

November 2011 Newsletter



"A social club for all seasons"

HAPPY HOURS

November 4, 6-8PM
Fritz and Franz Bierhaus (drink specials, appetizers)
60 Merrick Way
Coral Gables, (305) 774-1883

November 11, 6-8PM (2-for-1 drinks, appetizers)
Fritz and Franz Bierhaus - Fort Lauderdale
new location
2861 East Commercial Blvd.
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33308
(954) 776-4353

November 18, 6-8PM
Spartico Bar or Rooftop (outdoors) at Mayfair Hotel Lobby
(Drink specials, appetizers)
3000 Florida Avenue, Coconut Grove (305) 779-5113
(Check before attending inside or out)



HOLIDAY FEST

Friday, November 25, 6-8PM
94th Aero Squadron Patio (outdoors)
1395 N.W. 57th Avenue
Miami, FREE parking

Everyone needs to continue the festivities with our Holiday Fest with complimentary Hors D'oeuvres & Cash bar, **Members FREE with advance RSVP to Judy Honeycut. Guests/ \$20.** Members who do not RSVP there will be a \$10 admission fee at the door. Of course, you can make reservations for dinner right there and continue partying in the lounge with music afterwards. Please bring an unwrapped toy for the holiday donation for underprivileged children. See inside RSVP form.

ELECTIONS

We are in our election year. Our Elections Committee is looking for candidates for the next installment of the Executive Committee. If you know anyone who you think would make a good Treasurer, Secretary, Vice President or President, please contact Karen Kirby at Hospitality@miamiskiclub.net or (305) 235-7528. Get involved yourself, please contact us. Applications for officers have to be in to the Elections Committee by December 1, so there are only a few weeks left! In February, we will be holding the official Elections Meeting. At that time, the slate of officers will be announced and we will open the meeting to nominations from the floor. In case we have multiple candidates for any one position, the Club will have ballots for our members to cast their vote. The elected officers will then take charge of the Club on June 1, 2012.

MSC 2012 Ski Trips

All Miami Ski Club ski trips are priced per person, double occupancy, unless otherwise specified. Base price includes (except where noted) airfare, ground transportation, lodging and taxes, a pre-trip and post- trip party and minimum one dining event at the resort. Initial trip deposits are \$750, unless specified otherwise. View fine print on your trip flyer and trip application. Please note that, after the time of booking, the airlines may impose additional taxes or fuel surcharges and local taxing authorities may increase existing taxes, which would be passed on to the trip participants. Airlines recently instituted baggage fees which are the responsibility of the trip participant. Miami Ski Club takes pride in our competitive pricing for this 2012 ski season. We highly recommend you purchase travel insurance.

Vail Ski Trip was canceled due to lack of participants.

STEAMBOAT, COLORADO

January 21 to 28, 2012, Steamboat Grand, \$1,525

The Florida Ski Council trip is guaranteed to be a fabulous time. We will be staying at the Steamboat Grand, across from the base of the gondola. Amenities include an outdoor pool and hot tub, fitness facilities with sauna, a full service spa, and game room. Steamboat offers almost 3,000 acres of skiable terrain and an impressive 3,700 foot vertical rise – certainly enough to keep the most discriminating skier entertained. Whether you prefer downhill skiing, snowboarding or cross country skiing, all are available. Snow shoeing tour, or guided ski nature tours also available. The adventurous will have a chance to compete in the FSC races. The trip also includes the great FSC evening parties!

Trip Leader: Cindy Oliver (305) 387-3514 Steamboat@miamiskiclub.net

PARK CITY, UTAH

March 10 - 17, 2012, Park City Peaks Hotel, \$1,390

Here is a place with access to three distinct mountain areas. If you want pampering, go to Deer Valley or you can head to the Canyons, or Park City Mountain. And did you know that you can actually ski six resorts in one day? Just take the guided Interconnect Tour which takes you on a hike/ski tour of 6 incredible peaks at Deer Valley, Park City, Solitude, Brighton, Alta and Snowbird – what a treat. A fun family trip! Remember, Park City also has the Olympic Park where you can bobsled the actual course – imagine the adrenaline rush you will be getting, too fast for you? Take the fun coaster ride down the Payday lift or go to the Gorgoza Tubing Park and then top it all off with a balloon ride over Park City, it does not get any better than this!

Trip Leader: David Hartman (305) 453-9208 ParkCity@miamiskiclub.net

SPECTACULAR MEDITERRANEAN CRUISE

May 31 – June 10, 2012 Includes 2 nights in Barcelona

Experience one of Europe's most popular destinations aboard the new NCL EPIC. We have a spectacular itinerary for you on our 7 day cruise. Travel easy with Miami Ski Club to Barcelona, Naples, Rome, Florence, Nice and Provence. \$1000 deposit required. Please view trip flyer and trip application inside for pricing and complete details!

Trip Leader: Pamela Epstein (305) 772-1500 Mediterranean@miamiskiclub.net

FLORIDA SKI COUNCIL MEETING

Friday, November 4 - 6

Holiday Inn, Orlando, Florida

As a MSC member, you are welcome to join us. This is where our FSC ski trips get selected and many of the details decided on. But there is more than just business - there are sponsored breakfasts, and Saturday lunch and dinner. If interested, please contact our VP of trips, Bill Grieco at vicepresident@miamiskiclub.net for information.

WARREN MILLER FILM...Like There's No Tomorrow

Sponsored by Peter Glenn

Thursday, November 3, 7PM

Broward Center for the Performing Arts

Adrenaline junkies and extreme winter sports enthusiasts get ready for the unveiling of Warren Miller Entertainment's 62nd winter sports film, Warren Miller's . . . Like There's No Tomorrow. Tickets: \$12.00 order individually online www.warrenmiller.com or call Broward Center.

Kayaking on the Loxahatchee River

Saturday, November 12

Meet at 9:15 AM at BJ's at Oakwood Mall, 4000 Oakwood Blvd, Hollywood to carpool

Join us for an exciting Kayaking adventure on the beautiful Loxahatchee with Canoe Outfitters at Riverbend Park located at 9060 Indiantown Road in Jupiter, FL. We will kayak down the exciting twists and turns of the river to the second dam and then back upstream to Riverbend Park where we will have a relaxing lunch. Then we will paddle around the more quiet waters of the park back to the Outfitters. Meet at Oakwood Mall, BJ's at 9:15 AM. Go north on I 95 to the Stirling Road exit, go right for 1 block and turn right into the mall to the first parking lot entrance. We will be at the BJ's. Then we can all carpool the rest of the way to Jupiter.

Price: \$33/ Members and \$38 / Guests. Checks made out to Miami Ski Club, please and mail to: Evelyn Roisman, 15112 SW 74 Place, Miami, FL. 33158. For more info call: Evelyn (786) 2618597 or email eroisman@aol.com or call Betty Boffing (954) 881-0530 What to Bring: Dry clothes to leave in the car, Shoes that WILL get wet, sunscreen drinking water, finger foods for lunch and for sharing, a closed dry bag if available (remember your belongings may fall in the water). Most Important bring a "Spirit of Adventure". Some kayaking experience preferred since some of the turns are rather challenging. We will be happy to help out. For those who want to go directly to Canoe Outfitters at Riverbend Park, go north on I 95 to Indiantown Road, exit 87 B, then left on Indiantown Road for about 1 mile to the entrance to Riverbend Park. The sign is small; you have to look for it. Go left to the parking lot by the Outfitters. Their number is 1- 888-272-1257.

Volunteers always needed please contact Pamela Epstein at president@miamiskiclub.net or (305) 772-1500



Holiday Fest RSVP

Friday, November 25, 6-8PM

Please return this form with payment made out to Miami Ski Club by November 21 to
Judy Honeycutt, 7924 SW 199 Terrace, Cutler Bay, FL. 33189
If no payment due you may RSVP to Judy at (305) 251-0163
Or email registration@miamiskiclub.net

IF YOU DO NOT RSVP ON TIME—THERE WILL BE A \$10 CHARGE AT THE DOOR

MEMBERS ARE FREE

NAME of MEMBER: _____ (FREE)

NAME of MEMBER: _____ (FREE)

NAME of GUEST: _____ (\$20)

NAME of GUEST: _____ (\$20)

Total enclosed \$ _____

Holiday Fest

Friday, November 25th, 6-8PM

**94th Aero Squadron Patio 1395 N.W. 57th Avenue
Miami, (305)-261-4220**

Continue your holiday season on Friday, November 25 at 6PM with a Happy Hour at the Aero Squadron Patio. Later you may make a dinner reservation or enjoy the Music in the Lounge to complete your evening!

Complimentary Hors D'oeuvres & Cash Bar
Members FREE with advance RSVP only Guests/ \$20.
Parking FREE

Please bring an unwrapped toy for the holiday donation for underprivileged children. This is organized by **THE VOICES FOR CHILDREN FOUNDATION** and benefits almost 4,000 children in foster care. In the past, members have been very generous with their gifts and put smiles on the faces of dozens of children... Please load on the toys for a Happy Holiday Season!

MEDITERRANEAN CRUISE

May 31 to June 10, 2012
Includes two nights in Barcelona



Experience one of Europe’s most popular destinations in a brand new and unique way aboard the NCL EPIC. This modern marvel, voted ‘best cruise ship overall’ by travel weekly, made her European debut May 2011. Relax as you enjoy the award winning and hilariously inventive Blue Man Group, the Cirque Dreams, comedy specials, an ice bar (one of 16 world wide), a casino, spa, two pools, numerous restaurants and many other amenities.

The spectacular itinerary begins with two nights in Barcelona, the capital of Spain’s Catalonia region. Here you will be able to visit various points of interest and enjoy optional evening outings with typical food, drink and music. You will then continue on a seven day cruise. See complete itinerary in the back. First you will visit Naples, with optional side tours to the Isle of Capri and Pompeii. The next stop will lead you to Rome. After you will visit Florence and the Tuscan region. You will then continue to Nice, the jewel of the French Riviera, then on to Marseille, the oldest city in France founded in 600BC. Here you may also want to visit the city of Avignon, and the quaint villages of Le Baux and Aix en Provence. With such abundant choices every step of the way, and reasonable prices, this Miami Ski Club trip is destined to be a success.

Package: Prices are per person double occupancy for Inside and Balcony Cabins. Prices are per person single occupancy for the Studio Cabins. Prices include 2 nights and 2 breakfasts in a 4 Star Hotel in Barcelona, all meals and snacks aboard the ship, round trip air from Miami, ground transfers, air taxes, fuel surcharges, port charges, cruise taxes, ground and ship gratuities, pre and post trip parties. *Prices may be subject to change due to flight changes and any other events beyond our control. Airline baggage fees are not included in the package.*

Contact:
Pamela Epstein, Trip Leader
Mediterranean@miamiskiclub.net
305-772-1500

Inside Cabin	Double Occupancy	\$3,100
Studio Cabin	Single Occupancy	\$3,350
Balcony Cabin	Double Occupancy	\$3,450

Sun [Barcelona, Spain](#)

6:00PM

Barcelona, Spain The capital of Spain's Catalonia region is a classy, exciting, vibrant city that hosted the 1992 Summer Olympic Games. The old center of town boasts one of the greatest concentrations of Gothic architecture in Europe. But you'll find many marvels of Modernisme about throughout the rest of the city.

Mon [At Sea](#)

Tue [Naples, Italy](#)

7:00 AM 7:00 PM

Naples, Italy Naples changes dramatically from neighborhood to neighborhood, from chic to shabby, then back to chic again. But some of Italy's best shopping and dining is always at hand, including the original Neapolitan Pizza. Nearby you'll find Mt. Vesuvius, the Isle of Capri and Pompeii.

Wed [Rome \(Civitavecchia\), Italy](#)

7:00 AM 7:00 PM

Rome (Civitavecchia), Italy Bask in the glory of the city that once was the capital of the world's most powerful empire. No visit to Rome is complete without a visit to the Coliseum that stands as a reminder of the gladiator days. But be sure to visit St. Peter's Basilica, the Vatican and the Pantheon, too.

Thu [Florence/Pisa \(Livorno\), Italy](#)

7:00 AM 7:00 PM

Florence/Pisa (Livorno), Italy How lucky to visit the Tuscan region, Florence & Pisa, resplendent in art and history. What's even more fortunate is that all the main attractions in Florence are centrally located for the perfect walking tour. See Santa Croce, Piazza del Duomo and Michelangelo's David.

Fri [Nice \(Villefranche\), France](#)

8:00 AM 7:00 PM

Nice (Villefranche), France At the foot of the Alps is the jewel of the French Riviera. Luxuriate on long sandy beaches and terrace cafés. Stroll along the Promenade des Anglais. Savor pissaladiés and caillettes.

Featured Shore Excursions

Sat [Provence \(Marseille\), France](#)

7:00 AM 4:00 PM

Provence (Marseille), France Located on the Mediterranean coast, Marseille is the oldest city in France and was founded in 600 BC. Amongst the many terracotta-roofed buildings lie many intriguing sights including the Cathedral of Notre-Dame-de-la-Garde. Other places well worth visiting are the city of Avignon and the quaint villages of Le Baux & Aix en Provence.

Sun [Barcelona, Spain](#)

5:00 AM

Mediterranean Cruise

May 31 to June 10, 2012

Miami Ski Club, Inc.

“A social club for all seasons”

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The Miami Ski Club, Inc. (MSC), established in 1968 as a non-profit organization, extends an invitation to all those interested in having fantastic, fun-filled times to join our fabulous trips and the year round outdoor and social events. Participation on trips is limited to current MSC members in good standing.

**Our membership year is from June 1 to May 31
You must renew your membership for 2012-13**

This trip's prices quoted are per person, double occupancy for the Balcony Cabins and Inside Double Cabins. Prices are per person for the single occupancy Studio Cabins. Cancellation and payment schedule is on the reverse side of this application.

Balcony Cabin – Double Occupancy \$3,450

Inside Cabin – Double Occupancy \$3,100

Studio Cabin – Single Occupancy \$3,350

Please try to find me a roommate

I have a roommate

Name: _____

PLEASE MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO THE MIAMI SKI CLUB, INC. AND MAIL TO THE TRIP LEADER, NOT THE CLUB.

MEMBERSHIPS TO BE PAID SEPARATELY TO THE MSC POST OFFICE BOX ADDRESS

Trip Application

NAME OF TRIP	TRAVEL DATES
Mediterranean Cruise	May 31 to June 10, 2012

Last Name _____ Sex _____
First Name _____ MI _____

Address _____
APT # _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____
Cell Phone _____

Email _____
Passport Number _____ Date of Birth _____

Traveling Family Members

Name of Spouse _____
Passport Number _____ Date of Birth _____

Name of Child _____
Passport Number _____ Date of Birth _____

Name of Child _____
Passport Number _____ Date of Birth _____

First Names as it should be on the name badges

I/WE HEREBY ATTEST THAT I/WE HAVE READ, FULLY UNDERSTOOD AND AGREE TO BE BOUND BY ALL OF THE CONDITIONS CONTAINED ABOVE AND ON THE REVERSE SIDE AS WELL AS IN THE TRIP SHEET, OF WHICH I/WE HAVE RECEIVED A COPY

ADULT SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____
SPOUSE SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____
RESPONSIBLE FOR MINORS _____ DATE _____

Signature is required for every person on the tip; if under 18, signature of adult who will accompany and be responsible for the minor is required

RELEASE OF LIABILITY WAIVER AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT: I, and all members of my family, fully understand that the MIAMI SKI CLUB (hereinafter referred to as the "Club") acts only as a coordinator of any ski trips or other Club activities, and is not a Seller of Travel Services as defined by Florida Statutes Chapter 559, as amended, or any similar Federal or State statute or regulation. As such, the undersigned, on behalf of him/herself and all members of his/her family, understands that the Club, as a trip coordinator, accepts no responsibility for the services or products of any person, cruise company, airline, motor coach, hotel, insurance company, or organization whatsoever rendering any of the services or accommodations being offered on any trip. Trips, cruises and other activity fees are based upon current tariffs and are subject to change without notice. The Club accepts no responsibility, in whole or in part, for any delay, delayed departure or arrival, missed air travel or other carrier connections, loss, damage, or injury to person or property, or any mechanical defect or failure of any nature whatsoever, or for any substitution of lodging or a common carrier with or without notice, or for any additional expenses occasioned thereby. I/we fully understand that the Club is a voluntary association run by volunteers only, who are not professionally trained in conducting cruises or other Club activities. As such, by participating in any such trip or Club activity, I/we do not rely upon the expertise of any Director, Officer, Trip Leader, Activity Coordinator, or any of the Assistants on any such trip, I/we hereby agree that I/we are solely responsible for our personal safety and conduct, and that as a participant, my family and I hereby jointly and severally absolve, release, waive, and forever discharge any and all liability, claims, or demands against the Miami Ski Club, Inc. and The Florida Ski Council, Inc., and any of its Officers, Directors, Agents, Trip Leader, and Assistant Trip Leaders which may arise out of or otherwise be related to any injury, damage, or pecuniary loss by reason of any such Club membership or activity or participation in said organization. In further consideration for the mutual benefit derived from the joint participation by membership in the Club, and participation in Club related activities, I/we fully understand that I am responsible for meeting all payment deadlines and obligations to the Club in a timely fashion. Should I/we miss any departure, I/we understand that I may not be able to recover any part of my/our trip or activity payment. Furthermore, I, and my family members, hereby agree that the Club shall not be responsible for either myself or any member of my family who is denied entry into any state, territory, providence, or country because of any prior criminal convictions, civil offenses, or by reason of any rules or regulations propagated by the US Department of Immigration and Naturalization Services including, but not limited to, laws and regulations governing the issuance and renewal of US Passports and/or Travel Visas. Furthermore, I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Club, its Officers, Directors, Agents, Trip Leader, and Assistant Trip Leaders from any and all loss for expenses incurred by or attributable in any way with any ski trip or other Club sponsored activity. I/we agree to abide by the By-Laws, Rules, and Regulations of the Club and the Trip Leaders in connection with any ski trip or other Club activity. Furthermore, should any dispute arise out of my Club membership or participation in any Club sponsored activity or trip, then both the Club and I agree to submit any such dispute for resolution to binding, mandatory arbitration before the American Arbitration Association (AAA) to which we agree that the then current edition of the Commercial Rules of Arbitration of AAA shall apply. Each party shall bear their own cost and expenses incident to said arbitration proceedings. I/we further agree that the Venue for any such arbitration proceedings shall be Dade County, Florida unless otherwise agreed in writing by the parties. I/we further agree that Florida law shall apply to any dispute arising out of or incident to this Agreement.

CANCELLATION POLICY: All cancellation notices must be in writing (letter or e-mail). The date of the cancellation is the date on which the trip leader receives the written notification. Membership dues are not refundable. Please confirm receipt of cancellation with trip leader. **Oct. 21, 2011 –Jan 15, 2012:** The refund will consist of monies deposited, less \$150 per person and any vendor penalties. **After Jan 15, 2012:** Payments made are not refundable. However, Miami Ski Club will make all efforts to recover all possible funds and return them to the participant, less \$250. Please seriously consider trip insurance.

WAIT LIST POLICY: When a trip is full, all extra trip applications will be put on the wait list in the order received. To be put on the wait list, persons must be members in good standing of the MSC, have submitted a completed trip application and a deposit check. Persons on the wait list must notify the Trip Leader in writing if they desire to be removed from the wait list. When space becomes available, they will be notified in writing that they are confirmed on the trip and become subject to all cancellation fees. Upon confirmation of a trip, the balance currently due on the payment schedule must be received by the Trip Leader within seven days. Persons who are on the wait list and who are not offered space on the trip or who withdraw from the wait list prior to being offered space on the trip will be refunded their entire deposit. You may check with the Trip Leader from time to time to determine your status on the wait list.

TRIP PRICES: All prices quoted are based on double occupancy, unless otherwise noted on the trip materials. You must have a roommate assigned to get per person double occupancy rate or be subject to single supplement rates or cancellation. **Initial payment** on or after October 21, 2011: **\$1,000** per person. **Second payment** on or before January 23, 2012: **\$1,000** per person. **Final payment before March 1, 2012:** **\$1,100** for Inside Cabin double occupancy, **\$1,450** for Balcony Cabin double occupancy and **\$1,350** for Studio Cabin single occupancy. For those signing up on the trip on or after March 1, 2012, the payment must be made in full, along with single supplement and/or other charges. If a vacancy becomes available and sign up takes place after May 15, 2012, payment must be either a cashier's check or money order. It is important to adhere to the payment schedule. If payments are not received according to schedule, the trip leader has the right to replace the participant, or if there is no wait list, the Club may need to drop your space. In this event, the Trip's Cancellation Policy will be in effect. Please refer to the terms of this Additional Terms & Conditions form and the trip sheet for further details. Updates and corrections will be posted on the Club website (www.miamiskiclub.com). Changes made after travel has commenced will be subject to any fees levied by the airlines. Changes made once travel has commenced must be made through the MSC tour operator. Prices are based on current tariffs in effect as of printing date. Prices of all trips are subject to change due to unforeseen increases.

NON-TRIP PARTICIPANTS SHARING ROOMS POLICY: Miami Ski Club trips will be limited to only those persons whose applications and payments have been received and confirmed by the MSC office. Attempts at allowing non-trip participants to share accommodations will not be permitted. This policy has been established to protect the Miami Ski Club's reputation with the hotel industry and to avoid inconveniencing other trip participants.

LUGGAGE: As a part of the organization of the trip, the Miami Ski Club makes arrangements for baggage handling during the trip. This may or may not apply during the period of baggage handling for airport check in, depending upon airport security procedures prevailing at the time of the flight.

ACCOMMODATIONS: Every attempt is made to satisfy each accommodations request, with assignments being made on a first come, first-served basis. If the requested accommodations are unavailable, MSC reserves the right to assign the next most suitable accommodations and collect any additional monies due.

ROOMMATES: Roommate preferences must be indicated on trip applications. Any changes or subsequent requests should be made in writing and mailed it to the Trip Leader. Those not requesting specific roommates will be matched as suitably as possible.

TRIP INSURANCE: Trip Interruption insurance is not required but is highly recommended. The Club does not sell trip insurance and is not responsible for the coverage offered by travel insurance vendors.