continue.



We were victorious! I fell twice all week! I had my own personal instructor doing what I call the 'Snowboard Waltz' until he would let go of one hand and then finally, a solo pass. It took all week but on the last day, I went down the bunny hill all by myself,

slowly and cautiously but feeling like I might be able to do this someday. Taos made it possible for this midfifties age girl to learn how to snowboard. I call that success. And I'll be trying again because as every Snowboarder knows who has ever worn ski boots, the boarding footwear is positively delightful!



The four of us (Bruce, Linda, Kevin and myself) ended the week with a great dinner in the Hondo Restaurant prepared by Shane (the Chef). Joining us were Roger and Diane Mariani (Managers at Snakedance), Sydna (Group Sales Coordinator and Shane's wife), Kelly (Manager of Bumps), Chris Stagg (Taos Marketing Rep) and numerous bottles of fine wine like only Snakedance & Taos can do....perfect!!!

Here is hoping SNOW is in your near future,

Carla Constantino & Kevin Simmons

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Breckenridge, Colorado, Florida Ski Council January 22 – 29, 2011 - Saturday through Saturday

* GONE SKIING ! *

Located just two hours from Denver airport in the Colorado 10-mile range, Breckenridge unites the history of the west with the best skiing and snowboarding around. From the 1800's, when the Gold Rush era and railroads chugged through the town, until today, Breck rests comfortably between rich Victorian heritage, with over 100 restaurants, pubs, live entertainment, retail shops, and art galleries throughout.

Breckenridge offers four interconnected mountains with super fast access to an incredible variety of terrain. Breckenridge has more than 140 runs. Peak 7 features seven intermediate cruisers with the speed of the 6-passenger Independence Super Chair or ride Peak 8 Super Connect, which will get you from peak 9 to peak 8; and you'll be on the slopes before you know it.

With 16 chair lifts; a summit elevation of 12,998; 2,208 acres and almost 4,000 vertical feet of skiing; along with 600 Florida Ski Council skiers and activities; it's the total package.

Space Coast Ski Club accommodations will be right in the heart of Breckenridge's Victorian center, a ski-in ski-out resort using the Quicksilver Super 6 chair. The Village at Breckenridge has restaurants, a health club, indoor/outdoor pool, and indoor/outdoor hot tubs. Equipment rentals, ski storage, free transportation on the town trolley are all on site. Visit <u>http://breckresorts.com/</u> <u>villageatbreckenridge/</u> for more hotel information.

Price:	\$1,290 per person hotel room, double occupancy
	\$1,315 per person studio apartment, double occupancy
	\$1,250 per person 2-bedroom condo, quad occupancy
Price Includes:	
	Round Trip Air, Orlando to Denver nonstop
	Round Trip Ground Transportation
	7-nights Accommodations at the Village at Breckenridge
	FSC Get Acquainted Party
	FSC Mountain Lunch
	FSC NASTAR Races
	FSC Farewell Party
	FSC Discount Lift Tickets and Rentals
	Taxes and Tips
	Hotel Baggage Handling
Lift Tickets:	5 of 7 days: \$245
Ski Rentals:	Sport Package: \$25 per day
Payment:	\$300 per person with trip application
	Balance due: November 8, 2010
Mail checks (made	e payable to the Space Coast Ski Club) and application to:
	Lloyd Lewis: <u>skilloyd@cfl.rr.com</u>
	675 Azalea Ave., Merritt Island, FL 32952
	(321) 452-6237 (work); (321) 452-3936 (home)
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Cancellation Policy: Before November 1, 2010, refund will be given minus \$100. After November 1, 2010, refund will be given only if space can be resold, minus any airline or accommodation penalties, minus \$100.

Winter Park, Colorado February 5 - 12, 2011

* GONE SKIING! *



I would expect by the time you are reading this, our group of 53 happy people will be having a great time in Winter Park. So far the resort is having a great winter season with another 2 feet of fresh snow falling during the week of January 17-24. The season total is over 171 inches of fresh snow so far!

Trip co-leader Jeannie Staubus hosted our

pre-trip party at her home. It was a small gathering but with big excitement of the upcoming trip. Our social events are all planned out with a welcome reception on the 2nd level of Doc's Roadhouse, dinner and drinks (and surprise birthday party) at the Cheeky Monk Belgian Beer Café on Tuesday, and a week ending 5-course dinner 2 miles high at the top of the gondola at The Lodge at Sunspot. Be sure to look for our trip write-up in the next newsletter.

Wishing everyone a wonderful winter season, Brice Crossley and Jeannie Staubus





Whitefish, Montana HUGE PRICE DROP BOOK YOUR OWN AIRFARE AND SAVE \$250!!! Florida Ski Council, February 12- 19, 2011

With individual airfare running around \$500, the total cost of joining the Space Coast Ski Club in Whitefish Montana is only \$1250. Contact Trip Leader Danny Molina (321-536-7149) for details on how to take advantage of lower airfares.

For the February 2011 Florida Ski Council Trip, the FSC has selected Whitefish, Montana. Located in Northern Montana just 30 minutes from the Glacier National Park, Whitefish is a real Montana town, complete with multi-generation local families and a friendly, small-town vibe that also boasts world-class restaurants, vibrant night-life, eclectic shopping, two separate local theater companies and more. The Whitefish Mountain Resort receives an average snowfall of 300 inches and is served by 13 lifts and chairs including three high-speed quad lifts. Whitefish's skiing terrain consists of 15% beginner, 35% intermediate, 40% advanced and 10% expert, which spans over 3000 acres, with 94 marked trails including vast amounts of bowl and tree skiing.

The Space Coast Ski Club will be staying at The Lodge at Whitefish Lake in the newly completed Viking Lodge. The Lodge at Whitefish Lake is located a short walk from downtown Whitefish and ten minutes from the ski slopes of the Whitefish Mountain Resort. The Lodge at Whitefish Lake offers deluxe hotel rooms with Lodge Suites and Studio units available. Come join your Space Coast Ski Club friends as we explore what the Town of Whitefish and The Whitefish Mountain Resort has to offer us.

PRICE: \$730 per person (Double Occupancy)

PRICE INCLUDES:

- Transfers while in Whitefish
- 7-Nights Lodging at The Lodge at Whitefish Lake
- FSC Welcome Party
- Whitefish Mountain Lunch
- FSC Costume Party
- Daily Hot Breakfast
- Pre-Trip Party
- Some Happy Hours while in Whitefish

LIFT TICKETS:	3 of 7 Day: \$132
	4 of 7 Day: \$176
	5 of 7 Day: \$220
	6 of 7 Day: \$264

Payment Schedule: \$300 with trip application - Final Balance due by December 1, 2010

Send Deposits (made payable to the Space Coast Ski Club) and Trip Applications to Trip Leader:

Danny Molina 5120 Mallard Lakes Court Merritt Island, FL 32953 321-536-7149 runtnvern@cfl.rr.com Champagne powder is waiting for the 26 trippers from our club to arrive. Check out the event calendar, scroll to February and put as many of these activities on your agenda for the week of February 19th to the 26th as you feel compelled to try <u>http://www.snowbird.com/events/eventcalendar.php</u>.

Snowbird Ski and Summer Resort has received ONE OF THE BEST PRE-SEASON SNOW COVERAGES IN YEARS and continues to be blanketed on a regular basis. Another great link to visit is <u>http://www.snowbird.com/events/winteractivities.html</u>. If you want to more than ski, this is where you'll be able to find a myriad of activities to keep you involved all week long.

Snowbird trippers are getting detailed information for the trip, including renting ski equipment. It will be possible to ski on the day we arrive which is soooo cool!! Check out the night skiing on Saturday, Wednesday, and Friday! <u>http://www.snowbird.com/</u>events/winteractivities/nightskiing.html.

Our pre-trip party to meet and greet fellow trippers is February 5^{th} at your trip leader's residence; details were e-mailed to all of you. If you did not receive this e-mail invitation, please call me to update your contact information at 321-626-3909.

The trip is now officially closed and we are in count-down mode. Snowbird, **HERE WE COME !!!**

If you have questions, please contact Vicki Bristol:

E-mail me: vicki_bristol@msn.com or call 321-626-3909

Snowbird Stats and Facts:

Over 2,500 acres Skiable Vertical: 3,240 feet Base elevation: 7,760 feet Summit elevation: 11,000 feet Annual Average Snowfall: 500+ inches – Yes, that's over 41 Feet!!!

Trail Breakdown

Lifts: 1 Tram - 125 person 4 quads, 6 doubles Longest Run: 2.5 miles Trail Classification:

- 27% Beginner
- 38% Intermediate
- 35% Expert/Advanced







Mediterranean Cruise October 4-16, 2011

2011- New Year, New Adventures! The ports of call included in this cruise are some of the most popular, must-see destinations in Europe. The variety of 'OMG' places we will see begins in Barcelona. Two nights' stay with a city tour, plus time to explore on your own. Once we board the ship, our first stop is Monaco, home to the rich and famous of France. Our next stop is Livorno, where you can see for yourself the Leaning Tower of Pisa. *This is only the beginning!* Five more ports await you including Rome, Naples, Sicily and MORE. We have space for 10 more fun travelers to join us. Call us and reserve your space before we are sold out.

Seven ports of call spanning Italy, Spain, and France will be visited. Carnival Magic will be the *newest ship on the planet* giving you a brand new cruise experience. Carnival Magic will have the latest design and technology known, offering a huge WOW factor.

The 11-night trip price is **\$2680 per person** (inside cabin). This **includes** pre- and post-trip party... **includes** airfare from Orlando or Melbourne to Barcelona... **includes** 2 nights in Barcelona...**includes** city tour...**includes** all transfers...**includes** taxes and fuel surcharges...**includes** port charges, **includes** the 9-night cruise which **includes** all meals and ship activities! What a deal...sign up now and be **included** with the fun bunch who are **'On Board'** for this thrilling trip!

We are looking for a single female room-mate....call Clair

The link for more info and details is: http://spacecoastskiclub.com/2011Cruise.htm

Off Board Ship Coordinators:

Clair Quenzler, (321) 632-1715, <u>clairqski@aol.com</u> 104 Riverside Drive, #401, Cocoa, FL 32922 and Carla Constantino, (321) 255-7708, <u>calico@me.com</u> 4173 Deerwood Trail, Melbourne, FL 32934

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Mediterranean Cruise - Places we'll see!

Barcelona





Leaning Tower of Pisa





Space Coast Ski Club

* 2011 TRIPS *

Taos, New Mexico Breckenridge, Colorado Winter Park, Colorado Whitefish, Montana Snowbird, Utah

Doral Spa Mediterranean Cruise January 8-15, 2011 January 22-29, 2011 February 5-12,2011 February 12-19, 2011 February 19-26, 2011

July 14-17, 2011 October 4-16, 2011

