

THE GREAT SCHUSS

LEXINGTON SKI & SPORTS CLUB/March, 2016

Members Meeting

March 1, 2016

At

Puccini's Smiling Teeth



Brighton Place

3090 Helmsdale Place
Lexington, KY, 40509

(at Man of War and Liberty Rd, behind Cheddar's and near Hamburg and I-75).

Social time will begin at 6:00 p.m.

Pizza and salads, as well as Italian dinners, and beer and wine are available for purchase.

The meeting starts at 7:00 p.m.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

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2016 SKI SEASON!



The 2016 OVSC and LSSC trips to Whitefish and Aspen-Snowmass are now completed and were a great success! There are still openings for the remaining trips to Alaska and Europe. If you are interested, contact the trip leader listed in the trip description that follows. The initial \$100 trip deposit may be made online at the LSSC website (<http://www.lexskisports.org/trips>) 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.

There are still openings on the Alaska and European trips:

Alyeska/Anchorage, Alaska
February 27 – March 5, 2016

Sölden, Austria
March 11 – 19, 2016

GREEK ISLES sampler with LSSC and OVSC
March 19 – 27, 2016

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: <http://www.lexskisports.org/trips>

August: \$100

September: \$200

October: \$200

November: \$200

December: \$200

January: \$249

Contact: Randy Napier, trixie1821@gmail.com

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 Gaislachkogel (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**: Gaislachkogel (3048m), Tiefenbachkogel (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 Gaislachkogel 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.

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 Oetztal 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 Gaislachkogel 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 igjones@uky.edu



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



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.

2016 SKI RACING!!

RACING SEASON IS HERE!

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
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SEE YOU IN THE GATES!!!



HAVING A BLAST!

2016 OVSC RACE SCHEDULE

Perfect North race time: Saturday 9:30am, Sunday 9:30am

Paoli Peaks race time: Saturday 10:00AM, Sunday 9:30AM

Mad River race time: 9:30am

Snow Trails race time: 9:00am

Race times are tentative. Cancellations can occur due to weather - confirm with Race Director.

Check in lodge or race hut upon arrival.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location/Format</u>	<u>Host Club</u>	<u>Lift Ticket</u>
January 2	Mad River, OH -	Columbus	Purchase at group sales, must be on roster.
January 3	Mad River, OH -		
January 9	Snow Trails, OH		
January 10	Snow Trails, OH		
January 17	MLK weekend No OVSC racing		
January 18			
January 23	Paoli Peaks IN - two GS		
January 24	Paoli Peaks IN - two GS		
January 30	Mad River, OH – MR OPEN	Columbus	
January 31	Mad River, OH – MR OPEN Figure 11, GS		
February 6	No racing		
February 7	Perfect North Slopes, IN – KING OF THE HILL All 4 race formats, 1 run each		
February 13	Snow Trails, OH		
February 14	Snow Trails, OH		
February 20	Paoli Peaks IN - two GS		
February 21	Paoli Peaks IN - two GS		
February 27	Perfect North Slopes, IN – Super Nastar - Cincinnati		
February 28	Perfect North Slopes, IN - Mike Robben Memorial Race		
March 4-6	West Virginia Governors Cup Race		
March 24-27	NASTAR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS - Steamboat, CO		
	<u>Race formats (GS, SL, etc.) are subject to conditions and course availability</u>		

Lodging

Mad River

Comfort Inn, Bellefontaine, OH - Jan 2-3

Paoli

Comfort Inn, French Lick, IN

Snow Trails

Quality Inn (Belleville) Manchester, OH

CONGRATULATIONS TO LSSC RACING WINNERS!!!

PERFECT NORTH -QUEEN OF THE HILL



Dianna Miller (Lady Di) takes the Bronze in the 2016 Queen of The Hill at Perfect North!

MAD RIVER OPEN



Mark (Mad Dog) Miller WON his Division in the Figure 11 Downhill at Mad River Mountain Open!

REMINDER: SKI CLUB SOCIAL

February 20, 2016

Soup Party



Time: 6:30 pm

Bring your own beverage and, if you wish, a side to share that goes with soup.

Location: Linda Gorman's House

419 Westerfield Way, Lexington

(859) 275-1260

IT WAS A PERFECT DAY AT PERFECT NORTH!!!

On January 30, 2016, The Lexington Ski and Sports Club (LSSC) and The Bluegrass Cycling Club (BCC) jointly hosted an outing to ski/snowboard/tube at Perfect North slopes! The group included snowboarders and skiers of all levels from beginners to seasoned veterans. A mild, clear day and good snow cover provided great conditions. In fact, by afternoon it was warm enough to ski in shirtsleeves!!

Thanks to Howard Glauert and Laurie Roberts for their work in organizing a wonderful outing!





MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

April 1, 2016 LSSC Social

Pazzo's Pizza Pub

385 S. Limestone

Lexington, KY

859-255-5125

Time: 6:30 pm



Downstairs Bar

Hand-tossed pizza, calzones, sandwiches, soup & salad are available for purchase.

47 Beers on tap

65+ Bourbons/Whiskies

Board Notes



CALL FOR NOMINATIONS



Are you interested in serving on the LSSC board?? Nominations should be submitted for board positions before the March meeting. A slate of candidates will be presented in March and voting will take place at the April meeting. If you plan to nominate someone else, *please check with them* prior to submitting their name. Please submit nominations to Janet Jones (president-elect) at jgjones@uky.edu, by the end of February.

Board Positions:

- PRESIDENT – ELECT
- SECRETARY
- EXEC VP
- TREASURER
- SOCIAL
- MEMBERSHIP
- WEB MASTER
- NEWSLETTER

The next board meeting will be held March 9, 2016 at Linda Gorman's house. Members may attend any meeting of the board by notifying any board member in advance. Contact Linda at lsgorm0@uky.edu for directions if you would like to attend.

LSSC Officers and Directors 2015-16

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