

Ski Scoops

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BOARD MEETING

May 19, 2015

40 YEARS AND COUNTING

This September we will begin to celebrate York Ski Club's 40th Anniversary. Besides offering numerous awesome ski packages for the 2015-2016 season, the YSC Board is considering other discounts and give aways. We believe our trip packages are affordable and generally lower than most other clubs. The YSC Board has suggested that each trip leader add a special surprise on each trip.

To make our trips successful, we need early commitments especially for our two European trips. Alphorn Tours has a very aggressive deposit schedule. We are taking signups now and the first payments are actually due by the YSC picnic on July 12, 2015. In fact, several payments will be necessary well before our typical September trip signup meeting. With a very favorable Euro exchange rate, maybe 2016 is the year you should consider a trip to Austria or France. YSC trip leaders and Board members are also researching trip interruption and medical insurance. Medicare does not cover healthcare related issues overseas.

With plans for 2016 trips almost under our belt, we're looking at 2017 and beyond. Mike Oberdick, Mary Angstadt and I recently attended the Philly Ski Show on 5/4/15 to meet with tour operators and ski destination representatives.

Finally, the YSC Board has also requested that I reach out to other local club presidents for planning our 2017 trips, especially those involving motor coaches. We know several clubs struggled during the 2014 – 2015 ski season with too many empty seats. Cooperation with other clubs will hopefully keep YSC around for another Forty Years. Please commit early.

Thank You
Rick

The 2015-2016 season will also be the York Ski Club's 40th Anniversary. To celebrate we are offering the more trips than we ever attempted in one season. Mark your calendar now for the following trips:

ESPC Big Sky, MT	Sat. to Sat.	01/16-01/23/16
Belleayre, NY	Fri. to Sun.	01/29-01/31/16
Innsbruck, Austria	Fri. to Sat.	02/12-02/20/16
Wisp/Canaan/Timberline	Thurs. to Mon.	03/03-03/07/16
Val d'Iserre, France	Fri. to Sun.	03/04-03/13/16
Killington/Okemo	Sat. to Tues.	04/02-04/05/16

NEXT YSC HAPPY HOUR MAY 19, 2015 • 6:30 PM

The next YSC happy hour will be at the Paddock

3406 East Market Street, York, beginning at 6:30pm.

The YSC Board will have a short meeting at 6:00pm. Guests are welcome.

INNSBRUCK, AUSTRIA

February 12-20, 2016 (Fri-Sat)

Innsbruck, Austria is the capital of the state of Tyrol-the birthplace of skiing as we know it! Innsbruck finds itself torn between being an incredible ski destination, offering some of the world's most varying terrain, and a world-class cosmopolitan city – full of culture and nightlife! The trip cost is \$1,699 pp/do (without lift tickets and \$1,899 pp/so. We plan to ski a different area each day.

Hotel Innsbruck – is located at the bank of the Inn river in the heart of the Historic Old Town, only a 5-minute walk from the “Golden Roof” and the Hungerburgbahn Cable Car. All rooms have a minibar, a safe, a flat-screen TV and a private bathroom. Free Wi-Fi is available in all areas. The panoramic spa area looks over the roofs of the Old Town and includes panoramic windows, a bio-sauna, a Finnish sauna, an infrared cabin, and a terrace. Facilities at the spa area with the indoor pool (non-nude area) include a Finnish sauna, an aromatherapy steam bath and a floating tub.

Trip Price Includes All of the Following:

- NONSTOP Roundtrip air between Newark and Zurich on Swiss Air (SKIS FLY FREE!)
- Deluxe motorcoach transfers between airport & hotel in Europe
- SEVEN nights at Hotel Innsbruck
- Full European breakfast daily only

- Wine and cheese party upon arrival to Innsbruck
- Baggage tags and travel packets for all participants
- All resort and lodging taxes & fees, but no gratuities
- International Departure Tax, Security Fees & Fuel Surcharges
- Motor coach roundtrip York to Newark (and return)

The signup forms are available online or can be picked up at the YSC Picnic, or any Happy Hour, or by contacting Rick Resh (717-767-5951). The deposits and payments are due based on the following schedule assuming double occupancy:

07/12/15 \$400 pp
08/31/15 \$400 pp
09/30/15 \$400 pp
10/31/15 \$499 pp

Remember the package does not include lift tickets. If you make your payments on time, you may deduct \$40 (40 year anniversary discount) off your last payment.

Please make your payments payable to "York Ski Club" and mail to Rick Resh, 1360 Briargate Drive, York, PA 17404. Please provide a copy of your passport with the form.

Contact Rick if you have any questions.

CROSS COUNTRY SKI DAY March Camp 2/6/16

Mother Nature has not been very cooperative the past two seasons and our aggressive YSC schedule has a limited number of available weekends. So mark your calendar for Saturday, February 6, 2016 the day before Super Bowl Sunday. We plan to ski, sled, wine, hike or bike depending on Mother Nature has in store for us. We're keeping it flexible.



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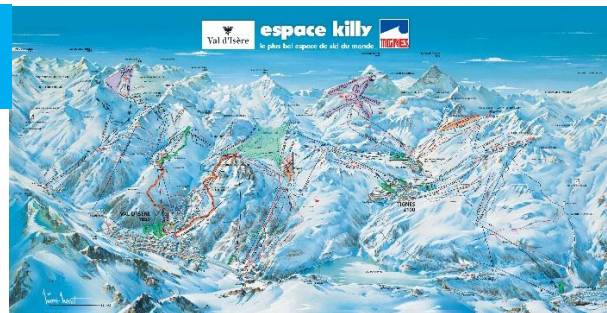


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VAL d'ISERE, FRANCE

March 4 – 13, 2016

YORK SKI CLUB presents Val d'Isere & Espace Killy, France With a day in Annecy, France Before a Sunday departure



Val d'Isere, France - Is located in the Savoy Region of the majestic French Alps, Val d'Isere is one of the world's largest and most famous ski resorts. Come ski the Olympic slopes of Val d'Isere in the tracks of Jean Claude Killy! Val d'Isere offers enough challenge to make this region the favorite of accomplished skiers, yet the wide-open, rolling slopes make it all seem easy. It is literally possible to ski day after day without taking the same run for a second time. Enjoy **Espace Killy**, Val d'Isere to **Tignes**, for many hours and miles of skiing.

The **Hotel Altitude***** is **ski-in/ski-out** chalet-style hotel is located near the Face de Belvedere ski slope and has a warm and homey atmosphere with the restaurant serving good quality, traditional French food. Located at the foot of the Olympic gondola, the Altitude is a 3-minute walk (300m) across the slopes from the village centre. Most rooms have balcony with views of the mountains, lounge with open fire, cocktail bar, restaurant, sauna, solarium, Turkish bath, ski room with boot dryer, lift, and wireless internet access.

Before returning home via Geneva, spend a full day at the idyllic lakeside town of Annecy. The city's medieval town center, with its canals, are considered the Venice of the Savoie, and straddles the Thiou River, and sits on the shore of Lake Annecy. Spend the day exploring its chateau, palais, cathedral or take a leisurely stroll along the lake. (Considered one of France's best by Michelin Green Guide). We will be staying at Hotel Splendid***, which is right along the lake.

Trip Price Includes All of the Following:

- Motorcoach bus from York to EWR
- Group transfers between hotels/airports
- SEVEN nights' accommodation in the center of Val d'Isere (double occ.)
- Full European Buffet breakfast & Gourmet Dinner each evening at hotel
- Wine and cheese party upon arrival in Val d'Isere
- Int'l Departure Taxes, Security Fees & Fuel Surcharges (may change at time of ticketing based on current rates)
- Saturday overnight in Annecy at the 'Splendid Hotel'



TRIP PRICE: \$2,925.00 (dbl occ) ONLY 32 spots available – send your deposit

TODAY!!!! Check out "TRIP ADVISOR" for details about "Hotel Altitude" and the "Splendid Hotel" in Annecy.

Anticipated special Alphorn rate of \$300 - \$325 additional for 6-day Espace Killy lift pass with Carre Neige Insurance included. Senior/Junior rates may be available but cannot be confirmed at this time.

Current flight times to be determined: Flying Newark – Geneva

TRIP EXTENSION TO VIENNA under consideration

To sign up or obtain additional information please contact: Mike Oberdick - (717) 542-1735 or swissnutmike@gmail.com

Initial deposit of \$500.00 due ASAP to confirm your spot on this popular trip

Please make checks payable to York Ski Club and mail to Mike Oberdick, 245 Hillstream Rd. Red Lion, PA 17356

ONE FORM must be completed for EACH PERSON

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Enclosed is my \$500.00 per person deposit for the March 4-13, 2016 Val d'Isere trip.

Name _____ Rooming with: _____
(EXACTLY as it appears on your Passport)

Email: _____

Address _____ Cell Phone: _____

D.O.B. / Passport # & Exp date: _____

☐ (Please check) Yes, I have read and understand the cancellation & refund policies on the reverse side.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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DEPOSIT / PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS

\$500.00 deposit due ASAP to hold space

2nd Payment of \$500 due June 1 2015

3rd Payment of \$500 due August 1, 2015

*****Extension payment will be required with 3rd payment*****

4th Payment of \$500 due October 1, 2015

Final payment / remainder of balance due by December 1, 2015

Include payment for lift ticket with final payment

Sorry, credit cards will not be accepted for this trip, price reflects cash discount

Single supplement of \$350 may apply if suitable roommate is not available. .

If you do not sign up with a roommate and one cannot be found for you, a single supplement will be charged.

Cancellation penalties will apply after Sept. 1

CHANGE OF ITINERARY

Any changes in the itinerary will result in a \$100 change fee, plus any additional charges as a result of the change--if the change is possible. There will be no refunds for any unused portions of the trip as the group rates are based on everyone following the same itinerary.

CANCELLATION & REFUND POLICY

Some restrictions and penalties apply to your vacation investment. If you cancel your reservations, **YOUR RIGHT TO A REFUND IS LIMITED**, as set forth in the following schedule. All cancellations **must discussed with you trip leader and also be in writing and sent to Alphorn Tours & Incentives, Inc.**, 4Congress St. Newburyport, MA 01950. Date of postmark will determine applicable policy:

After July 1, 2015 and up to 120 days (Nov. 5, 2015) prior to departure cancellation policy is as follows:

A: Any and all cancellations, are subject to a \$95.00 per person contracted administration fee.

B: Any and all cancellations received 119 to 90 days prior to departure - \$ 395.00 per person contacted cancellation fee.

C: Any and all cancellations received 89 to 45 days prior to departure - \$595.00 per person contacted cancellation fee.

D: Any and all cancellations received 44 days or less to departure – **no refunds.**

No refunds for early departure or late arrival. No shows, no refund. No partial refunds will be made on airfare or unused portions of this package.

Refunds will be made as soon as they are received from vendors (minimum eight (8) weeks).

INSURANCE

We strongly recommend the purchase of trip insurance covering, accident, sickness or death of a participant or covered family member that would result in cancellation either prior to or during the trip. Trip participants can go to www.alphorntours.com homepage and click on the Travel Guard link to sign up for trip insurance. If calling Travel Guard (800-549-9037) give Alphorn Tours agent code of 125081 to sign up.

PASSPORT

For Passport Info go to <http://travel.state.gov/passport>; Valid 6-months after return date required!!!

YSC PICNIC AT LAKE MEADE

Sunday, July 12, 2015

Our major summer event will again be held at Lake Meade and is sponsored by Mike and Susie Mummert. We hear there is a new boat..... The resort is a gated community; just announce that you are attending our event to the guard at the entrance.

YSC will provide pulled pork, baked beans and water. Members and guests are asked to bring a covered dish or dessert to share. The pavilion (same as last year) has play equipment and volleyball nets nearby. Boating, waterskiing, and kayaking are available, so come as early as 10:00am. No outside boats or kayaks are allowed on the lake. Boat rides around the lake and water skiing are also possible. A bike ride around the lake is scheduled at Noon. Plan to attend by 2:00pm; dinner is scheduled for 3:00pm. Bring your own alcoholic drinks and don't forget chairs and your favorite yard game.

Trip information and signup applications will be available. Discounted renewal memberships will be accepted. Bring your check book...and sunscreen!



DIRECTIONS TO YORK SKI CLUB PICNIC

From York via. Davidsburg Rd.
Travel west to Rt. 194, turn right approx. 1 mile

Turn left onto Lake Meade Rd. 1 mile

Turn left onto Stoney Point Rd.

Lake Meade Entrance on right

From York via. East Berlin

Travel west through East Berlin turn right onto Germany Rd. 3 miles

At stop turn right onto Stoney Point Rd. 2 miles

Left into entrance of Lake Meade

From York US 30 West turn right onto Lake Rd. in

Thomasville toward East Berlin

Turn left onto East Berlin Rd. go through East Berlin

Turn right onto Germany Rd. 3 miles

Turn right onto Stoney Point Rd. 2 miles

Left into entrance of Lake Meade

Lake Meade Community Complex @ the ballfield Picnic Area

After entering the lake continue forward to the tee intersection

Make a left onto Lake Meade Dr. 2 miles

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BIG SKY, MONTANA

January 16-23, 2016

The York Ski Club (YSC) will attend the Eastern PA Ski Council (EPSC) Winter Carnival at Big Sky Montana next year. At the present time only land rates are available. The club has placed a deposit for up to 16 members and hopefully we will be staying at the Huntley Lodge. The package will include airfares from Harrisburg to Bozeman and the following:

- 7 Nights Lodging and Daily Breakfasts (Tip Extra)
- Baggage Handling at the Resort Properties
- EPSC Identification/Credential Badge Issued to all Participants
- A Winter Carnival Schedule of Events and Big Sky Resort Discount Coupons for all members
- Welcome Party for all Participants with drinks and hors d'oeuvres
- A full 5 or 6 Day Lift Pass Valid for all lifts at Big Sky including the runs formerly designated as Moonlight Basin
- EPSC Club Race with Apres Race Pizza Lunch
- EPSC on Mountain fun event on Monday and Lite Dinner Function on Thursday
- Gala Dinner Party and Dance with DJ on Tuesday at Big Sky Resort
- All taxes, fees and gratuities on included items listed

Big Sky is now the biggest skiing area in America, with 5,750 acres, 29 lifts on 260 trails. They will be an option to ski a 6th day or tour Yellowstone National Park. More information will be available in future newsletters.

Contact Mary Amsbaugh at (717) 764-6145 or Rick Resh at (717) 767-5951 with any questions.

Space is limited, so let us know if you are interested.