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A Message From Our President

By Tere Mayne

CHANGE IS COMING

I can tell we are off to another wonderful year full of change and excitement. The board just finished the first meeting of the year where we set in place some new goals for our future. Our first delegate meeting also is history with several new faces and fresh ideas on how we can transform and grow as an organization. Yes, I can tell change is in the air!

As we start this year, change is in the works for our membership. Sadly, we are saying goodbye to a club that has been involved with the TSC for over twenty years – Capital Downhill Skiers. The club will be missed for sure, but a new club is forming to take its place – Capital Ski and Adventure Club, whose mission is to provide reasonably priced organized ski and travel adventure trips to active people regardless of their age, from the very young to the seasoned traveler. Please give their new president, Shannon Owen a warm welcome to our group when you see her.

Another change that is being worked on is how we conduct our club and individual races. Although the final details are still being ironed out, the gist of the change is we will no longer have a dedicated race course for our races. Our racers will use the public race course during the hours open to the public. A specified date and time will be set for those who want to participate in the racing. Clubs will still compete for division awards as will the individual racers. The goal is to eliminate or seriously minimize costs as well as the time commitment of organizing them for both the trip VP and the club participants. Stay tuned for updates on the final changes to this process.

Even though change is in the air, there, however, has been very little change in the membership of the board from last year. A couple of significant changes I want to mention are our two new Expedition Coordinators and Secretary. We do welcome back VaNisha Mallory as the Expedition Coordinator for our summer trip to South Africa as our one new addition to the board. VaNisha has served on the TSC board several years ago and as her club VP of Trips so I know the South African trip is in seasoned hands. Ross Baker is handing over the reins of Secretary to Marsha Lutz, to be our Winter Expedition Coordinator to Garmisch, Germany. Ross is already getting settled into his new role. And Marsha is keeping us all on track as the new Secretary. I am confident all three will serve our membership well this next year.

The board is off and running on getting the website updated for all our trips and various activities. Please view it at: texas-ski.org. Let me or any officer know if you see a problem link as it is changing a lot



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at this time of year. Gary Roth is working on our Marketing Update for our industry partners so we can show them how valuable the Texas market is to the ski travel industry. George Kelly is maintaining our books to ensure we stay in budget as we implement our goals for the year. Mike Morris is coordinating the race rule changes for us as well as keeping the sponsorships updated. Our trip VPs – Linda Raymer, Camille LaRoe and Derlyn Gordon are all busy getting site inspections planned and questions answered. The enthusiasm and commitment of all the officers is evident in the manner in which they are already responding to assure that the clubs of the Texas Ski Council have the best year ever.

After reading all the wonderful comments about our last Ski BidFest meeting in April, I want to thank the committee chair, Peggy Montgomery, and her committee for the hard work they did. The event ran smoothly and the food was the best we have had in years. Also assisting her were: Debbie Rima with Lone Star Ski Club with Delegate and Guest registration; Linda Raymer and Kevin Juhl both with Austin Skiers doing technical support, and I worked vendor registration. For the first time, the TSC accepted credit cards as payments for the meeting and auction items. This was no small feat as it took much work by several people to pull it off both before and during the meeting. In addition, volunteers from all the clubs and all of the TSC officers pitched in and worked the meeting as well. A big **THANK YOU** goes out to all of you. We cannot survive without the dedication and support of our members.

In closing, I want to express my gratitude to several people who worked hard for the council this past year. Christine Augustine has led so many of our TSC ski and expedition trips over the past several years with such organization and grace. Thank you for a job well done.

One thing that never seems to change as long as I have been associated with this organization is trying to figure out how I can go on all these fantastic trips being offered this year. But alas I only have so much vacation time and money so I will just have to pick one or maybe two. As I read these trip articles, the decision doesn't get easier. I guess I'll just have to flip a coin as they all sound like a great place to ski or visit. Until next time, keep up the good work.

2013 Wrap-Up TSC Final Showdown – Big Sky, Montana

March 9-16, 2013 – By Camille LaRoe, VP Final Showdown

A small but enthusiastic group of 70 Texans led by JoAnn Cox from Dallas Ski Club and Candace Tenbrick from Space City Ski Club set out for the Final Showdown of 2013 in Big Sky, Montana. But alas, Mother Nature tried to dampen their spirits with threats of a white out in Denver on route to Bozeman. Mother Nature obviously didn't know who she was dealing with, because by hook or by crook, these Texans were going to get to Big Sky. Dallas got the news on Friday night that their flight was already being cancelled from Denver to Bozeman on Saturday. JoAnn was going to put the Dallas group on a bus for the final leg if she had to. She was going to Big Sky! Saturday found TSC groups spread out in airports across the country waiting for that next flight, some even spending the night in California before reaching their final destination! Three Space City travelers didn't make it to Big Sky until Monday but they were upbeat despite the circumstances! Many Dallas participants didn't arrive until Sunday morning, so ski days were shortened a bit on Sunday due to everyone's change in schedule. Space City and Dallas worked together as a TSC family to get all parties from the Bozeman airport to the resort and it was great to see club helping club, friend helping friend and everyone coming together in the face of chaos. At last, Dallas and most of Space City arrived at the Huntley Lodge and the Stillwater Condos to get settled in and enjoy a great welcome party at the Lodge on Sunday evening! The welcome party featured complimentary beer and wine with a great appetizer buffet including California rolls and hamburger sliders! Things were starting to look up and we could all see a great week before us once again.

On Monday morning those staying at the Huntley Lodge partook of their famed breakfast buffet before moving out to the slopes. It had snowed lightly during the early morning, but the sun soon came out. Except for some nasty wind gusts, conditions were great. Many good skiing stories were told in Chet's Bar at the Happy Hour before people went their separate ways for dinner.

The week ahead held opportunities for everyone to satisfy their idea of a great ski vacation! Big Sky offered complimentary guided mountain tours twice daily for "blue skiers". These tours last almost two hours and give newcomers a good overview of the mountain and the opportunity to ski with locals who are volunteer guides. Dallas and Space City took advantage of this offer to find their favorite spots to



explore on their own during the week. Space City brought 10 children and young people to enjoy their Spring Break at Big Sky. Candace's daughter Ava took advantage of the TSC Youth Foundation's offer of \$150.00 reimbursement by participating in three days of lessons at the mountain. While Kathy Quigley's girls, Alexandra and Elizabeth raced down the slopes trying to wear out Christine Augustine at speeds of over 40 mph!

Groups from both Dallas and Space City took one free day to explore the beauty of Yellowstone National Park. A large part of the Dallas group boarded a bus to the town of West Yellowstone, MT while some from SCSC caravanned over for a day of exploration. Some boarded a snow coach (a minibus Ford Expedition base with the wheels replaced by caterpillar-like tracks), while others mounted snowmobiles and all quickly entered the park and crossed the state line into Wyoming. The groups were treated to views of wapiti (elk), numerous herds of bison cows and their young, a few solitary bull bison, and even a grizzly bear of considerable size! Not to be missed were the major sights in the park as Old Faithful and the thermal park of geysers, thermal pools, steam vents, and mud pools. No injuries occurred, but there was one damaged snowmobile when one of Dallas' aggressive skiers found that his skiing skills did not transfer to the motorized variety of transport.



Wednesday found both clubs competing for bragging rights on TSC Race Day. DSC fielded 26 racers while SCSC entered 16. Surprise Division!! We like to keep everyone happy! Despite the low volume of competitors everyone still enjoyed the chance to challenge the pacesetter and their best buddy! DSC walked away with 1 gold, 6 silver, and 8 bronze medals while SCSC scored 1 gold, 3 silver, and 5 bronze medals. Big Sky Resort then treated the entire TSC group to a great BBQ lunch in the Huntley dining room. We feasted on hamburgers, chicken and all the fixings complete with desserts for the sweet tooth! All and all Wednesday was also turning out to be a sweet day! Wednesday evening featured a little more competition at Happy Hour with a Big Sky Trivia contest! While the adults scored the points we decided to let the kids be the beneficiaries of prizes donated by Big Sky. Each child present took home a book detailing the history behind the names of all the Big Sky runs!



Dallas Ski Club



As the ski week was winding down some enjoyed the adventure of traveling up the Lone Peak Tram to the experience of a lifetime at an 11,166 feet summit and views of two national parks, three states and many mountain ranges. Getting down might not have been the experience of a lifetime so I left that trip to those braver than I. Others ventured over to the slopes of Moonlight Basin and also enjoyed some great dining at Moonlight. Big Sky was able to provide a great ski experience no matter your skill. Friday many hit the slopes early for their last day. To their surprise and delight, they found firm snow as the weather forecast had been for above freezing temps and bright sunlight.

Friday evening our group of 70 from DSC and Space City came together



once again for a Final Banquet and Awards dinner. We were treated to great array of Italian Food, more hosted beer and wine and a DJ that played until the last bodies had to be forced off the dance floor at the end of the night! Division winners were awarded plaques and medals were hung around proud necks! Many photos were taken to remember our week together after we returned back to Texas! One final note for those of you who weren't able to join us in Big Sky for Final Showdown, you really missed out, we had a blast, living big in Big Sky!



2012 - 2013 TSC Race Results

By Billy Lynum – TSC Race Director

Our races this year were a little out of the ordinary, especially on the Fall Roundup and Final Showdown Weeks -the difference being that on both of these trips only two clubs went. Austin Skiers and Los Amigos were in Vail

and Space City and Dallas Ski Club went to Big Sky for Final Showdown. With only two clubs participating at Vail it was decided that no races would be held due to the expense. At Big Sky even though there were only two clubs participating, the races were held, as cost did not come into play. The races were held

as usual at Traditional (Steamboat) and Telluride (Winter Shootout). Of the three races held, there were a total of 293 club racers who entered the course, of which, 288 finished. Of all the racers who entered the course, only 5 failed to finish. That's a great percentage in anyone's book. In the individual races there were a total of 89 racers entered, of which only 5 did not complete at least one run. This is also a very good percentage for a group of skiers from Texas in anyone's book.

Next year there will be a different format for our races which is being worked on by your TSC Board. When this is finalized, every club will be notified and hopefully, everyone will be pleased with the results.

THE ORDER OF FINISH OF THE TEXAS CUP

Division I

1st place -- Space City
 2nd place -- Austin Skiers
 3rd place -- Los Amigos
 4th place -- Lone Star

Division II

1st place -- Clear Lake
 2nd place -- Armadillo
 3rd place -- Twisters

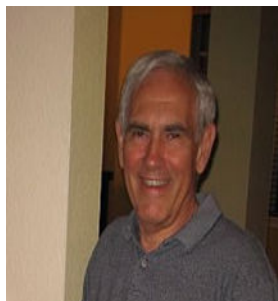
Division III

1st place -- Dallas Young at Hearts
 2nd place -- Capital Downhillers

Marketing Update

**By Gary Roth,
 VP Marketing**

I am pleased to be serving a second year as the VP of Marketing for the TSC. I served on the TSC Board for several years in the past and have been the chairperson of several Council committees. I have been an active member of Austin Skiers since 2000. During that time I was the VP of Trip Planning and the VP of Trips three times each and the President twice. I participated on their trip planning committee and have been a board member every year since 2001. Before moving to Austin, I was a marketing executive for 20 years with FedEx, Cigna Insurance and GE.



I have many duties as the Marketing VP for the TSC. I can best describe my role as the liaison between the travel industry (resorts, tour operators and suppliers) and the clubs in the Council.

My primary duties include:

- **Prepare and distribute the Request for Proposals (RFP).** The RFP's let our travel industry partners know what kind of trips we will consider, the deadlines for bids and the policies and procedures that we want in order to give them full consideration. Complying with our policies and procedures helps us choose the best trips for the members of our clubs.
- **Chair the Pre-Select Committee.** The committee is comprised of representatives from four clubs plus two at-large

members from TSC clubs and the VP of Marketing. The committee reviews all the bids and selects the best to make presentations at the Bid. The committee tries to balance trips between new, exciting destinations and Council favorites. The committee is always on the lookout for trips that are a good value for our members.

- **Coordinate the FAM Trips.** When tour operators and/or resorts offer a familiarization (FAM) trip to the Council, I forward the offer to the clubs and ensure that participants meet the criteria, fulfill their duties and represent the Council.
- **Compile and publish the annual Marketing Survey.** Each year the clubs provide information about the trips they conducted. I analyze the information and write a report that shows the destinations and the amount of money spent by members of the TSC clubs. The report is distributed to our clubs and our travel industry partners.

We are very excited to be traveling to the following destinations selected by our member clubs:

- Ireland in September 2013
- Park City, UT in January 2014
- Garmisch Germany in January 2014
- Jackson Hole, WY in February 2014
- Keystone, CO in March 2014
- South Africa in the summer of 2014

I look forward to finding more great trips for 2015 and to serving our members.

TSC Traditional – Park City, Utah

January 4-11, 2014

By Linda Raymer, VP Traditional



OVER 8000 COMBINED SKIABLE ACRES!!!!!!

What a fabulous way to kick off a new year.....with family and friends in Park

City, Utah!! The reasons to ski Park City are as plentiful as the snow that blankets its ski resort – most notably, the fact that it is home to the Greatest Snow on Earth®. With a fun and plentiful après ski scene and phenomenal skiing, an amazing vacation awaits you at this charming, easy-to-reach ski resort.



I am Linda Raymer, your Traditional Texas Ski Week VP for 2013-14. I am a member of Austin Skiers & Boarders and served on that board for eight years and also served



as TSC webmaster for eight years. I enjoy organizing trips and activities and creating a smooth running and fun experience for everyone.

I've met many of you at previous TSC trips/events and look forward to working with TSC clubs to plan an unforgettable experience in Park City for 2014. This will be my third trip to lead for the Council. In 2012, I was VP of Winter Shootout in Heavenly, and again VP of Fall Roundup to Vail. Each trip brought new friends, new adventures and new fun!

We'll have lots of unique opportunities in Utah. Nine TSC clubs are converging on Park City to rock their world! Park City, Deer Valley and the Canyons are available to us as we configure our lift tickets. And a new development awaits Epic Pass holders, because Vail Resorts just announced that they leased The Canyons for the upcoming season. So polish off your season Epic Pass!



Park City has a state-of-the-art snowmaking system that guarantees a fabulous skiing experience. Also, if you're planning on hitting the slopes for 4 days or more, the Silver Passport gives you the option of skiing interchangeably between Park City, Deer Valley, and The Canyons. Zip around between mountains and all around town by accessing the convenient free town shuttle that provides transportation between all 3 mountains and downtown Park City.

Ski all day-party all night! You party animals will be happy to know that Park City's nightlife consistently ranks among the top of the nation's ski resorts. Its historic Main Street has a unique charm that originates from its flamboyant mining town days, and is where you'll find hundreds of shops, restaurants, bars and clubs to choose from during your stay. Rich in tradition and fun, you'll see why the Park City ski resort has been dubbed "the heart of American skiing".

Non-skier? No problem! Plenty of non-skiing activities abound!

Following in the TSC tradition for lots of opportunities to gather with friends from across Texas, we will have daily après ski, TSC Welcome Event, Races, Dinner/Dance/Awards there are a host of optional choices.

Here are just some of the snow activities and non-skiing choices at our fingertips!

- An array of bars & restaurants! Hey, it's Park City!
- Skier's Choice of lift tickets from Park City, Deer Valley & Canyons (4 or more day ticket)
- Mountain Tours for all level skiers
- Discounted lessons & rentals
- Nordic skiing, snowshoeing, tubing, snowmobiling, ziplining
- Wine tasting
- Shopping, shopping, shopping!

Getting around town will be a breeze! Park City has an extensive complimentary shuttle service. The shuttle leaves every few minutes from all major lodging properties to mountain locations and around town and to all three mountains.

The TSC is happy to partner with Sports America to create an unforgettable "Traditional" experience in 2014. Join us by coming with your club, or use reciprocity to travel with another TSC club.

Let's drum up a great cadre of snow enthusiasts to travel to Park City, our January playground!



TSC Winter Expedition 2014*Garmisch
Partenkirchen***Main Trip: January 24-31, 2014**

I am Ross Baker, your TSC Winter Coordinator for Garmisch-Partenkirchen 2014.

I am a native Houstonian, and hold graduate and master's degrees from the three major Houston universities. I have been enjoying skiing since my days at Rice some 39 years ago. I am a fairly new member of Space City Ski Club, having joined in 2001. And, I am glad I discovered this group! I met my beautiful and vivacious wife, Diane, through the people and activities of the club. At

SCSC, I have been VP of Publications twice, TSC Delegate, and run a few trips. And, of course, with TSC, I was the Secretary for 3 years.

In the work world, I have worn many hats. These range widely from being a carpenter, IRS auditor, electrician, electrical designer, electrical engineer in the pollution control industry, broadcast radio engineer, broadcast radio sports producer, commercial building contractor, real estate management and VP of a Life Insurance Company.

My hobbies are similarly varied. Besides skiing, these include computers, ebaying, photography, RV camping, bicycling, boating, water skiing, bowling, amateur radio, gardening, scuba diving and raising two boys: not necessarily in order of importance!

I am excited to be coordinating this fabulous trip along with our tour partner, Holiday Tours. Presently, we know that the extensions will be to Berlin and Prague, not necessarily in that order. We look forward to travelling with you soon!

***TSC Winter Shootout – Jackson Hole, WY*****February 8-15, 2014****By Camille LaRoe, VP Winter Shootout**

I am Camille LaRoe, your TSC VP of Winter Shootout 2013/2014. I am very excited to be leading 200 Texas Skiers to the best ski trails in Wyoming, Jackson Hole!

Jackson Hole has the natural terrain, big vertical (4100 ft) and untracked snow of the great ski resorts of the Alps, with the light dry powder of the Rockies. It has retained its own character, authenticity, and friendliness over the years. The layout of Jackson Hole has been refined to make the hill amenable to skiers of all levels. Beginners have wide open groomed terrain while advanced and expert skiers could live at JH and still never "know" Jackson Hole. There are great Après Ski locations at every turn and we will bring our own Texas stamp with great TSC parties, a pub crawl, wine tasting, races and events throughout the week.

I am a member of Space City Ski Club, joining in 1998 and have made a lifetime of friends in Houston, and because of the TSC, throughout the state. I started out volunteering at events for Space City and gradually became more involved by serving first as our



Director of PR, then VP of Activities and finally as President in 2009 and subsequently on our Board of Directors the following two years. I was Assistant Trip Coordinator in 2011 on the TSC trip to Snowmass and served as the SCSC TSC delegate. As a delegate I got to see how all the clubs come together in this great organization. I had the pleasure of chairing BidFest for the TSC in 2011 and again in 2012. My exposure to the members and officers of the TSC as a delegate and working with BidFest made me want to play a bigger role in this great group of people! Subsequently I joined the TSC Board in 2012 as VP of Final Showdown to Big Sky, Montana.

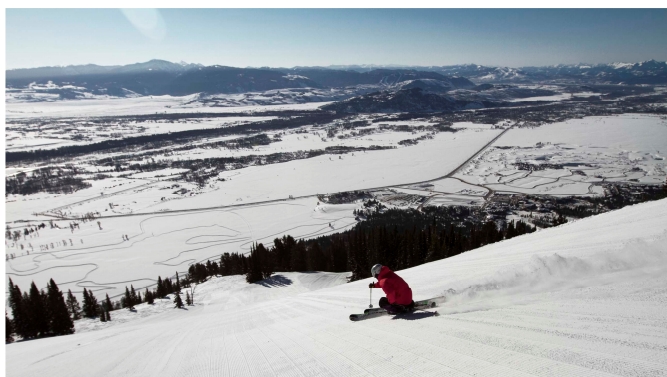
I now look forward to the 2013/2014 ski season as TSC VP of Winter Shootout and leading a much larger group to Jackson Hole, building some new memories and making more great friends. I look forward to working with all of the Trip Coordinators from the various clubs and putting together an unforgettable experience in Jackson Hole!

I am working with Sports America now to accommodate every club's lodging requests. It looks like the TSC will be dominating the Teton Village properties. Sports America is also diligently

following the airline schedules so don't hesitate as a Trip Coordinator to work with them on securing group air for your club. Sports America Tours can also provide TC's with trail maps, property brochures, resort brochures, posters and any other material that will help each club promote the trip. They can create custom club/council posters for use as well. A special bonus on this year's Winter Shootout being offered by Sports America is not only a trip pin for participants but a trip t-shirt as well. This is a great advertisement tool for skiing when you get back to Texas. Sports America now has a great online trip management database. It is a user friendly online database to help trip leaders track every step of their trip. Logged information includes lodging options, activities, lift tickets, room lists, payments and much more. They can customize the database for each club to work with. How easy is that?



While we are just getting started with all the details be assured we are going to have a great week February 8 – 15th, 2014 in Jackson Hole. This is a TSC adventure you need to be sure to put on your calendar! I will be going to Jackson Hole the last weekend in June so please let me know if I can help you in any way while I am there. Sign up early, sign up your friends and family. Happy Ski Trails to all!



TSC Final Showdown – Keystone, Colorado

March 8-15, and 15-22, 2014

By Derlyn Gordon, VP Final Showdown



I'm back!!! Last year was my first year to be a part of the Texas Ski Council Board as appointed Winter Expedition Coordinator for Spain. This year, Derlyn Gordon will be your Final Showdown VP. We are looking forward to our trip to Keystone, Colorado with Sports America.

Having almost finished another school year, I can say I have been teaching for 39 years. How can that be???? I'm only 39 years of age!

I am active in several organizations. I do community service in Altrusa Club. I have served as their treasurer for many years as well as other offices. We have many projects such as washing wigs for the cancer center, keeping a room stocked and decorated at the Ronald McDonald House as well as providing

We want to thank pre-select for selecting places that hopefully will be easier to get to than our last two fabulous Final Showdown destinations. Keystone will be a fly into Denver or a drive trip for the West Texas Clubs.

My career is in education. I taught for 36 years in Lubbock and retired 3 years ago, but have substitute taught almost daily unless I was on a

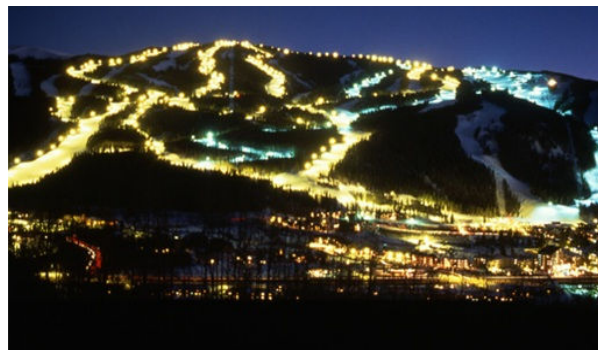


meals and supplies to them, getting books into the hands of children, and tutoring. Being a member of a women's educational group, Delta Kappa Gamma, we help the Alternative High School with their day care projects and Indians in Mexico with water well project just to name a few things. I am currently their treasurer.

This summer, I am trying something new by working in Kids Camp at BodyWorks. We will have kids ranging in age from 5 to 13. We will provide many fun movement activities for them during the summer. It is summer day care for parents that gets kids involved in active activities. Hopefully, they will continue this life style into adulthood.



I am a member of the Texas Twisters Ski and Adventure Club in Lubbock since 1993. I have been active in the club serving as treasurer, President, and currently VP of trips. I first got involved in TSC by attending Bid Fest. I have been on Pre-Select Committee, Nominating Committee, Bid Fest Committee and last year Winter Expedition Coordinator. I have travelled to many places with TSC. I love to ski and travel. Spain, Norway, Russia, Garmisch, Prague, Thailand, Machu Picchu, Galapagos Islands, Amazon Rain Forest, Egypt, South Africa, Israel, Big Sky, Sun Valley, Jackson Hole, Snowmass are some of the places I've been with TSC and the Twisters.



I have made many friends and now many are like family. It is a wonderful organization to ski, travel and make lifelong friends.

Final Showdown to Keystone, CO. will be an excellent destination for our students at spring break. Flying into Denver will be easy and affordable. At Keystone, you'll find everything that makes a perfect vacation all in one place. From our lodging choices and dining to exciting activities, Keystone has it all. Offering unique activities like night skiing, Keystone Adventure Tours' snowcat skiing and riding the bowls, tubing and dinner sleigh rides, it's all here at Keystone.

Since Spring Breaks are different weeks in Texas this year, TSC and Sports America have agreed to accommodate our Texas Students by offering this trip for two weeks. The original bid week of March 8-15, 2014 and the following week of March 15-22, 2012. We have some awesome deals for families on this trip. Kids up to age 18 may sleep on air mattress or sofa for free, if you have the pillows in your condo filled. You are welcome to attend either week even if your club is attending a different week. Whichever week you attend, the 230 of us will have a fun filled Spring Break! See you there!



TSC Summer Expedition – South Africa

Summer 2014

By VaNisha Mallory, Expedition Coordinator

Lions and tigers and bears – oh, my! Okay no bears, but to replace the bears, we have elephants, giraffes, rhinos, gazelles and so many more animals. There will also be various species of birds to see, wine to taste and magnificent scenery to observe.



In case you have not heard, the Texas Ski Council is going to South Africa in 2014. Our 11 day journey will take us from Port Elizabeth to Cape Town. During that time we will visit Kariega Private Game Reserve, Tsitsikamma, Knysna, and Outdshoorn. There will be wildlife safaris, a featherbed excursion of the Knsyna Lagoon to the Featherbed Nature Reserve, a caving experience in the Cango Caves. While in Cape Town we will have the opportunity to visit the Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens, Boulders Beach to see the Penguins – that's right the Penguins, as well a few of the wineries in the region for a taste African wines.

This by no means encompasses the entire trip and I have the opportunity to be your Expedition Coordinator for the once in a life time trip. I am VaNisha Mallory, a member of Los Amigos Ski Club since 1984. I went on my first ski trip ever in 1984 and fell in love with the sport.

I have led many trips for the club and sat on the LASC board in just about every capacity, including VP of Trips for three years and as President for one year. I have also been a part of the Texas Ski Council board in past years, serving as a VP of Fall Round-up, TSC Winter Expedition Coordinator to Norway and Secretary.

I am looking forward to coordinating this trip for the council clubs. My contact information is noted below. Feel free to reach out to me with any questions you may have regarding the trip or reach out to your local club leaders.

VaNisha Mallory
TSC Summer 2014 Expedition Coordinator
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The Treasurer's Report

By George Kelley, TSC Treasurer

With the start of our new 2013-2014 year there are several dates the Clubs need to keep in mind. Payment of each Club's Dues along with a Roster is due to be received by AUGUST 3, 2013. Payment can be brought and given to me at the August 3rd Delegates Meeting in Lubbock.

Participation Fees for each TSC trip will be due as follows:

Traditional-Park City:	November 19, 2013
Winter Expedition-Garmish:	December 10, 2013
Winter Shootout-Jackson Hole:	December 24, 2013
Final Showdown-Keystone:	January 21, 2014
Summer Expedition-South Africa:	April 1, 2014

The Club Dues and the Participation Fee forms are on the TSC website listed on the front page under "TSC FORMS." Click on this link and it will open another page and these will be shown under the heading of "TREASURER FORMS." Very prompt receipt of each of these payments on or before their due date will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you.

Notes From The Secretary

By Marsha Lutz

Hi there

I want to introduce myself as the TSC's new secretary. As you may have noticed from the article on the Winter Expedition, Ross Baker is leading that. Since it would be quite difficult to do that and be Secretary, I agreed to handle Secretary duties this year! Seriously, Ross has done a great job and I know my first newsletter pales in comparison to his works of art!



In addition to preparing the newsletter, I keep the calendar, contact lists, send out the meeting notices and record the meeting minutes. FYI – I was secretary of my ski club the first time in 1997 and I had to mail out hard copies of this information. Thank goodness for modern technology!

Please help the TSC spread our news by sending the emailed pdf file of this and future newsletters to your club members. And remember to check the TSC website www.texas-ski.org for more info.

Important TSC Dates

July 1, 2013	Club Deposits Due to Ski Areas for 2013-2014 trips
August 3, 2013	Club Dues and Rosters due to TSC Treasurer
August 3, 4 2013	Quarterly Delegates Meeting – Lubbock
September 6-14, 2013	TSC SUMMER EXPEDITION - Ireland
September 15, 2013	Tax Return Due
October 1, 2013	Lodging Requests/Club Deposits Due for SOUTH AFRICA Trip 2014 (\$500/club)
November 2, 2013	Board of Directors Meeting – Houston
November 19, 2013	Participation Fees due to TSC Treasurer for TRADITIONAL
December 7, 2013	Quarterly Delegates Meeting – Dallas
December 10, 2013	Participation Fees due to TSC Treasurer for WINTER EXPEDITION
December 24, 2013	Participation Fees due to TSC Treasurer for WINTER SHOOTOUT
January 4-11, 2014	TSC TRADITIONAL – Park City, UT
January 15, 2014	TSC 2013 Officer Applications due to Nominating Chair
January 15, 2014	Ski Area Bids for 2013-2014 ski season due
January 21, 2014	Participation Fees due to TSC Treasurer for FINAL SHOWDOWN
January 24-31, 2014	TSC WINTER EXPEDITION – Garmisch, Germany
February 8-15, 2014	TSC WINTER SHOOTOUT – Jackson Hole, WY
February 18, 2014	Articles due for TSC Newsletter
February 22, 2014	Board of Directors and Pre-Select Committee Mtgs – Dallas
TBD	Deadline for Bid Meeting Room Reservations & Registration
March 8-15, and 15-22, 2014	TSC FINAL SHOWDOWN—Keystone, CO
TBD	Participation Fees due to TSC Treasurer for SUMMER EXPEDITION
April 4-6, 2014	Quarterly Delegates Meeting – San Antonio Ski Area Bid Selection, Officer Election & Installation
April 6, 2014	Annual Marketing Survey due to VP Marketing
May 3-4, 2014	Officer Training/Planning Meeting & Board of Directors Meeting - TBD
Summer 2014	TSC SUMMER EXPEDITION - South Africa

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OUT WITH THE OLD, IN WITH THE NEW

As Tere said, Change is coming. The two big things relate to racing and the logo. She told you about the racing. Since our last meeting, the new logo has been finalized! Lots of time went into this, so we hope you noticed it on the Front Page! It will take awhile till this is incorporated in all media, but we hope it draws some new attention.

The TSC Board anticipates that there will continue to be a fair number of changes over the next year or two. We are trying hard to reinvigorate the Council. Please continue to share your ideas.



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