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BOARD MEETING

January 26, 2016

IT'S ELECTION TIME

We have one opening on the Board of Directors starting April 1, 2016. While Shawn McEachern is the head of the nominating committee, club members may contact any Board Member if interested. Nominations will be accepted at the January meeting and elections will be conducted at the February meeting.

Due to our trip schedules, there will be a conflict with our January and February regular YSC meeting schedule. Club meetings will be held one week earlier on the second Tuesday as follows:

January 12, 2016 (NOT 01/19/16)

February 9, 2016 (NOT 02/16/16)

Last month I prematurely predicted that cold weather was coming. Boy was I wrong. But if you look closely at our YSC trip calendar, you may hopefully take advantage of the late season start in 2016. Our first trip to Big Sky is full, but for those members going west, conditions look good. Belleayre, NY is a little later than normal, giving Mother Nature a chance to do her thing, but we have a waiting list. I can still take two more to Innsbruck Austria and Mike Oberdick has openings to France. Our later than normal trip to Canaan/Timberline, WV has several lodging spots available. And for those really late season skiers there is Killington/Okemo. Even with Old Man Winter dragging his feet, YSC still has got you covered.

So check your calendar now and signup for a trip at our next meeting!
THINK SNOW!

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Rick Resh

MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND SOCIAL • January 12, 2016

The YSC next club meeting will be at
The Stone Grille on Saint Charles Way, beginning at 7:00 pm.

Come early to socialize and take advantage of the half price appetizers and happy hour drink specials from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm. Partial pre-trip information will be distributed for Innsbruck, Austria.

Guests are always welcome. Bring your checkbook for late season sign-ups.

GOT YSC HATS FOR SALE

The new 40th Anniversary Ski Club hats are available for sale. The khaki-colored baseball style cap and dark blue knit beanies are \$15.00 each (Cash or Check). Yes, after 40 years we're still going downhill.

INNSBRUCK, AUSTRIA

February 12-20, 2016

(Fri-Sat)

While we have made our final payment to the tour operator, we still have room for a single male or one couple. Contact Rick Resh (717-767-5951) by January 12, 2016. You must have a valid passport expiring after September 2016.

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. Non-ski members also plan to take sightseeing excursions (extra cost) everyday. Remember the package does not include lift tickets.

Please make your checks 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.

Partial trip packets will be available for distribution at the January 12, 2016 meeting. Details for pickup or distribution of airline ticket information will follow. Trip participants can also go to www.alphorntours.com homepage and click on the Travel Guard link at bottom of webpage to sign up for trip insurance. If you call Travel Guard directly at (800) 549-9037 you need to give Alphon Tours' agency code of 125081.

12th ANNUAL SKI4LIFE AT SKI ROUNDTOP

Saturday, February 6, 2016 – 9am – 3 pm

Skiers and snowboarders will send cancer downhill at the 12th Annual Ski4Life event hosted by the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS). Ski4Life is a 6-hour ski and snowboard marathon, where participants raise money for the LLS mission to cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma and improve the quality of life for patients and their families.

Registration starts at 7 am, with a kick-off at 8:40am and skiing at 9am. The skiing time has shortened from the original 24-hour marathon, but our generosity has not. By participating as individual or with a team, you can enjoy skiing and snowboarding while supporting a great cause! Ski4Life participants enjoy breakfast, lunch, snacks, and dinner provided by sponsors and friends of LLS.

To donate, go to <http://www.lls.org/pages/cpa/ski4life2016> and click on the name of any team or individual fundraiser you wish to support. For more information or assistance with registration, please contact the LLS Ski4Life Campaign Coordinator, Liane Battista at liane.battista@lls.org or 717-652-6520.

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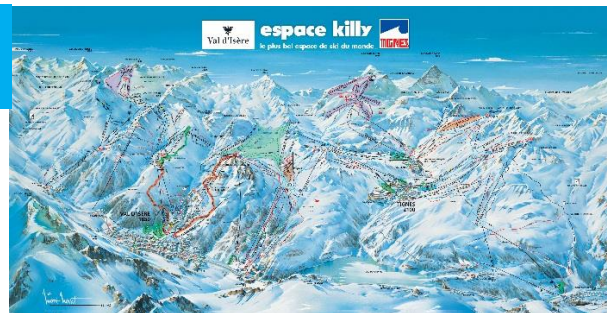


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VAL d'ISERE, FRANCE

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 Bellevarde 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'

REVISION TO THE FRANCE TRIP:

The optional trip has been changed to Lucerne, Switzerland. The dates and price are yet to be determined. Contact Mike Oberdick for details or see him at the club meeting.

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

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: _____

KILLINGTON, VT SPRING FLING • March 30 – April 2, 2016

This is not an April Fool's joke. Our Spring Fling Trip is to Killington, Vermont beginning Wednesday, March 30 through Sunday April 2, 2016. Trip includes three days of skiing at Beast of the East and lodging at the Pinnacle Condos, just a short drive to the Killington base area or Bear Mountain. Since this is a carpool trip, we may stop at Hunter Mountain or Ski Wyndham on the way to Vermont. The three day pass can also be used once at Okemo Mountain.

The trip package includes four nights, lodging and three days of lift tickets at Killington for \$ 495 per person/quad occupancy. Non-skiers may deduct \$180.

Send check payable to "York Ski Club" to Richard Resh, 1360 Briargate Drive, York, PA 17404.

Contact Rick at 717-767-5951 if any questions.

GREAT SAVINGS WITH THE VERMONT TRAVEL CLUB CARD

The "Vermont Travel Club" is the first membership based travel club that saves you up to 40% on your next ski or snowboard vacation. As a member of the Vermont Travel Club you will have exclusive access to discounts that are not available to the general public. The Vermont Travel Club card allows you to receive significant savings and discounts for lift tickets, lodging, and restaurants, at participating merchants. This list of businesses that accept the card has been growing since our inception, so please check out our website to see the current list.

Your "Vermont Travel Club" card also allows you to book all inclusive lodging and lift ticket packages.

Canaan, Timberline, and Wisp March 3-7, 2016

This economical 4 night trip includes lots of skiing and snowshoeing. Carpool with friends to the Deep Creek Lake area of Garrett County, Maryland to ski Wisp (on your own) on Thursday, March 3rd. Full day tickets cost \$49.00 (last years' price). After a day of skiing, make your way to Davis, West Virginia and check-in to the Deluxe Cottages at Canaan Valley Resort State Park. These 4 bedroom, 2 full bath cabins are complete with full kitchens, fireplaces, and cable television. Almost a million acres of wilderness and miles of trails for cross-country skiing and snowshoeing are just outside your front door. There is a convenient shuttle bus that stops at Canaan Resort and other places along the mountain road in case you get tired and want a lift back to the cabin.

We will ski Canaan and Timberline as a group (included in the price) and there will be an option to ski another day at Canaan on Monday for \$15.00 extra if you donate a can of food to their food drive. One day, we will lead a 3 hour tour for beginners and intermediates who want to try cross-country skiing. One option will be to purchase a \$7.00 (last years' pricing) single ride ticket to the top of Canaan and we will ski the backcountry to Whitegrass Ski Touring area a few miles away. Scott will

also lead a hearty group that will hike up from the bottom of the resort and meet up with the other group on top of Bald Mountain. Once we all arrive at Whitegrass, we will enjoy craft beer and wine and eat healthy food, while listening to rock and roll and watching backcountry powder skiing on their tv's.

For non-skiers, there is also plenty to do. Seneca Rocks is not too far away for a day trip and Blackwater Falls is a must-see in the winter. Ice skating, snow tubing and year-around horse-back riding are also very close to the Cabins. Visit the glass-blowing studio and take a class.

The trip cost is \$295.00 for 4 nights lodging and 2 lift tickets. This trip also has lots of options to keep you busy. A minimum of 14 and a maximum of 24 people will make this trip a success. Please join us, and bring a friend.

**For more information, contact
Chip Konrad at 858-1676 or
Scott Burford at 779-9141.**



Belleayre Mountain, NY January 29-31, 2016

We have 23 members signed up to return to the ever popular Belleayre Mountain and historic Colonial Inn. For those who have never been to Belleayre Mtn., it has a trail system that is suited for all ski levels. Its high base elevation means it gets more natural snow than other areas in the Catskills. Check out their website at www.belleayre.com for more information.

Trip signups are now closed, but if interested please contact the trip leader to be placed on the "Waiting List" in the event an unforeseen cancellation would surface.

Travel Day: Friday, January 29, 2016- members will carpool to Pine Hill, NY at their leisure. Some members will be doing some side trips along the way. Check in time at the Colonial Inn is 4pm. A pizza party will be held that night for the arrivals.

Lodging: The Colonial Inn & Restaurant is a rustic family style inn that was built in 1870. It has 12 cozy rooms with private baths, a very large TV and lounge area,

cocktail lounge and eclectic display of furnishings. Special arrangements can be made for those arriving on Thursday.

Meals: The package includes the pizza party on Friday night; breakfast on Saturday/Sunday; and the popular Saturday Evening Buffet Dinner from 6-9pm.

Summary: 2 Nights lodging (Fri/Sat); 1-day lift ticket (Sat) with an optional Sunday add-on; 2 Breakfasts (Sat/Sun); and Saturday evening buffet dinner(meal gratuity and room taxes included). Members are responsible for their own adult beverages.

**For more information on
Belleayre Mountain,
check out their website at
www.belleayre.com.**

**For more information about
the trip,
contact the trip Leader:
Scott Burford
burford87@yahoo.com
717-779-9141
or Shawn McEachern at
717-843-6883**

PLEASE CONSIDER Volunteering A Little Time.

The York Ski Club will be looking for a new Newsletter Editor. It only takes about 2 hours or less to put together. No writing involved. Articles are emailed from the Board Members. PDF Proofs are sent to president of the club.



**TRIP SOLD
OUT!!!!!!!**

BIG SKY MONTANA

BIG SKY, MONTANA

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA SKI COUNCIL WINTER CARNIVAL

JAN 16-23, 2016

Big Sky, here we come. It's hard to believe we are on our first ski trip of the season. Our weather in the east has not been skier friendly but don't fret there is plenty of snow out west. For those lucky YSC members on this trip, see you on January 16th at the airport. **EARLY Think Snow!!**

Just a reminder of what is waiting in January for our week in Big Sky!

- 7 nights lodging at the "ski in" Huntley Lodge w/ daily breakfast.
- Amenities include wet bar, coffee maker,refrig. TV, outdoor pool
- large jacuzzis room service, laundry, ice machines, vending & more.
- EPSC I/D - Credential Badge to all Participants
- Big Sky Resort Disc Coupons
- Welcome Party for all with drinks & d'oeuvres
- A full 5 of 6 day lift pass for all lifts including formerly Moonlight Basin
- EPSC Club Race w/Apres Race Pizza Lunch
- EPSC on Mountain fun event Monday & lite Dinner Thursday
- Gala Dinner Party & Dance on Tuesday at Big Sky Resort
- Baggage Handling at Resort

INFORMATION: Mary Amsbaugh 717-764-6145

EPSC DISCOUNT LIFT TICKET PROGRAM

A benefit of your ski club's membership is the opportunity to purchase lift tickets thru the Eastern Pennsylvania Ski Council (EPSC) to a variety of ski areas in the Poconos and New England ski areas at a substantial discount, such as: Big Boulder/ Jack Frost, Blue Mountain, Bear Creek, Elk Mountain, Montage, Bromley, Belleayre, Gore, Whiteface, Jay Peak, Killington, Mount Snow, Okemo, Pico, Stowe, Stratton, and Sugarbush. See EPSC website for more details or to download voucher request forms at

www.easternPAskicouncil.org.

Must have valid YSC Member ID Card!