## THE GREAT **SCHUSS**

## **LEXINGTON SKI & SPORTS CLUB/DECEMBER, 2015**

#### **Member Meeting**

**December 1, 2015** 

At

#### **J&H Lanmark Store**

J & H is a locally owned specialty outdoor and backpacking store.

LSSC members will receive a 10% discount on purchases made during the meeting!!

189 Moore Dr. Lexington, KY



The meeting starts at 6:30 p.m.

### **DECEMBER** BIRTHDAYS

BRANDON JOHN 10-DEC GARNETT RON 10-DEC LISLE CHARLES 15 -DEC MILLER MARK 21-DEC GEIGER ROBIN 24-DEC DAVIS MARIANNA 29-DEC



#### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!**



## **Christmas Party**

December 12, 2015

Time: 7pm

Please bring finger food to share. BYOB.

#### Optional White Elephant Gift Exchange

There will be a "White Elephant" gift exchange for those who wish to participate. Bring a wrapped gift item (items can vary from a gag gift to that knick-knack you have wanted to send on its way) for a fun exchange. Remember: *One man's junk is another man's treasure!* 

**Location: Linda Gorman's House** 

419 Westerfield Way, Lexington

(859) 275-1260

## **2015-16 SKI RACING!!**

## RACING SEASON IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER!

If you want to race or ever thought about racing, now is the time to join the LSSC Race Team!

We will begin in January and race most weekends until the beginning of March. You do not have to be there every weekend, but you do need to be on the roster.

Venues are: Perfect North Slopes
Paoli Peaks
Mad River Mountain
Timberline West Virginia

You could even qualify for the NASTAR
NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP
in Colorado in March!

Contact Dianna (Lady Di) Miller <a href="magski@aol.com">hagski@aol.com</a>
859-749-2651 (text accepted)





HAVING A BLAST!

#### **SEE YOU IN THE GATES!!!**

#### **2016 Tentative Race Schedule**

Perfect North race times, Saturday ???, Sunday ??? Paoli Peaks race times, Saturday 10:00AM, Sunday 9:30AM All Mad River races start at ????, Snow Trails 9AM Race times are tentative. Check in lodge upon arrival.

<u>Date</u>	Location/Format	Host Club	<u>Lift Ticket</u>
January 2 January 3	Mad River, OH - Mad River, OH –	Columbus	Pending
January 9 January 10	Snow Trails, OH Snow Trails, OH		
January 17 January 18	MLK weekend No OVSC raci	ing	
January 23 January 24	Paoli Peaks IN - two GS Paoli Peaks IN - two GS		
January 30 January 31	Mad River, OH – <b>MR OPE</b> Mad River, OH – <b>MR OPE</b> Figure 11, GS		
February 6 February 7	No racing Perfect North Slopes, IN – All 4 race formats, 1 run		
February 13 February 14	Snow Trails, OH Snow Trails, OH		
February 20 February 21	Paoli Peaks IN - two GS Paoli Peaks IN - two GS		
February 27 February 28	•	•	Cincinnati orial Race
March 8-6	West Virginia Governors Cup	o Race	

#### West Virginia Governors Cup Race

#### Race formats (GS, SL, etc.) are subject to conditions and course availability

Lodging

**Mad River** 

Pending

<u>Paoli</u>

Pending

**Snow Trails** 

Pending

**Perfect North** 

Pending

## 2015-16 SKI SEASON!!



The OVSC and LSSC trips have been selected and trip sign-ups have begun. There are still openings for some of the trips. Individual trip descriptions follow. The initial \$100 trip deposit may be made on line at the LSSC website (<a href="http://www.lexskisports.org/trips">http://www.lexskisports.org/trips</a>) as well as by check at member meetings or sent by mail. However, all remaining payments *must* be paid by check at member meetings or sent by mail.

## **Whitefish Montana**

**January 16 – 23, 2016** 

Skiing



We are joining the OVSC trip to Whitefish Montana to ski at Whitefish Mountain Resort. It is one of the largest ski areas in the nation. Famous for snow laden trees called snow ghosts, the 3,000 acres of groomers, glades, bowls and steeps are covered in 300-inches of powder annually. The ski resort is consistently ranked one of the top resorts in the nation. Just this winter Whitefish was named number 11 overall by SKI Magazine readers in this year's annual Resort Guide, the best ranking ever for the Montana ski resort.



# Whitefish Mountain Resort Statistics:

- \* 300 inches of annual snowfall
- \* 3000 acres open
- \* Top Elevation 6817 feet, base 4464 feet
- \* 6.0% expert, 43.0% advanced, 38.0% intermediate, 13.0% beginner

Beyond world-class skiing, other winter adventures beckon with options of Glacier National Park tours, dog sledding, sleigh rides, cross-country skiing, ice skating, and snowshoeing. Plus, the shops and dining downtown along the covered Central Avenue —complete with theater, art galleries and live music — offer guests surprising sophistication in this genuine mountain town on the edge of vast wilderness.

## Lodging Information:

#### **Morning Eagle**

We will be staying at Morning Eagle Lodge, located in the heart of Whitefish Mountain Village; it is Ski In – Ski Out and just steps away from all the shops and services. Built with Classic Montana ranch and National Park Lodge architecture, the common areas include a two-story lobby with large stone fireplace /lounge area. Guests will have use of a heated, secure underground parking garage and ski locker. Amenities include Roof Top Hot Tub, Fitness Facilities and some units with a Fireplace, washer and dryer.

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## **Trip Cost:** \$1699.00

*Roundtrip airfare
Cincinnati to Kalispell
Airport-see flight
information below
*Roundtrip group ground transfers Kalispell Airport to Whitefish lodging (about 2 ½ hours)

out \*7 nights lodging at

Morning Eagle Condominiums-see rates and descriptions below

\*5 day Adult Group lift pass

\*All OVSC trip activities including welcome reception, race and onmountain lunch, final dinner and OVSC fees

\*Baggage handling and all current taxes/resort fees.

## Payment Schedule:

Click here to pay your deposit: http://www.lexskisports.org/trips

August	\$100.00		
September	\$400.00		
October	\$400.00		
November	\$400.00		
December	\$399.00		

Amount now due at signing: \$500.00

#### **CONTACT:**

Dianna (Lady Di) Miller

hagski@aol.com (859) 749-2651

#### Ground Only: \$959.00

September	239.75
October	239.75
November	239.75
December	239.75

<sup>\*\*</sup>Ground transfers from airport can be arranged with the group for \$30.00 but you need to provide flight information to book.

## Flight Information:

**January 16, 2016** 

**Cincinnati to Salt Lake Delta #1741** 8:40A - 10:21A Salt Lake to Kalispell Delta #4522 11:10A - 12:57P

**January 23, 2016** 

Kalispell to Minneapolis Delta#4502 2:25P - 6:03PMinneapolis to Cincinnati Delta#4579 7:20P - 10:16P



Feb. 6 - Feb. 13, 2016

Join your LSSC friends on this trip to Aspen/Snowmass, where four different ski areas are available for our enjoyment: Aspen Mountain, Aspen Highlands, Buttermilk, and Snowmass. We will be staying in the Tamarack Townhouses in Snowmass Village with convenient free shuttle service to the other areas.

Types of Trails	Aspen Mountain	Snowmass	Aspen Highlands	Buttermilk
Easy	0%	6%	18%	35%
More Difficult	48%	47%	30%	39%
Most Difficult	26%	17%	16%	26%
Expert ◆◆	26%	30%	36%	0%

Total Cost: \$1,569.00

#### Payment Schedule

Aug - \$100.00

Sep - \$400.00

Oct - \$400.00

Nov - \$400.00

Dec - \$269.00

#### **Package includes:**

- Airfare between Louisville and Denver
  - United Airlines
  - Non-stop flights (no connection in Chicago!)
- Lodging in Snowmass at Tamarack Townhouses
  - 2 Bedroom/2 Bath units, 4 per unit
- 5 day lift ticket
- Ground transportation from Denver to Snowmass

#### **About Tamarack Townhouses:**

Located at the base of Fanny Hill on the Village Shuttle line and adjacent to the new Base Village, Village Express high-speed lift, and Kids' Adventure Treehouse, Tamarack Townhouses provide us with one of the best values among Aspen-Snowmass vacation rentals. These two-story townhomes feature an open kitchen and living room area with gas fireplace, spacious master suite with fireplace, large deck and private ground floor entrance. Amenities include:

- Year-round heated swimming pool
- Two-level year-round outdoor hot tub with waterfall
- Private ski lockers
- Free Wireless Internet



Alyeska/Anchorage, Alaska February 27 – March 5, 2016 Trip Cost (ground only): \$1,149

The LSSC is going to Alaska!!! We will be first be spending 5 nights at Alyeska Resort and will be skiing 4 days. We then will move to Anchorage, Alaska for 2 nights, where we will be present for the start of the Iditarod dog sled race.

#### Alyeska Skiing



Alyeska offers mountain experiences for skiers and riders at all levels.

- Tree-lined groomed runs are ideal for the beginner.
- Intermediate and advanced skiers love the wide open bowls and long top-to-bottom runs.
- Mt. Alyeska is "steep and deep". Experts love the North Face, featuring North America's longest continuous double black run.
- Freestylers can check out the features at either terrain park.

#### Hotel Alyeska Resort (Feb. 27 - March 3)



Hotel Alyeska is the only AAA Four Diamond rated resort in Alaska as well as being ski-in/ski-out. Conveniently located at the hotel, you will find restaurants and lounges, a fitness center, rental and repair shops, ticket window and distinctive sport and gift shops. And the Alyeska Tram and ski slopes are only steps away, making this a true ski-in/ski-out resort.

#### Hilton Anchorage (March 3 – 5)

This Anchorage hotel is a convenient ten-minute drive from Ted Stevens International Airport, and within walking distance of the Alaska Railroad Depot and Anchorage Convention District. Explore Anchorage's popular attractions including the start of the Iditarod, Alaska Museum of History and Art, the Ulu Factory, Nordstrom and the Fifth Avenue Mall – all only two blocks from the hotel. Enjoy a comfortable stay in a stylish guest room featuring thoughtful amenities and high-speed internet access.

#### **Trip Includes:**

- Five night stay at Hotel Alyeska and a two night stay at Hilton Anchorage
- Roundtrip transfers from Anchorage to Alyeska; Alyeska to Anchorage; Anchorage to airport.
- Four days of skiing at Alyeska Mountain Resort
- Welcome Reception Sunday evening
- Mid-Week Barbecue Picnic
- Nastar Club Race
- Farewell Dinner and Dance Party
- Start of the Iditarod

#### **Payment Schedule**

Click here to pay your deposit: <a href="http://www.lexskisports.org/trips">http://www.lexskisports.org/trips</a>

August: \$100 September: \$200 October: \$200 November: \$200 December: \$200 January: \$249

Contact: Randy Napier, <a href="mailto:trixie1821@gmail.com">trixie1821@gmail.com</a>

#### **Snow Sport Specifics in Brief!!**

Sölden is the largest ski resort in the Oetztal valley and its "Think big, think Sölden" slogan is applicable to both its terrain and nightlife.

This Alpine Ski World Cup venue ticks plenty of boxes: it has excellent snow reliability on two glaciers allowing it to stay open from October to May; an extensive network of slopes (145km) with an equally impressive lift system; more than 30 mountain huts in which to quench the thirst; a lively après-ski scene in town with an endless choice of party joints; and is located just an hour's drive from Innsbruck.

Sölden's **terrain** spans two glaciers (Rettenbach and Tiefenbach) and three well-connected mountains offering varied skiing for all levels. The ski area is particularly well suited to confident intermediates and advanced skiers. Beginners will find gentle runs at Innerwald and Giggijoch while intermediates have varied blue and red pistes throughout the ski area. From the Gaislachkogl (3058m) there are more challenging ski routes as well as lots of off-piste opportunities.

Sölden (1377m) is not a particularly high town but its slopes reach an altitude of 3250 m. In fact it offers three mountain peaks above 3,000m called the **BIG3**: Gaislachkogl (3048m), Tiefenbachkogl (3250m) and Schwarze Schneide (3340m). Sölden's peaks are so spectacular they have actually been chosen as one of the locations for the new James Bond movie Spectre due to be filmed this winter. Enjoy breathtaking views from the summit, or even lunch in the new Ice Q restaurant on the Gaislachkogl Peak (3048m), before taking one of the long runs back to town. The ski route from Schwarze Schneide at the Rettenbach Glacier down to Sölden is the region's longest ski trail at 15km with nearly 2,000m change in altitude.

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Pricing is only \$3,049 for all this! Remember that pricing is not final until ticketing due to fluctuations in currency rates and airline surcharges/taxes.

## SÖLDEN, AUSTRIA

March 11 - 19, 2016

**Sölden** is the largest ski resort in the Otztal valley and its "Think big, think Sölden" slogan is applicable to both its terrain and nightlife The skiing in Sölden is split into three main areas: the Gaislachkogl area; the Giggijoch area; and the glaciers. A route publicized by the tourist office - the BIG3 Rallye - describes a way to get around all the areas in one day (the BIG3 refers to the three peaks of over 3000 meters that it is possible to visit along the way)

For apres-ski, Sölden's main strip is filled with buzzing bars, clubs and restaurants. The vibrant party atmosphere attracts a young, lively crowd. There's more than 80 venues to choose from. Between 3pm and 7pm the village turns into a party location with skiers gathering at the many open-air bars along the main road. Apres ski kicks-off in the mountain huts where there's live music Friday afternoons, then back in town the party continues at a whole host of bars and nightclubs.

#### What's Included ...

- Airfare Lexington Munich Lexington on Delta Airlines
- Ground transportation Munich Sölden Munich
- · English-speaking guide on the bus
- Seven nights at the four-star Hotel Tyrolerhof at the resort
- Daily breakfast buffet at the hotel with hot and cold options
  - Dinner nightly at the hotel (five-course meal with two choices of starter, soup, and five choices of main meal and salad buffet)
  - Welcome wine and cheese reception with resort orientation
  - Use of wellness / spa facility with new, large indoor pool plus two saunas, two steam rooms and relaxation area at the hotel
- One night at four star ATA Executive Hotel in Milan
   Fuel charges / air taxes / local taxes / luggage handling tips
- Local guide assistance
- Many optional day tours
- Optional post-trip extension to Greek Isles
- Optional pre-trip extension to London

For more information, contact trip leader Janet Jones at 859.420.5016 or igiones@ukv.edu

















#### ÖTZ TAL

## SÖLDEN

#### OBERGURGL HOCHGURGL

Pristine powder snow slopes, bizarre rock formations, snow-topped peaks, mighty glacier snouts, seclusion. This picture-book winter wonderland is truly incredible. The highest peaks seem to be so close. Only a few more steps und you reach the top: soon you will enjoy your personal first line on untouched powder or corn snow slopes. Passionate ski mountaineers – and all those who want to try it in the future – can indulge to the full in the magic high Alpine winter world of the upper Ötztal Valley. There are some of the finest "hautes routes" in the Eastern Alps. Special recommendation: the classic "Vent Loop Trail" – featuring Tirol's most attractive peaks higher than three thousand meters, including Wildspitze summit! A state of the art snowmaking system guarantees that the slope is completely prepared and groomed.

## Details.....

Just some of the Winter Activities available.......

- Ski and Snowboard
- · Ice skating and curling
- · Heli-skiing and boarding
- Ice Climbing
- · Cross-country skiing
- Nordic walking
- Paragliding and hang-gliding
- Dog sledding
- Ski Mountaineering
- Excursions and Snowshoeing
- Swimming
- Snow tubing
- Winter hiking

#### Sölden Ski Area

- 10958 ft Summit
- 6528 ft Max Vertical
- 4429 Resort Altitude

#### **Features of Sölden Area**

- 144 km (95 miles) of pistes
- 40 runs (57 km blue, 48 km red, 27 km black)
- -- 2 terrain parks
- -- longest run 9 miles
- --2 km ski routes
- 33 lifts and cable cars

#### Obergurgl/Hochgurgl Area

- 10111 ft Summit
- 4199 ft Max Vertical
- 4429 Resort Altitude

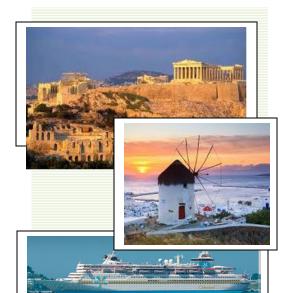
#### Features Obergurgl/Hochgurgl

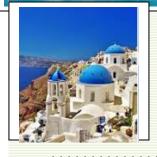
- 110 km (1 miles) of pistes
- 35 runs (35 km blue, 55 km red, 20 km black)
- --1 terrain park
- 24 lifts and cable cars

#### **Features of Oetz Area**

- 80 km (49+ miles) of pistes
- slopes (18 km blue, 47 km red, 10 km black-)
- -- 3 km ski routes, 2 km freestyle
- 24 lifts









Pricing is only \$2,299 for all this when booked with Sölden trip! Remember that pricing is not final until ticketing due to fluctuations in currency rates and airline surcharges/taxes. Greek Isles only available.

### **GREEK ISLES SAMPLER**

#### with LSSC and OVSC

March 19 - 27, 2016

Tour all the main areas of interest in the Greek Isle region – plus Athens - with your LSSC and OVSC friends in March. A busy itinerary is planned to see all the best sights!

What's Included ...

- Air between Munich and Athens
- Transfer between Athens Airport and hotel in private motorcoach with driver/guide
- One night in Athens at the Hotel Titania with breakfast.
- Speed ferry to Myconos
- One night at LetoHotel with breakfast
- Three night cruise on Celestyal Cruise with stops in Kusadasi, Turkey, Rhodes, Heraklioan, Crete, and Santorini
- Two nights at the Hotel Splendour in Santorini
- Speed ferry to Athens (Prieaus)
- Final night at the Hotel Titania in Athens with breakfast
- All meals included on cruise portion of trip
- All local taxes
- Departure tax
- Luggage handling tips
- Limited outside cabins and single supplements available for additional charge

## A FEW DAYS IN LONDON

March 7 - 12, 2016

What's Included...

- Air into London (Must include Sölden for this price)
- Transfer from Heathrow Airport to Hotel and return.
- Panoramic Tour of London on arrival day ending at hotel.
- 4 nights accommodations at the 4 star Kensington Close Hotel.
- English Breakfast daily.
- Local taxes
- Local tips.
- · Airfare from London to Munich.













For more information, contact trip leader Janet Jones at 859.420.5016 or igjones@uky.edu

#### **Board Notes**



The next board meeting will be **WEDNESDAY**, **December 9**, **2015** at 6:30 pm, at Linda Gorman's home. Members may attend any meeting of the board by notifying any board member advance. Contact Linda at lsgorm0@uky.edu for directions if you would like to attend.

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