

THE GREAT SCHUSS

LEXINGTON SKI & SPORTS CLUB/JANUARY 2014/JAN CLARK, EDITOR

January Meeting **“State of the Club”** **and** **Telluride Pre-Trip** **Jan. 7**

Join us at **Rooster's** at 124 Marketplace Drive (off Nicholasville at Man-O-War), Tuesday, January 7th for **free appetizers** and post-holiday socializing. This meeting will serve the combined purposes of a special “State of the Club” discussion led by President Dan Geiger and the Telluride pre-trip gathering. Telluride trip packets will be distributed and Member input will be requested regarding the current state of the club as well as its future. **Please come and participate to discuss the following: club finances, declining membership, board vacancies, club ski trips, social events, current and past officers and plans for the future. This is YOUR club and YOUR input is needed!**



Scenes from J&H **LSSC Open House - Dec. 3**





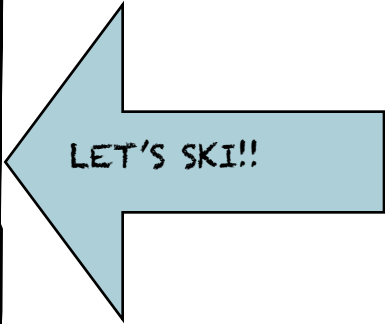
LSSC Officers and Directors 2013-14

DAY TRIP

PERFECT NORTH

Sunday, Jan. 5th

Join us for a day ski trip to Perfect North (Lawrenceburg, IN), on Sunday, January 5. All abilities welcome. We will meet for carpooling in the parking lot of the Marriott Griffin Gate, in the section closest to Denny's restaurant. Meet at 7:45; leave at 8:00.



JAN BIRTHDAYS

JANET JONES
1/11

JIM BLACKWELL
1/13



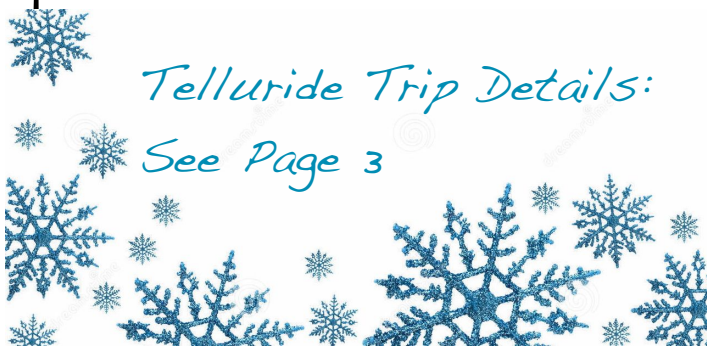

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The next board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, **January 8th**, 6:30 p.m., 1880 Ft. Harrods Drive. Turn into Rabbit Run Subdivision at the Ft. Harrods/Harrodsburg Road traffic light between New Circle and Man-o-War. 1880 is at the end of the dead end on Fort Harrods Drive.

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*Telluride Trip Details:
See Page 3*

*Looking for a few good
VOLUNTEERS!
Officers needed for 2014-15 Board.
If you are interested, please
contact President-Elect
Janet Jones at jgjones@uky.edu.*





Other Activities

Snowshoeing – ECO Adventures
www.tellurideskiresort.com/TellSki/info/eco-snowshoeing.aspx

Snowbike Tour – ECO Adventures
www.tellurideskiresort.com/TellSki/info/eco-snowshoeing.aspx

Snowmobiling – ECO Adventures
www.tellurideskiresort.com/TellSki/info/eco-off-piste-adventures.aspx

Dog Sledding – Winter Moon
www.rothschilddesign.com/dogsled/

Complete details and cost information provided in traveler's packets which will be distributed at the January 7th meeting

AIR SCHEDULE

Jan. 17 LEX/ATL Flt 1093 7:10am/8:44am
ATL/MTJ Flt780 10:05am/11:58am
Jan.25 MTJ/ATL Flt 780 12:50pm/5:59pm
ATL/LEX Flt386 8:30pm-9:43pm



Telluride Express from Montrose to Telluride

ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE

Saturday, Jan. 18: Arrivals and Check-in
Sunday, Jan. 19: **Mountain Tours**; 10 am; Top of the Coonskin Lift; **Welcome Party**; 6-9pm; Telluride Conference Center (Includes one complimentary drink and light appetizers)
Monday, Jan. 20: **Mountain Tours**; 10 am; Top of the Coonskin Lift
Tuesday, Jan. 21: **Club Races**; Time TBD; Location TBD; **Mountain Picnic**; Time TBD; Gorrano Ranch (Skiers only location; Vouchers will be given to non-skiers)
Wednesday, Jan. 22: Free Day
Thursday, Jan. 23: **Poker Run**; All Day; Location TBD; **Farewell Dinner & Dance**; 6:30-11pm; Telluride Conference Center (Buffet dinner, two complimentary drinks and entertainment included)
Friday, Jan. 24: Korbek & Kenwood **Wine Tasting**; 4-6pm; Bear Creek Front Lobby
Saturday, Jan. 25: Departures

SKI RENTAL INFORMATION: If you plan to rent equipment in Telluride use the link below to make arrangements at a 25% discount. Just select the dates and "Telluride" then click "Book Now." There is a store located at the lift closest to Riverside Condos or you can request they come for fittings to the property. There is no extra charge for onsite service. If you are interested they can come to the property Saturday night and fit everyone in the lobby. www.Rentskis.com/sportsamerica.

FAREWELL PARTY MUSIC: If you have a special music request for the Farewell Dinner DJ use this link to let him know. We can customize our party!
<http://www.antonedservice.djintelligence.com/request/request.asp?ID=ohiovalleyskicouncil>



TRIP LEADER

Dan Geiger

dangeiger17@gmail.com



Trip Details

January 18-25, 2014

Cost \$1749

Lodging Riverside

Availability **Closed!**

Flights Lex to Montrose

Lift Tickets 5 of 6 days

Payments all due



JACKSON HOLE®

Dates: February 22 – March 1, 2014
 Cost: \$1,649 (\$1,119 land only)
 Flight: Between Lexington and Jackson on Delta Airlines
 Lodging: 2 bedroom/2 bath condos in Teton Village
 Lift ticket: 5 of 7 days

To sign up or to obtain more information, contact Trip Leader Catherine Monzingo
camonzingo@kyattorney.net
 859-223-8712

Non-ski Activities
 Horseback riding, Dog sledding, Snowmobiling, Snowshoeing, Mangy Moose après ski, Silver Dollar Saloon dining

This is a Lexington Ski and Sports Club trip. LSSC has selected Winter Ski and Sports as our vendor, who is offering trip insurance for an additional \$80 per person.



SKI Magazine's
 2013 #1 Ski
 Resort in North
 America



Trip closed!!

Payment Schedule *

All payments were due by November. If you have not made all payments please complete payment by January 7th.

MOUNTAIN CHARACTERISTICS



Two outstanding
 mountains:
Rendezvous
Apres Vous

116 Named Trails
 Expert: 50%
 Intermediate 40%
 Beginner 10%

Base Elevation	6311 ft
Summit Elevation	10450 ft
Vertical Drop	4139 ft
In-bounds terrain	2500 acres
Backcountry	3000+ acres

Snow Sport Specifics in Brief!!

Everything about Chamonix is impressive. In the shadow of Mont Blanc (4,810m), the highest mountain in the Alps, the deep Chamonix valley has more skiable slopes than seems possible and something for all abilities, though adventurous skiers and boarders have most to gain from a visit including ski runs with a vertical elevation of more than 2,000m and the "Vallée Blanche", the most famous off-piste run in the world. A magnet to skiers, mountaineers and all extreme sports devotees, the thriving town of Chamonix is busy all year round and only one hour (103km) from Geneva airport, making it one of Europe's most popular destinations for weekend and short break skiing.

Quick Facts...

- Lift capacity approx. 52,660 per hour, including 4 cable cars, 3 gondolas, 34 chair lifts, and 10 surface lifts
- Chamonix elevation - 3,266 feet
- Max vertical drop reached by lifts – 9,774 feet
- Max skiable vertical drop 9,240 feet
- Highest lift 12,672 feet above sea level
- 168 kilometers prepared pistes
 - Green (very easy) – 8
 - Blue (easy) – 35
 - Red (medium) – 31
 - Black (difficult) - 15
- 15,000 acres skiable terrain
- Plus the Mont Blanc glacier
- PLUS Off Piste!

Pricing is tentatively only \$2,299 for all this! Details and prices on side trips and the extensions to the Nice/Cote de Azur and to Morzine will be available at the next meeting!

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

CHAMONIX/MONT BLANC

"Best of the Alps"

March 7 - 15, 2014



Chamonix/Mont-Blanc or, more commonly known as **Chamonix**, is a commune in the Rhône-Alpes region in south-eastern France. It was the site of the first Winter Olympics in 1924.

Situated near the massive peaks of the Aiguilles Rouges and most notably the Aiguille du Midi, Chamonix is one of the oldest ski resorts in France and is known as the "gateway to the European Cascades". The north side of the summit of **Mont Blanc**, and therefore the summit itself, are part of the village of Chamonix. To the south side, the situation is different depending on the country. Italy considers that the border passes through the top. France considers that the boundary runs along the rocky Tournette under the summit cap, placing it entirely in French territory. The south side was in France, assigned to the commune of Saint-Gervais-les-Bains sharing the summit with its neighbor Chamonix. It is this situation "for France", which is found on the French IGN maps. The Chamonix commune is well known and loved by skiers and mountain enthusiasts of all types, and via the cable car lift to the Aiguille du Midi it is possible to access the world famous off-piste ski run of the Vallée Blanche.

What's Included ...

- Airfare Lexington – Geneva – Lexington
- Ground transportation Geneva – Chamonix - Geneva with English- speaking guide on the coach
- Seven nights at the Hotel Alpina
- Breakfast buffet and dinner daily (Dine Around plan for dinners)
- Welcome drink and area briefing in Chamonix
- Hospitality desk at the hotel daily with local guide
- Use of high speed internet at the hotel
- Fuel charges / air taxes / local taxes / luggage handling tips
- Many great optional day tours
- Discounted lift tickets and equipment rental
- Optional pre-trip to Nice / Cote de Azur
- Optional post-trip extension to Morzine for skiing the Avoriaz area

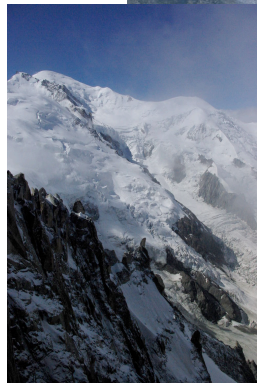


Details.....



Just some of the Winter Activities available.....

- Ski and Snowboard
- Ski touring/mountaineering
- Ice skating
- Glacier trekking
- Heli-skiing and boarding
- Climbing in winter
- Cross-country skiing
- Nordic walking
- Paragliding and hang-gliding
- Speed-riding
- Sledding
- Snowshoeing
- Ski-taxi
- Dog sledding
- Swimming
- Snow tubing
- Winter hiking



It's pure adrenaline! Sky diving, heli-skiing, paragliding, wide slopes and toboggan runs – there's no limit to the range of winter sports on offer in the Chamonix holiday region.

Chamonix's offer of winter sports and adventure is as good as the summer one! Rock around a snowpark, curve and carve your way across ample ski slopes, sledge down a toboggan run or two, or experience the free-fall sensation of paragliding. Ice skating, winter hiking, and snow-board riding make for somewhat quieter winter days that are just as thrilling.

Non-skier Activities...

- Full day tour to Aosta, Italy
- Half day tour to Geneva
- Scenic train to the end of the Glacier Run
- Full day tour to Montreux
- Gondola to the Mont Blanc Glacier
- Full day tour to Lyon
- Hiking and exploring
- Spa
- Great shopping in town

Lodging at the three-star Hotel Alpina.....

- Convenient, central location
- Jacuzzi, sauna and fitness area
- Ski rental shop in the hotel
- Ski storage area
- All front desk staff speak English
- Top floor restaurant
- Lounge with fireplace
- Nightly entertainment in the bar



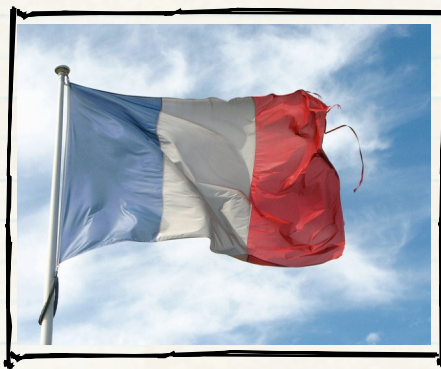
Ski Morzine: March 15-22



Morzine is one of 14 resorts in the massive Portes du Soleil ski area, which spans the Franco-Swiss border. With 52 hotels and 41 bars and restaurants, it's a concentration of ski holiday facilities, but still manages to pull off that authentic mountain village feel. With 212 interconnected lifts servicing a mind-boggling 650kms of runs sprawling across 12 areas, Morzine is a fine destination for skiers and boarders of all levels. There are 273 marked ski runs as well as 216 km of cross-country trails. It's also a good place from which to explore the Porte du Soleil's many off piste options if you're feeling adventurous. Lifts often lead directly up to these areas, which mean less hiking and more skiing.

Package includes:

- Ground transportation Chamonix - Morzine- Geneva
- Seven nights accommodation at the Club Hotel Le Cret
- Breakfast buffet and dinner daily
- Hospitality desk at hotel
- Local taxes, luggage handling, and tips
- Lift tickets and ski/board rentals extra



FROM THE TRIP LEADER

Pricing has not been finalized, but will be approximately \$1049. (Note: The Morzine extension is only available in conjunction with the Chamonix trip.

Nice Cote D'Azur: March 2 - 8

The deep blue waters of the Cote d'Azur are the dramatic backdrop for elegant Nice. Breathe in the fresh Mediterranean air as you stroll the waterfront promenade, or get an eagle eye of the whole city from atop Castle Hill. The pedestrians-only Place Rossetti is the heart of the city, with a grand fountain, vibrant buildings, and the beautiful Sainte-Réparate cathedral giving it a provincial French feel. With its unusual mix of real-city grit, old-world opulence, year-round sunshine and exceptional location, Nice's

appeal is universal. Everyone from backpackers to romance-seeking couples and families will love sitting at a cafe on cours Saleya in Vieux Nice or a bench on the legendary Promenade des Anglais for an epic sunset. Eating options are some of the best you'll find in France, the nightlife is buzzing and the art scene thriving. You could happily spend a week here and still be hungry for more.

Our trip will include:

- Five nights lodging in the four-star Grand Hotel Aston
- Breakfast daily
- Full day tour of Nice, Eze Village, and Monaco
- Full day tour to Antibes, Biot, and St. Paul
- Half day tour to Grasse and

Cannes

- Holiday escort throughout the trip
- Motorcoach transfer from Nice to Chamonix with English speaking guide
- Free Wi-Fi at the hotel
- Local taxes, guide gratuities, luggage handling at hotels

Pricing has not been finalized, and will depend on the total number of OVSC participants, the Euro-dollar exchange rate - at the time of ticketing, and changes in fuel surcharges. Anticipate a price ranging around \$1,179, but could be more if lower than anticipated OVSC - wide count - or lower if there is a larger group.

2014 Tentative OVSC Race Schedule

Perfect North race times, Saturday ???, Sunday ???
 Paoli Peaks race times, Saturday 10:00AM, Sunday 9:30AM
 All Mad River races start at ???, Snow Trails 9AM
 Race times are tentative. Check in lodge upon arrival.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location/Format</u>	<u>Host Club</u>	<u>Lift Ticket</u>
January 4 January 5	Mad River, OH - Mad River, OH -	Columbus	Pending
January 11 January 12	Paoli Peaks, IN - two GS Paoli Peaks, IN - two GS	Louisville	OVSC Rates 3 Day Fri-Sun \$92 2 Day Sat & Sun \$72 1 Day Ticket - Sat OR Sun \$38 MRM season pass holders \$26 each day
January 18 January 19	MLK Weekend No OVSCRacing		
January 25 January 26	Snow Trails Snow Trails		
February 1 February 2	Mad River, OH – MR OPEN Mad River, OH – MR OPEN Figure 11, GS	Columbus	
February 8 February 9	Paoli Peaks IN - two GS Paoli Peaks IN - two GS		Same as Jan 11/12 rates
February 15 February 16	President's Weekend No OVSC Racing		
February 22 February 23	Perfect North Slopes, IN - Weekend Race format TBD King of the Hill and ????	Cincinnati	Pending
March 1 March 2	West Virginia Governors Cup West Virginia Governors Cup	Non-OVSC Non- OVSC	

Race formats (GS, SL, etc.): Subject to conditions and course availability

Lodging: Mad River-Comfort Inn; Paoli-Comfort Inn Suites, French Lick (812.936.5300); Snow Trails-Pending; Perfect North-Pending

Contact: Race Director Dianna Miller at hagski@aol.com



LET'S
RACE
IN
2014!



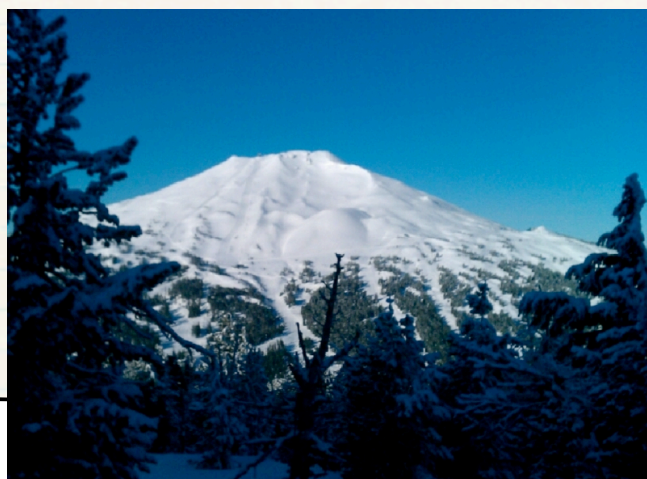
OVSC (but not LSSC) offers Mt. Bachelor



Mt. Bachelor, Oregon
March 1-8, 2014

The Dayton Ski Club has extended an invitation to interested LSSC skiers and boarders to join them as they head to Mt. Bachelor for spring skiing in Bend, Oregon. Please note this conflicts with the LSSC European trip but is being advertised as a courtesy to DSC.

Contact Dayton's trip host: Heike Hudson heikeh@woh.rr.com



OVSC Summit 2014: LSSC to Host, Volunteers Needed!

Lexington Ski & Sports Club will host the annual OVSC Summit, **June 6-8, 2014**. The host hotel will be the Lexington Hilton Downtown (formerly the Radisson Hotel). The current planning committee is Chaired by Jan Clark and includes several hard-working club members already. We are still looking for volunteers to help so contact Jan at janclark@roadrunner.com if you can help! Events include receptions, dinners, a bike tour of The Legacy Trail (<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VCeVAnHWcE>), golf tournament at Kearny Hills, a downtown champagne breakfast and Farmer's Market shopping, a tour of Town Branch Distillery, a ski tour operator and resort showcase, trip presentations, meetings, prizes and more still under development! Mark your calendar now to attend. Jump in and help if you can! Help us show other OVSC skiers some serious Bluegrass hospitality!



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