THE GREAT SCHUSS

LEXINGTON SKI & SPORTS CLUB

October, 2016

Members Meeting
October 4, 2016
At Roosters

124 Marketplace Dr., Lexington

(off Man of War, just west of Nicholasville Rd.)

Social time will begin at 6:00 P.M.

Food, beer and wine are available for purchase.

THE MEETING STARTS AT 7:00 P.M.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

DAN GEIGER OCT. 11

TERRY ESRAEL OCT. 17

DON DANCE OCT. 28

2017 SKI SEASON!!

News from the Executive Vice President

The Western and European trips for the 2017 ski season have now been set by the board of the LSSC. The trips and dates are as follows:

Big Sky, Montana: January 22-29, 2017

Park City, Utah: February 25 -

March 4, 2017

Engelberg, Switzerland, March 11-

20, 2017

See attached trip fliers for more information.



BIG SKY, MONTANA



PARK CITY, UTAH

Snow Sport Specifics in Brief!!

Four ski areas make up the Engelberg resort...

Titlis Area-

2000 meters of altitude difference of slopes and trails, great snow conditions well into spring, breathtaking Alpine surroundings: three aspects that make the Engelberg-Titlis Ski Area the special place it is. It's one of the largest ski areas in Central Switzerland with no less than 25 lifts and means of uphill transport. Boasting 82 km of slopes, the Engelberg-TITLIS ski area offers plenty of variety. The total route length for downhill skiing and snowboarding is 82 kilometres. The incline length (downhill route) is 55 kilometres. Within the system of 82 km of slopes, there are downhill runs for the ,pros' as well as 3 slopes for beginners. Glacial slopes at 3'000 m above sea level make skiing possible from October till May - there's always snow!

Outdoor sports + fresh air = hunger: There are plenty of restaurants to choose from to take care of that! Italian pasta, French fries or classic Swiss ,Älplermagronen' - or whatever dish it takes to recharge winter athletes so that they're ready to hit the slopes again for more thrilling downhill runs.

A tip: the downhill run to the valley is the longest stretch - covering a distance of 12 km with an altitude difference of 2'000 m. What a perfect way to wrap up a day on the slopes! There are red, bue, blaclk, and yellow sloped. Beginners and professional – nobody gets bored here!

Brunni – the Sunny Side of Engelberg

Enjoy 7 kilometers of well-prepared trails and the sunniest slopes for skiing and snowboarding in Central Switzerland on the brunni. Psst! A little secret: black-marker Schonegg-Piste offers one of the prettiest views of the mountains surrounding Engelberg

The Bannalp Area it the jewel in the crown of the canton of Nidwalden. With its unspoiled nature, snowy landscapes, fresh mountain air, this is the perfect >>>

ENGELBERG, SWITZERLAND

March 11 - 20, 2017

Engelberg is, according to a recent cover story in Powder Magazine, is Switzerland's best kept secret! Now the largest ski resort in Central Switzerland, Engelberg has plenty of slopes for both experienced and inexperienced skiers and snowboarders, as well as a wide range of offpiste attractions.

Formerly quiet monastery village, Engelberg became a modern winter sports center with international guests. If you go skiing in Engelberg, you will find a variety of different slopes between Brunni and Jochpass. The old mountain village is the largest family winter sports resort in Central Switzerland. Some 2,000 m in altitude and 12 km on foot separate the peak of the Titlis from the valley below. Many lifts serve the snowy pistes, offering numerous descents of varying difficulty for skiers, snowboarders and telemarkers. The ski resort Engelberg also includes a terrain park with halfpipe.

What's Included ...

- Airfare Lexington Zurich Lexington on Delta Airlines
- Ground transportation Zurich Engelberg Zurich
- English-speaking guide on the bus
- Seven nights at the three-star Hotel Terrace at the resort
- Daily breakfast buffet at the hotel with hot and cold options
- Dinner nightly at the hotel (three-course meal with included wine and/or beer) choice of two restaurants
- Welcome wine and cheese reception with resort orientation
- Use of wellness / spa facility with sauna, steam room and relaxation area at the hotel
- Free WiFi
- Local guide assistance
- Fuel charges / air taxes / local taxes / luggage handling tips
- Many optional day tours
- Six day lift ticket (\$327 value)
- Daily ski guide (\$600+ value)
- One night in Zurich at the four star Swissotel
- Breakfast in Zurich



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

place to wind down and replenish your energy. The Bannalp has two family-friendly ski lifts for gentle skiing and snowboarding descents. The six blue and one red slope ensure skiing fun for all ages.

The Gerschnialp Area boasts enchanting mountain panoramas and excellent skiing conditions for families and beginners. The Gerschnialp offers the perfect conditions for beginners to master their skiing or snowboarding technique and have plenty of fun in the process. The beginners' area is 1,300 metres above sea level, so there will still be enough snow at Easter for attempting initial descents and working on technique.



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 Central Switzerland. There are some of the finest "hautes routes" in the Eastern Alps. 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
 - Paragliding and hang-gliding Sledding
- Ski Mountaineering
- Excursions and Snowshoeing
 Swimming
- Snow tubing
- Snowshoeing
- Winter hiking

Engelberg Ski Area

- 9908 ft Summit
- 6436 ft Vertical
- 3444 Resort Altitude

Features of Engelberg Area

- 51 miles of pistes (33% intermediate, 57% advanced, 10% expert)
- 1 terrain parks
- 82 acres of skiable terrain
- 21 miles of snowmaking
- night skiing
- longest run 7 miles
- 22 lifts and cable cars

Four ski areas....

- · Titlis
- · Brunni
- Bannako
- Gerschnialp

Pricing is only \$2,599 for all this! Remember that pricing is not final until ticketing due to fluctuations in currency rates and airline surcharges/taxes.

Payment Schedule (by check)

\$650
\$650
\$650
\$649



OVSC/LSSC Trip to Big Sky Jan. 22-29, 2017

(Sunday—Sunday)



The Biggest Skiing in America is the sensation of endless terrain under an expansive big sky where guests come to leave crowds and traffic behind, lapping ski runs with hardly a wait. Big Sky Resort is big with four mountains connected by chair lifts providing families and friends of different skiing abilities a magnitude of intertwined terrain levels, notably the desired steeps the Lone Peak Tram accesses. Powder stashes are continually found throughout Big Sky due to the consistent snowfall in the Northern Rockies with a natural fall-line back to the village base. Acres trump skiers boasting about two acres per skier as they disburse over the inbound landscape.

Elevation

Summit (Lone Peak) - 11,166 feet Base (Mountain Village) - 7,500 feet

Ski Terrain

5,800 acres

300 named runs on 4 connected mountains.

Vertical Drop

4,350 feet

Lifts

Chair Lifts: 23 Surface Lifts: 11

Longest Run

Liberty Bowl to Mountain Mall: 6 miles

Average Lift Line

Consistently recognized in national ski magazines for short or non-existent lines.

Average Winter Daytime Temperature

25° F

Average Annual Snowfall

400+ inches

(from bigskyresort.com)

Payment Schedule				
	Payments via Check	Payments via Paypal		
August	\$100	\$100		
September	\$435	\$450		
October	\$435	\$450		
November	\$435	\$450		
December	\$334	\$339		
Total Cost	\$1,739	\$1,789		

Package includes:

- RT Airfare between Lexington, KY and Bozeman, MT on United Airlines
- Ground transfers
- 7 nights lodging at the Big Horn Condominiums
 - 3 Bedroom/3 Bath units, 6 per unit
- 5 day lift ticket
- OVSC goodies
 - Welcome party
 - Race
 - Mountain Lunch
 - Poker Run
 - Awards Dinner

For more information contact: Ray Clark, rayclark138@aol.com, 859-552-5920

PARK CITY, UTAH LSSC

February 25 – March 4, 2017



America's Largest Single Ski And Snowboard Resort

Located in the heart of Park City, only a 35-minute drive from Salt Lake City International Airport. During summer 2015, the Resort undertook the largest resort improvement project in the history of American skiing, one that linked it with neighbor Canyons Resort to create the United States' largest ski area. P ark City is an easily accessible, world-class mountain destination located in an authentic & historic western town.

www.parkcitymountain.com

- ✓ Over 7,300 acres of skiable terrain and a good mix of beginner, intermediate and advanced terrain.
- ✓ 300+ trails, 38 lifts, seven terrain parks, 14 bowls, six natural half pipes, one super pipe and one mini pipe.

TRIP INCLUDES

Air Transportation

Non-stop flights on Delta Cincinnati to Salt Lake City

Ground Transportation:

Le Bus: Round trip ground transportation to and from the airport on a chartered 28 passenger bus.

Le Bus: Round trip ground transportation to/from Snowbird for a day of skiing.

Lift Tickets

Park City Canyons 3 of 5 days
Deer Valley 1 day lift ticket
Snowbird 1 day lift ticket & transportation to Snowbird

Lodging

Park Avenue Condominiums 7 NIGHTS

Conveniently located on Park City's free city-wide transportation route—1/2 mile to the lifts and within walking distance to many restaurants, shops and grocery stores.

TRIP COST:

PAYMENT VIA CHECK \$1729.00 PAYMENT VIA PAYPAL \$1779.00

	Payment Schedule		Payment Schedule
August	\$100.00	August	\$100.00
September	\$340.00	September	\$350.00
October	\$340.00	October	\$350.00
November	\$340.00	November	\$350.00
December	\$340.00	December	\$350.00
January	\$269.00	January	\$279.00

Contact: Jan Clark, jclark@icj-ky.org

TRAVEL INFORMATION - TRIP INSURANCE

Notes on Trip Insurance....

Members often ask about getting travel insurance for a trip. Although it does add a bit to the trip cost, it can well be worth it should an accident happen, if you need to cancel at the last minute, or if luggage goes astray! (Although we hope this will NOT happen, sometime insurance really pays for itself)

Although insurance is not offered as part of an LSSC package, there are several ways to purchase it. Included below are several websites that discuss travel insurance as well as websites where you may compare prices and coverage. Pricing is based on amount and type coverage desired, length and cost of the trip, the destination to which you are traveling, the age of the participant, and the state of residence of the participant. In talking with numerous club members, we have used quite a selection of offerings.

Coverage is available for pre-existing conditions, cancellations, traveling companion cancellations, and medical needs, as well as numerous other needs and situations.

General information about travel insurance can be found at:

http://www.ricksteves.com/plan/tips/insurance.htm

http://www.frommers.com/articles/225.html

http://www.fodors.com/search/results.html?search=%22travel+insurance%22&submit=

http://www.usatoday.com/travel/news/2006-10-16-medicare-travelers-abroad_x.htm

Pricing comparisons can be found (no significance to the order of the list!) at:

www.insuremytrip.com/

www.travelguard.com/

www.tinleg.com > new provider this year

www.1travelinsurance.com

www.quotewright.com

www.travelex-insurance.com/

In addition to the information above, you can also purchase insurance through the National Ski Council Federation (NSCF) at a reduced rate! (By being a member of the Lexington Ski and Sports Club, you are a member of NSCF. There are other additional benefits you may want to check out as well!)

To view the insurance available through NSCF, go to http://skifederation.org and follow the information there. (Note: you will need to create a member record - member ID and password - to access this: note this has changed from last year.) You might want to use the one of the comparison features above, then check out the NCSF discount. They offer two different providers.

For the last five years many Lexington skiers used an insurance company – Travel Protectors - that works with several other OVSC clubs and offers very competitive rates if we purchase as a group, especially for medical only coverage. Rates are based on trip price and type of coverage. The attached information sheet/application form shows the price based on trip cost and coverage.

Last year Travel Protectors offered a \$35 flat rate, for any trip cost, coverage for medical expense coverage up to \$50K for emergency medical coverage and \$250K for emergency medical evacuation, plus \$750 total (\$150 per day maximum) trip delay for meals and lodging due to bad weather, \$400 for baggage delayed 24 hours, \$1500 if lost permanently, and \$500 return airfare in case of misconnections and/or bad weather. This is a no-brainer – at least to me! The trip cancellation benefit is not included with the \$35.

Trip cancellation insurance is more, but worth it if you have aging parents, potential work problems, or health issues that may – at the last minute - preclude travel. This includes a 100% refund of trip cost if you cancel, up to 150% refund of the trip cost for trip interruption, plus all the benefits included in the \$35 policy above. .

Do not hesitate to call if you have questions about coverage or getting insurance. You will need to contact Travel Protectors directly – either using the attached form, their online application, on by phone - to purchase their insurance

If you do get insurance from any vendor, please forward the company name and policy number to trip leader: that way I'll have the information handy should anything happen – even lost and/or delayed luggage. (Any of you who were on the OVSC trip to Spain some years back remember the lost/late luggage......!)

......excerpts from an email to international trip participants in 2016 Questions?? Janet Graham Jones / 859.420.5016 / jgjones@uky.edu

MEMBERSHIP





TIME TO JOIN OR RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN LSSC

Join or renew by visiting the LSSC web site or attending the October 4 member meeting.

Dues are \$40.00 per year and may be paid online or by check.

Please be sure to *sign the member waiver* located on the back of the application.



Completed applications can be returned to Cecile McKinney (membership chairperson) at the meeting or mailed to the club's P.O. Box (see website).



SOCIAL



OCTOBER 7, 2016 6:30 P.M.

This month's social will be at Marikka's Restaurant (not the Bier Stube). German beer and food are available for purchase and there will be music from Der Wiener Schnitzel German Musicmakers, a local band. It is necessary to make reservations, so please *RSVP* by October 6th to Linda Gorman (<u>Isgorm0@uky.edu</u>) or Howard Glauert (<u>hglauert@uky.edu</u>).

Come join the festivities!!!

Marikkas

411 Southland Dr.

Lexington



SAVE THE DATE!!

SKI CLUB SOCIAL

OCTOBER 28, 2016

at

Oak Springs Grill (Fayette Mall)

6:30 P.M.

BOARD NOTES



The next board meeting will be held October 11, 2016. Members may attend any meeting of the board by notifying any board member in advance. Contact a board member for the meeting location if you would like to attend.

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