

The Liftline

Pentagon Ski Club Summer, 2010

President's Corner By Peter Porton



First we had the worst winter in memory and now we have one of the hottest and driest summers in years; and there's an El Nino in the Pacific. Europe had a cold winter and now a hot summer. So what does that mean for our skiing next year? Nothing. We'll be skiing British Columbia, Utah, Montana, Wyoming, New Mexico, Switzerland and Italy over three months this coming winter and Chile this fall. You sign up for your favorite trip and after that it's luck as far as the weather goes.

That's how it seemed at our picnic, anyways. With about 110 attendees, it seems our trips meet your wants. Your council spends a lot of time figuring out the ski schedule, assigning trip leaders, and then we hope for the best. Some trips do very well, some trips go with fewer participants. Trip selection is an art, not a science. It's a fun way to spend the summer. That's why the ski season is the pay-off: trip leaders are done with selling the trips and collecting the payments and have finalized the contractual requirements. It becomes time to actually ski. Yup, running a ski club is a year-long process (well, actually late spring is often quiet), but the results are worth the effort.

Our first membership meeting of the year is on September 14; check our website or this newsletter for the year's meeting schedule. We'll also be sending you periodic Constant Contact e-mail updates, reminding you when the meetings are and what the agenda is. Constant Contact will be taking over a lot of the newsletter's former functions. We're moving into a new age!

We also decided this year to not have a meeting in February but we will have one in March. I hope to see as many of you as possible this year and that you all have a great ski season.



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Wounded Warrior Project

At our last meeting in April we collected more than \$3,100 in donations for the Wounded Warrior Project (including \$1,000 from the club). Thanks to all of you for your generosity: In five years, we have donated \$24,700 to this great charity (not including private donations by several individual members). A big thanks again to Derrick Wallace and our own Dennis Walburn for sharing their stories. The PSC is a Bronze Level contributor to the Disabled Sports USA charity (which partners with the Wounded Warrior Project).

Also a big thanks to those of you who assisted at the charity golf tournament at the Army/Navy Club. They needed all the help they could get and appreciated our efforts.



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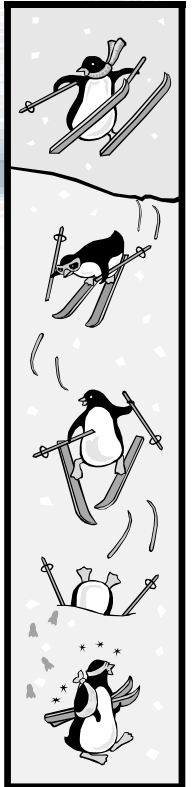
	1-YEAR	2-YEARS	3-YEARS
SINGLE	\$30	\$55	\$75
FAMILY	\$40	\$75	\$100

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PSC MEETING SCHEDULE

Our meetings are held on the second or third Tuesday of the months listed below at the Officers Club at Fort Myer, VA, at 7 PM

- Tuesday, September 14
- Tuesday, October 12
- Tuesday, November 9
- Tuesday, December 14
- Tuesday, January 18
- Tuesday, March 8
- Tuesday, April 19



Membership Benefits

To access the *Membership Benefits* area in the National Ski Council Federation website at www.skifederation.org (all PSCers are automatically members), use the following:

userid = skiclub; password = member

Membership Updates

Please take a moment to check the date on your newsletter label—it indicates the month your membership expires. If you need to renew or change your address, please see Cheree Peirce at our meetings, contact her at cheree2be@yahoo.com or send her a check (see membership fees up above).

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By Jim McDonough

On Thursday, January 14th, 2010, 34 intrepid members of the Pentagon Ski Club gathered at Dulles International Airport to set off for four days of skiing at Crested Butte, Colorado. Luckily Terry Ray got an early start from Pennsylvania that morning and arrived before an accident closed down I-270 that morning. After a thoroughly uneventful trip, even the bus was ready to go when we reached Gunnison and we checked into the Plaza Condominiums, our home for the next five nights. Once everyone settled into their rooms, those of us who needed skis discovered what life at 9,000 feet was going to be like as we wheezed our way up to Peak Sports to rent skis (thanks go to Dan Ellis and Winter Ski and Sport for finding this great ski shop and getting us a fantastic discount).

Our first dinner was a catered pizza party in the large lower lobby of the Plaza near the cozy fireplace. In addition to the pizza, the caterer provided a salad, cookies for dessert and liquid refreshments. Everyone enjoyed the party especially when Marie Millington from Crested Butte came by to tell us all about the resort's new adventure park and give us our lift tickets for the week. Several of the more adventurous members of the group—Rich Reinecke, Mary Jo Harowicz, Michelle Rampey, and Jennifer Nunes—ventured up to the **9380** restaurant (that's for 9,380 ft above sea level) for a nightcap.

The weather the first two days was stunning: perfect blue skies with hardly a cloud and you could see forever. Unfortunately there had been no snow for the previous three weeks, so the famous double-black-diamond areas of CB were closed. The grooming crew, however, did a great job of maintaining the half of the mountain that was open. With sunny skies and a 34 inch base most folks spent the first morning taking the guided mountain tour. Afterwards people formed groups (Ed Merkle grouped with Lynn Allison and Doug Hackett; Lesa Scott and Linda Wilkinson paired up; Frank Trippet and Joe Kirshner grouped up; and Marge Alia joined Karen Olmsted; while Mary Jo Harowicz and Michelle Rampey teamed up) and went free skiing until lunch. We all met at the Paradise warming hut for lunch. At the end of the day some folks had a beer at the Ice Bar (Jim Riordan, John White, Rich Reinecke, Ken Donovan, Matt Fox and me) before heading down the hill for the day.

A few ladies skipped skiing the first day and went downtown for lunch (Judy Kellar, Rebecca McDonough and Phoebe Hamil) while one of our newest members, Jennifer Nunes, spent the day getting used to the altitude, and signed up for two days of beginner lessons.

That night we had our group dinner at Slogar in downtown

Crested Butte; an inexpensive—and filling—“traditional” fried chicken dinner, served family style. The free shuttle bus system made it easy to travel between the mountain resort and the main town. Dinner was great: more than we could eat. After dinner, Phoebe wanted to check out one of the local saloons so Jeanne Fox, and Rebecca and I went along for moral support. At the saloon one of the locals invited Jeanne to join the beer pong tournament.

Saturday turned out to be “lesson day” as many PSCers signed up to take lessons. Rich Reinecke, John White, & Greg Breisinger and I took an expert lesson and since there was no powder, spent most of the day in the bumps. Rebecca McDonough and Gary Breisinger enjoyed an intermediate lesson while Jennifer Nunes started on her beginner lessons. Unfortunately Jennifer fell and hit her head; nothing serious but she did get a black eye.

That night, Ed, Doug, and Lynn opened their condo to the group for a wonderful spaghetti dinner cooked by Lynn. Everyone had a good time. After dinner Jeanne, Lesa, & Linda retired to their condo to watch the football game. Later that night we had our first experience with the other guests at the condo: the Texas Tech frat people who “entertained” us into the wee hours of the night.

Sunday, morning dawned cloudy with the unfulfilled promise of snow. Jeanne, Rebecca, Jim Riordan, and Greg & Gary Breisinger headed off to the nice little church in the morning. A large group gathered for lunch on the deck of Butte 66. But since they wouldn't serve us on the deck we talked another new club member, Michelle Rampey, into being our waitress for the afternoon and she put all our orders in at the bar. Judy and some other folks helped out, getting the food from the bar out to our table and we all had a great lunch. That afternoon most folks spent skiing in Paradise bowl. Unfortunately, going to church that morning did not help Jim Riordan as he fell and hurt his chest. While he skied the next day, we found out later that he had broken a rib.

That evening Ken Donovan found out he really did need eyeglasses. He was in the hot tub with the Texas Tech coeds, and only as he was leaving after 20 minutes there did he realize the girls were wearing their underwear and not bathing suits. Of course it was rather daunting to find your way to the hot tub through the large quantities of empty beer bottles and cans left by the tub.

While some folks stayed in and ate leftovers from the group dinner at Slogar or the spaghetti dinner, others tried out some of the outstanding restaurants in downtown Crested Butte. Rich Reinecke led a group to the Timberline Restaurant, while Doug Hackett and crew tried the Wooden Nickel, and still others tried a Thai food place whose name I can't recall.

On Monday morning we went down to the lobby and found the Texas Tech people trying to leave the hotel. It was especially heartwarming to see them having each room inspected and damage paid for before they could leave. Of course this in no way made up for the vomit on the floors and in the hot tub; the loud noise they produced throughout the nights, or the lack of response

on the part of the condo staff. Needless to say, we won't be staying at the Plaza again without assurances that this kind of thing won't happen again.

Monday was our final day of skiing and while it was grey and cloudy we only had a few flurries. We skied hard all day and managed to cram a lot of runs in, especially as the resort was empty. In fact, there were hardly any lift lines the entire time we were there.

Tuesday dawned and it was time to leave. Of course now the snow was falling. There must have been eight inches by the time the bus showed up to take us to the airport. Our trip wouldn't be complete without a delay, and American Airlines obliged in Dallas. Our flight was delayed by a "blown" warning light that took two hours to replace. We finally boarded the plane and made it to Dulles airport about 1:30 AM. Time to go home and get a few hours sleep before work the next morning.

Do Not Let Fear Affect Your Skiing

By Stan Popovich

Sometimes, fear and anxiety can get the best of us in skiing. The key is to know how to manage that fear and anxiety. As a result, here is a brief list of techniques that a skier can use to help manage their fears and every day anxieties.

Occasionally, you may become stressed when you have to ski in an important event. When this happens, visualize yourself doing the task in your mind. For instance, you have to ski in the championship event in front of a large group of people in the next few days. Before the big day comes, imagine yourself skiing. Self-Visualization is a great way to reduce the fear and stress of a coming situation.

Sometimes we get stressed out when everything happens all at once. When this happens, a person should take a deep breath and try to find something to do for a few minutes to get their mind off of the problem. A person could read the newspaper, listen to some music or do an activity that will give them a fresh perspective on things.

Another technique that is very helpful is to have a small notebook of positive statements that you can carry around with you. Whenever you come across an affirmation that makes you feel good, write it down in a small notebook that you can carry around with you. Whenever you feel stressed, open up your small notebook and read those statements. This will help to manage your negative thinking.

In every anxiety-related situation you experience, begin to learn what works, what doesn't work, and what you need to improve on in managing your fears and anxieties. For instance, you have a lot of anxiety and you decide to take a small walk before your event to help you feel better. The next time you feel anxious you can remind yourself that you got through it the last time by taking a walk. This will give you the confidence to manage your

anxiety the next time around.

Take advantage of the help that is available around you. If possible, talk to a professional who can help you manage your fears and anxieties. They will be able to provide you with additional advice and insights on how to deal with your current problem. By talking to a professional, a person will be helping themselves in the long run because they will become better able to deal with their problems in the future. Remember that it never hurts to ask for help.

Remember that patience, persistence, and education will go a long way in preventing fear from becoming a factor in your skiing.

Biography:

Stan Popovich is the author of "A Layman's Guide to Managing Fear Using Psychology, Christianity and Non Resistant Methods"—an easy-to-read book that presents a general overview of techniques that are effective in managing persistent fears and anxieties. For additional information go to: <http://www.managingfear.com/>







Racing by Dave Olsen

2009-2010 Race Results

The first table below shows the Nastar scores earned by our racers subsequent to the Spring *Lifeline*, together with a tabulation of the scores making up their Average Handicap for the season, which is the basis for our awards.

Thirty-two club members raced Nastar a total of 90 times during the season and 14 qualified for our awards by racing at least three times. The results appear in the accompanying table, showing all the categories recognized at our April awards meeting. The points we earned in Nastar's national competition for ski clubs ranked us 137th in a field of 1,952 named clubs — the top 7%! In addition to all the medals pinned on during the season, nine of our racers earned invitations to the Nastar National Championships held at Winter Park in March. To get invited you had to rank in the top three in your age group and division at a Nastar resort. Although none actually accepted the invitation and made the trek to Winter Park, it's a noteworthy accomplishment to have earned the invitation. Congratulations to Townsend Belser, Jerry Bennis, Lee Hagenstad, Randy Knack, Lesa Scott, Jo Simpson, Ken Simpson, Jay Weides and Linda Wilkinson.

We base our age-group awards on how close you are to a Gold Medal in your age category. We compare each racer's Final Handicap (the average of your best two remaining handicaps after throwing out your season-best handicap) to what you need for a gold medal. We do this to match the Nastar program's 5-year age groups with the 10-year groups in our own program. The competitor closest to gold (or deepest into gold, i.e., with the lowest Medal Points) prevails in their age group. Our *fastest skier* awards are not handicapped by Medal Points like the age-group awards, but are presented to the skier with the lowest Final Handicap.

Our Most Improved awards are given to the racers with the best percentage improvement in their handicap compared to their best result in recent years. Jo Simpson's 57.00 handicap represents a modest 7% improvement over the 60.99 handicap average she had two winters ago. Dick Fiske's 35.63 handicap is better than a 10% improvement over the 39.81 handicap he aver-

aged last winter

Our Most Races awards include both an Eastern and Western racer, in recognition that it's a lot tougher for our DC-area skiers to find a Nastar course than for those living out West. We had several Eastern skiers with 5 races to their credit, so we invoked our tiebreaker rule that defers to the skier who raced at the most number of different resorts. Tom Strawbridge raced at 5 different resorts — Blue Knob, Telluride, Breckenridge, Copper Mountain, and Beaver Creek. More than 91,000 skiers raced Nastar this winter, and Jay Weides's 15 races placed him in the top 1% for number of days raced.

The Spirit of Racing award recognizes skiers who have contributed in some special manner to our recreational racing program. It's unrelated to a skier's performance on the racecourse. Any given year we might recognize one skier, several skiers, or sometimes no one at all. We presented this year's award to Dick Fiske for his rekindled enthusiasm for racing



PSC 2009-2010 Nastar Scores

All new results subsequent to Spring Liftline

Racer	Name	Previously Published Results	Vail 3/14	Vail 3/17	Vail 3/18	Key-stone 3/18	Aspen Highlands 3/21	Aspen Highlands 3/25	Aspen Mtn 3/25	Snow-mass 3/26	Total No. Races	Low HC	2nd HC	3rd HC	Average H'cap #
Christina	Anderson	1					48.08S	45.01G	54.13S	52.20S	5	45.01	48.08	52.20	50.14
Pat	Berry	3									3	54.27	58.11	59.44	58.78
Dick	Fiske						34.03S	33.90S	37.22S	43.36S	4	33.90	34.03	37.22	35.63
Lee	Hagenstad	4									4	60.39	61.54	62.98	62.26
Roger	Hanneman		42.50S	37.53S	51.16B						3	37.53	42.50	51.16	46.83
Pat	Hobitz							56.87S	55.95S	50.99S	3	50.99	55.95	56.87	56.41
Nina	Litton	1					47.61S	42.62G	46.32S	40.83G	5	40.83	42.62	46.32	44.47
Dave	Olsen	1					24.54G	23.08G	26.46G	21.17G	5	21.17	23.08	24.54	23.81
Steve	Peirce	1	44.91B	39.19S	49.22B						4	39.19	44.91	46.76	45.84
Jo	Simpson	5									5	47.31	49.33	64.67	57.00
Ken	Simpson	4									4	28.23	38.44	44.76	41.60
Tom	Strawbridge	5									5	47.30	47.36	51.91	49.64
Jay	Weides	14				25.56G					15	18.21	21.67	22.60	22.14
Linda	Wilkinson	2		56.70B							3	48.18	56.70	64.18	60.44

Average of the best 2 handicaps remaining after throwing out the lowest handicap.

2009-2010 Racing Awards Summary

(Includes results from two previous seasons)

Category	07-08	Medal Pts/Hcp	08-09	Medal Pts/Hcp	09-10	Medal Pts/Hcp
Fastest Skier	Lee Hagenstad	39.81	Christina Anderson	34.72	Nina Litton	44.47
Class D					Linda Wilkinson	23.44mp/60.44
Class E	Christina Anderson	1.22mp/43.22	Christina Anderson	-7.28mp/34.72	Nina Litton	2.47mp/44.47
2nd	Pat Berry	10.24mp/50.24	Nina Litton	-3.31mp/38.69	Pat Hobitz	14.41mp/56.41
3rd			Pat Berry	1.35mp/41.35	Pat Berry	18.78mp/58.78
Class F	Jo Simpson	14.99mp/60.99	Jo Simpson	37.97mp/85.97	Christina Anderson	4.14mp/50.14
2nd					Jo Simpson	9.00mp/57.00
Class G	Lee Hagenstad	-12.19mp/39.81	Lee Hagenstad	-10.59mp/41.41	Lee Hagenstad	10.26mp/62.26
Most Improved Handicap	Christina Anderson	32.4%	Christina Anderson	19.7%	Jo Simpson	6.5%
Fastest Skier	Jay Weides	17.59	Dave Olsen	10.75	Jay Weides	22.14
Class C	Jeff Burka	17.5mp/36.50	Jeff Burka	10.85mp/29.85		
Class D	David Webster	8.31mp/30.31	Richard Huot	-4.67mp/17.33		
Class E	Steve Peirce	2.72mp/28.72	Steve Peirce	0.72mp/26.72	Steve Peirce	19.84mp/45.84
2nd			Randy Knack	7.28mp/33.28	Tom Strawbridge	23.64mp/49.64
3rd			Joe Kirschner	15.64mp/41.64		
Class F	Jay Weides	-15.41mp/17.59	Dave Olsen	-19.25mp/10.75	Dave Olsen	-6.19mp/23.81
2nd	Dave Olsen	-10.58mp/19.42	Jay Weides	-16.60mp/16.40	Dick Fiske	5.63mp/35.63
3rd	Ken Simpson	5.95mp/38.95	Roger Hanneman	-3.39mp/26.61	Ken Simpson	8.60mp/41.60
Class G					Jay Weides	-13.86mp/22.14
Most Improved Handicap	Jeff Burka	38.7%	Roger Hanneman	34.6%	Dick Fiske	10.5%
Most Races	Christina Anderson (E)	8	Christina Anderson (East)	11	Tom Strawbridge (East)	5
	Jay Weides (West)	18	Lee Hagenstad (West)	17	Jay Weides (West)	15
Spirit of Racing	Lee Hagenstad		Misty Robling		Dick Fiske	
Participation	Bob Chatman				Roger Hanneman	
	Bill Weigand					

Fastest skier awards are based on lowest average Nastar handicap & are not handicapped by age.

Update On Ski Helmets

By John B. Pratt II

(From Martin Forstenzer, contributor, *Ski* magazine)

Last season's death of actress Natasha Richardson revived the debate about making helmets mandatory on the slopes. Should there even be a debate?

The long-running helmet debate has expanded into serious discussions of requiring helmets for everyone on the snow. Vail Resorts, the largest ski operator in the country, recently mandated that all employees wear helmets while skiing or riding on the job, becoming the first company to do so.

Richardson remains the lightning rod for helmet proponents. She wasn't wearing a helmet when she fell in soft snow on a beginner slope. She seemed fine afterward, joking about the mishap, but her condition quickly worsened, and she died the next day from internal bleeding caused by a "blunt impact to the head," according to the New York City medical examiner's office. As it happens, the Association of Quebec Emergency Room Doctors had called for ski helmets to be made mandatory about a month before. After the highly publicized accident, the Quebec legislature began debating a law to make helmets mandatory for all skiers.

Two months before Richardson's death, the helmet debate had been stirred in Europe by another high-profile skiing fatality. Dieter Althaus, a prominent ally of German Chancellor Angela Merkel, collided with a 41-year-old woman at the Riesneralm resort in Austria. The woman, who was not wearing a helmet, died while being transported to medical care, while the helmeted Althaus was hospitalized with severe brain trauma. He recovered and was later convicted of manslaughter and fined approximately \$50,000.

Some industry officials view helmets as the seatbelts of our time: A generation ago few people used seatbelts; now they are universally accepted as standard safety gear, and to not use them while driving is considered reckless. For now, helmets remain a personal decision.

Colorado resident Shawn Carlson, 44, is a lifelong skier and has been wearing a helmet for more than a decade, a decision partly prompted by his love of skiing fast. "Any other sport in which you're going 30 miles per hour, you would wear a helmet," Carlson says. "So it seems logical I should wear one."

Now with all that said, how much is your brain worth? Or put another way, how much is it worth to you to be able to control all your body functions? That's a question from one of my Masters of Science in Safety professors at USC. There is an excellent article on the subject of ski helmets at <http://www.telemarktips.com/Helmets.html>. After you read it, you'll realize that through PSC you no longer have an excuse to ski without wearing a helmet. On the subject of safety it dawned on me one day that I would never think of driving my car without the seat belts fastened. That same epiphany also occurred to me on the subject of helmets. As a helicopter pilot, I would never dream of starting a helicopter without a helmet on, even if I wasn't flying it anywhere. Nor would the Arlington County Chief of Police ever think of riding his bike again without wear-

ing a helmet. But the thought of spending \$100+ for a helmet kind of held me back for a while, (God knows why, considering the price of skiing).

Now for the price of a lunch on the slopes you can have your own personal "Brain Bucket." The PSC is offering ASTM 2040 certified ski helmets. The ASTM certification process for ski helmets is explained in the above link. I will also have a copy of it with me at club meetings. For those of you who are really fashion conscious, at \$23 each, you can have one that matches all your ski outfits. That is the price for ordering and delivery a helmet at the next club meeting. If you want it delivered to your home, the price goes up to \$41.45 regardless of where you order it. They come in Black (as pictured here), Red, Blue, Silver, and Hot Pink. You can order them at club meetings and have them by the next meeting at \$23 each. If you can't make the meetings, but want me to order one for you, send me an e-mail and I'll send you back the size charts and the website to choose you color(s) along with an order form. As soon as I get your check, I'll order the helmet(s) and when they come in I will let you know so we can make arrangements to get you your helmet, unless you want it delivered direct to you home at \$41.45 ea.



PSC Logo Items

Want to get extra Ski Lotto tickets or just some great clothing? At all ski club meetings except the picnic we have Ski Lotto, and if you are wearing something with the PSC logo on it, you are entitled to an extra ticket. Even if you don't attend the meetings or play Ski Lotto, the logo items are a great way to show off your club while you are on the slopes. We have all of the following in stock: automobile license plate holders, baseball caps, and cloisonné ski pins.

For clothing and others item such as tote bags, our supplier is Jill Lee of *Jill's Designs*. Jill has set up a web site at www.jillsembroidery.com.

It's also on the PSC website as a link. At the website you can pick the item you want from the pictures shown there, but if you don't see it listed don't hesitate to contact Jill directly. Just pick out what you want, print out the order form, mail it to Jill, and she'll get back to you when it's ready.

In addition to picking out the basic color of the item you want, you also get to pick out the colors on the logo: the skier; the pentagon diagram; and the words can be all the same color or whatever colors you want them to be.

Pentagon Ski Club 2010 - 2011 Trip Schedule

Dates	Destination	Trip Leaders	Package	Approx. Cost
Dec 26 - Jan 1	Jackson Hole, WY	Maggie Fitzgerald - 703-461-3027	6 nights in 49er Inn (hotel rooms) with Elk BBQ dinner & daily continental breakfast. 4-day lift ticket at Jackson Hole plus one day at Grand Targhee. NASTAR available for racing enthusiasts. RT on American from Reagan National to Jackson through Chicago.	\$ 1,490
Jan 8 - 1	Whistler, BC	Steve Peirce - 301-924-5173	7 nights in 2br/2ba condos at Delta Whistler Village Suites (brochure). 6-day lift ticket. RT on Delta from Reagan National to Vancouver through Minneapolis.	\$ 1,650
Jan 12 - 17	Copper Mountain, UT	Lucy Gruenther - 703-727-9287	MLK-weekend trip, Wednesday-to-Monday. 5 nights in 2br/2ba condos at Copper Mountain Lodging (Silver-level units). 4-day lift ticket. NASTAR available for racing enthusiasts. RT nonstop on United from Dulles to Denver.	\$ 970
Jan 22-29	Steamboat, CO	Linda Wilkinson - 571-312-6190; Lesa Scott - 703-250-3211	7 nights in 2BR/2BA LaCasa Condos. 5-day lift ticket. NASTAR available daily for racing enthusiasts. RT nonstop on United from Dulles to Denver.	\$ 1,270
Jan 28 - Feb 6/10	Zermatt, Switzerland & French Riviera	Joel Gardner - 703-430-5963; Christina Anderson - 703-719-6714	7 nights in 3-Star+ Hotel Bristol Zermatt with daily breakfast & 5 dinners. RT nonstop on United from Dulles to Geneva. RT train to Zermatt. One night (Sat, Feb 5) in Geneva's Hotel Edelweiss with buffet breakfast. Optional post-trip extension to French Riviera (\$780) returns Feb 10. Emergency medical & repatriation insurance (not cancellation insurance) included. Lift tickets extra.	\$ 2,550
Feb 5 - 12	Park City, UT	John Pratt - 703-534-5759	BRSC Western Carnival! 7 nights in the Yarrow Resort Hotel with daily buffet breakfast. 5-day lifts including 2 at Park City, 2 at Deer Valley, & 1 at The Canyons. NASTAR race, welcome party, apres ski party, & farewell dinner/dance. RT nonstop on Delta from Dulles to Salt Lake City.	\$ 1,590
Feb 13 - 19	Winter Park, CO	Steve Thompson - 703-435-5170	Budget-saving Sunday-to-Saturday trip. 6 nights lodging at baseside Vintage Hotel with daily breakfast. 5-day lift ticket. NASTAR available for racing enthusiasts. RT nonstop on United from Dulles to Denver.	\$ 1,130
Feb 19 - 26	Big Sky, MT	Christina Anderson - 703-719-6714; Maureen Levy - 301-299-7244	Presidents Week - 7 nights in hotel-room suites at The Lodge at Big Sky with daily breakfast buffet. 5-day lift ticket - 3 at Big Sky & 2 at neighboring Moonlight Basin. RT on Delta from Reagan National to Bozeman through Minneapolis.	\$ 1,460
Feb 25 - Mar 5/9	Aosta Valley, Italy & London	Peter Porton - 703-471-7791; Dieter Waldschmidt - 301-983-4506	BRSC Eurofest! 7 nights in 4-Star Hotel Cheval Blanc with daily breakfast & 4 dinners. Welcome party, apres-ski party & farewell dinner/dance. RT nonstop on United from Dulles to Geneva. Optional post-trip extension to London (\$685) returns Mar 9. Emergency medical & repatriation insurance (not cancellation insurance) included. Lift tickets extra	\$ 2,040
Mar 5 - Mar 12	Breckenridge, CO	Dave Olsen - 301-579-2749	7 nights in the Great Divide Lodge (hotel rooms), just 50 yards from the lifts at Peak 9 and two short blocks from historic Main Street. 5-day lift ticket good also at 4 other resorts (see Trip Details). NASTAR available for racing enthusiasts. RT nonstop on United from Dulles to Denver.	\$ 1,600
Mar 12-19	Red Mountain, BC	Steve Peirce - 301-924-5173	7 nights in 2br deluxe on-mountain Red Mountain Condos with welcome reception. 4 days lift tickets at Red Mountain and 1 day (with bus) at Whitewater Resort. RT from Reagan National to Spokane on Alaska Airlines through Seattle.	\$ 1,550
Mar 19 - 26	Taos, NM	Jim McDonough - 703-619-0020; Rich Reinecke - 703-509-5604	7 nights in slopeside 2BR/2BA Snakedance Condos with welcome reception & daily continental breakfast. 5-day lift ticket. NASTAR available for racing enthusiasts. RT on American from Reagan National to Albuquerque through Chicago out; Dallas back. Custom fleece vest for each participant.	\$ 1,400

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The first two membership meetings of the new ski season are on September 14 and October 12. Check Page 2 for our full season schedule.

Our trips are selling very well so be sure to call your tripleaders before they are sold out! The schedule is listed inside.

Our meetings start at 7 PM, or earlier for some of the old-timers. But remember, don't drink and drive!

