

August 2005
The Las Vegas Ski &
Sports Club Newsletter



The Inside Edge

TGIF

Friday, August 12th

Agave Bar

6 p.m. Free Munchies

10820 West Charleston Blvd
On their beautiful patio.

Phone: 243-5329

Friday, August 26th

Santora's Bar and Grill

6 p.m. No Host Cocktails

4401 E. Sunset Road
South side, 1/2 mile east of
Green Valley Pkwy

Phone: 451-9464

Ski Trip Sign-up Night

Wednesday, August 17th at 6:30 pm



The August General Membership meeting will be the Ski Trip sign-up night. Our meeting will be at The Stake-Out Bar & Grill, 4800 S. Maryland Parkway, across the street from UNLV. (Behind Wendy's.) The meeting will be held upstairs in the meeting room.

Social hour from 5:30 to 6:30; the meeting starts at 6:30.

The room adjoining the meeting room contains pool tables and seating tables for a place to socialize after the meeting. The downstairs grille offers a wide variety of food choices and the bar offers a happy hour price discount until 6:00 pm.

Meeting Agenda:

1. The trip committee and trip leaders will be there to present this coming year's ski trips and the other non-ski trips.
2. Flyers for the trips will be available.

Come out and sign up for your favorite trip – spots are limited.

Dave Berry, *Club President*

We Are Spreading the Word

We are thinking of new ways to let more people know about our club. Kaydee Puffer and Jim Smith have taken the lead and composed a brochure about our club and its activities. This brochure will be made available at many of the ski shops and sporting goods stores throughout the Las Vegas area. We hope to have it displayed in many locations by the end of August. After they are posted, we will need volunteers to stop by and check each location to make sure we have not run out. If you want to help, please contact Jim at 365-8940.

This new program supports the Board's goal of increasing the membership this year.

Also, be sure and check out our new web site at lasvegasskiclub.com "

Jim Smith, *Publicity Director*

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To phone in address changes contact
Patsy McKenna (MEMBERSHIP) 294-4385.

Director's Column

Dues are Due

It is that time of year again, DUES are DUE. Another year has come and gone, September 1, 2004 to August 31, 2005. We've had many activities, both on and off the slope, the golf course, tennis court, camping, hiking, TGIF's, parties, you name it! We've just about done it all! Many thanks to all who participated and to our trip leaders. Great job!

The dues this year have been raised from \$40.00 a year to \$45.00 a year per member. The \$5.00 increase is the first increase since 1999-2000 year. Many of our operating costs have increased in this time frame, and unfortunately, we needed to raise the dues.

We hope you will renew your membership and continue to make this a truly great club. It takes all of us to do it! The Club provides many different opportunities: meeting other adults from different walks of life and forming lasting friendships, terrific prices on our ski trips, unique and different establishments for our TGIFs, and having fun in the process.

So, please fill out the form (don't forget to fill in all the blanks), sign it and mail it with your check to the Las Vegas Ski and Sports Club at the address listed. Or, you can give it to one of the board members at any of our functions.

Thanks, and waiting to hear from you,

Patsy
Membership Director

TENNIS Tuesday Nights

Bally's Hotel Courts
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Round Robin
(intermediate & advanced)



Contact
Carol McDermott
for more information
at 737-8618

NEWSLETTER POLICIES

Acceptance and cost of advertising are subject to the approval of the Board of Directors, and checks for advertising should be made out to: "Las Vegas Ski and Sports Club".

Mail typewritten articles or news for the newsletter to:

LVSSC Newsletter:
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LVSSC
PO Box 42894
Las Vegas, NV 89116

Or E-mail:
divot49@cox.net

NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING RATES

1/8 page . . . \$15 month • 1/4 page . . . \$30 month • 1/2 page . . . \$60 month
Set-up charge of \$10

POOL PARTY!

Sunday, August 28th
from Noon to 5 PM

at the *MonteLago
Village Resort*

30 Strada Di Villaggio, Henderson



Cost: IT'S FREE!

Thanks to Jim Shaw

Pick Up Pool Pass at Front Desk.

**Bring a covered
dish to pass**

(plastic only)

Make sure your food item is in a cooler!

**Bring Your Own Setups • Water
• Floats • Towel • Sunscreen**

*Also bring your own booze or favorite
beverage. Must be in plastic.*

**Call Nancy for more info.
494-8244**

MESQUITE GOLF GET-A-WAY WEEKEND

Let's get out of town and have a little fun – we have two day golfing packages or maybe you just need a week-end relaxing at one of the best casino resorts in Nevada. With our non-Golfer packages, you can arrange your own Spa packages directly with the Casablanca Spa.....Time to treat yourself to a little fun!

When: Friday through Sunday, Sept 9-11th

Where: Mesquite, NV – Just 80 miles north of Las Vegas on I-15.

WHAT IS BEING OFFERED:

The golfer package costs just \$199 pp/do and includes:

- Friday and Saturday night lodging at the Casablanca Hotel in Mesquite.
- Two days golf – Saturday at Falcon Ridge Golf Course and Sunday at the beautiful Palms Golf Course.
- Group dinner on Saturday with your friends at the Casablanca.

The non-golfer package costs just \$113 pp/do and includes:

- Friday and Saturday night lodging at the Casablanca Hotel in Mesquite.
- Group dinner on Saturday with your friends at the Casablanca
- Your option to add Spa because they have a wonderful Spa at the Hotel.

Be sure and sign up as soon as you can, this wonderful Week-end trip only has space for 24 persons.

Deposit schedule:

- \$50.00 at Sign-up
- Balance due by August 9th. Unless prior agreement reached with trip leader (no refunds after August 9 unless space is filled)

Even if you have stayed at the Casablanca, you will be surprised how this resort has upgraded their property & has become a premier desert resort. It truly is a palm tree laden oasis and the pool complex is one of the best I've experienced, perfect for cooling off after a round of golf.

Contact Dave Berry directly by phone (831-1878) or by email (divot49@cox.net) if you are interested in participating.

Trip Talk....

by Jim Shaw, Trip Director

What's News....

...Your Board of Directors has reestablished monthly meetings at the Stake Out and all ski trips should be available for presentation and sign up at the August meeting. Mark your calendar and be there to secure your reservation, as space will go quickly. Dates, destinations, and approximate pricing are listed in this newsletter and on our web site. As you read this, our trip captains are hard at work negotiating the very best pricing with the various suppliers such as airlines, hotels, ski areas, and transportation companies to ensure the best values for our membership. Pricing should be finalized by the August meeting and it appears most trips are coming in line with the pricing targets set by the trip committee and noted in the newsletter. This will help with your budgeting to get the most ski days for your bucks. Trip captains will be on hand to present their respective trips and answer any of your questions regarding the ski areas, the trip details, and to start taking sign ups at this meeting. This is an exciting schedule this year with travel to some world-class resorts, and your trip committee is to be commended on their selections. ...After discussions with our insurance carrier and after review by the Board, we will now require a signed liability release from each participant on any club sanctioned trip or activity. The form has been simplified and consolidated, and will be made available to all trip leaders. Compliance helps ensure the club receives the very best rates for liability coverage, which helps keep operating costs to a minimum.

Trip Leaders Needed....

...We are looking for volunteers to be assistant trip leaders for all our trips this coming year. No experience is required to be an assistant trip leader. By volunteering, you will receive guidance on the nuances of leading both ski and non-ski trips and be in a position to take over leadership of a future club trip. Your club needs volunteers to help run successful trips for the membership and your time involvement will be minimal as an assistant. Call me (564.4780) or email me (jl.shaw@att.net) if you might be interested or have questions.

Local Trips....

...Dave Berry is leading another of his famous golf weekends to Mesquite on September 9-11, 2005. Be sure and sign up with Dave for this great trip at the August Meeting. There is only room for 24, so make sure you reserve your space as soon as possible. This golf outing will include two night's lodging at the Casablanca Resort including tax, golf on Saturday at Falcon Ridge Golf Course, golf on Sunday at the Palms Golf Course, and a group dinner at the Casablanca. Cost for the entire weekend is only \$199.00 per person, double occupancy. For non-golfers, the weekend will only run \$113.00 per person, double occupancy. Non-golfers can also take advantage of the discounted spa option on this trip. Contact Dave directly by phone (831.1878) or by email (divot49@cox.net) if you are interested in participating.

Tentative Distant Trip Schedule....

...All ski and non-ski trips through April, 2006, will be available for sign up at the August Meeting at the Stake Out. To help with your advance planning, budgeting, and scheduling, dates and destinations are in the trip table in your newsletter. They are subject to change and will be updated as the Board approves the final schedule prior to the August meeting. Space will go fast so early sign ups are recommended. Please note the date change for the Summit County/Vail trip, which will now run from Thursday to Monday, 2/9/06-2/13/06. This trip will now feature four world-class ski days at Beaver Creek, Vail, Copper Mountain, and Keystone with a flight schedule on United requiring only a couple of days off work (Friday and Monday) if you normally have weekends off. ...The Lake Havasu Trip, which is a unique experience combining a guest ranch with horseback riding and a boating day on Lake Havasu, has only 14 spaces left. Trip cost for the weekend is only \$239.00 per person, double occupancy, which includes most meals and all activities. Contact Jim directly by phone (564.4780) or by email (jl.shaw@att.net) if you are interested in participating.



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2005-2006 Tentative Distant Trip Schedule

DATE	DESTINATION	COSTS	CONTACTS
September 9-11 Friday-Sunday	Mesquite Golf <i>Self drive or carpool, 2 nights lodging, 2 days of golf, group dinner.</i>	\$190	Call Dave Berry 731-1878
October 8-10 Saturday-Monday	Lake Havasu <i>Self drive or carpool, 1 night accommodations at Stagecoach Trails and two horseback rides (includes food), 1 night lodging in Lake Havasu with personal watercraft or party boat, or both, lunch and group dinner</i>	\$239	Jim Shaw 564-4780
November 11-14 Friday - Monday	Baja Cruise <i>Air to LAX, transfers to ship, 4 day / 3 night cruise to Mexican Riviera, group margarita party in Ensenada</i>	\$489	Pat Park 645-1184
December 8-11 Thurs. - Sunday	Salt Lake City <i>Drive/Carpool to SLC, 3 nights accommodations, 3 days lifts (choice of Park City, the Canyons, Deer Valley, Alta, Snowbird, or Brighton), group dinner</i>	\$179	Gary George 270-9767
Jan. 6-8, 2006 Friday - Sunday	Brianhead <i>Van or bus, 2 nights accommodations, group dinner.</i>	\$229	Marcia McManus 838-6692 or Carol Schell 361-3771
Jan. 26-29, 2006 Thurs. - Sunday	Lake Tahoe <i>Air to RNO, 3 nights accommodations, lift tickets extra (choice of Squaw, Alpine, Northstar, or Sugar Bowl), group dinner</i>	\$429	Cyndy Bills 361-1769
Feb. 9-13, 2006 Thurs. - Monday	Summit County/Vail <i>Air to DEN, transfers, 4 nights deluxe condo accommodations at Copper Mtn., 4 days interchangeable lifts (choice of Copper, Keystone, and Vail), group dinner</i>	\$849	Jim Shaw 564-4780
Feb. 25- March 4, 2006 Sat. - Sat.	Whistler <i>Air to YVR, transfers, 7 nights accommodations, 6 days lifts, group dinner</i>	\$1,169	Kathy Arrington 658-7851 or Marcia McManus 838-6692
March 23-27, 2006 Thurs. - Monday	Telluride <i>Air to TEX, 4 nights accommodations, 3 days lifts, group dinner</i>	\$1,079	Gary Wattenbarger 645-1184
April 6-9, 2006 Thurs. - Sunday	Mammoth <i>Bus, 3 nights accommodations, group dinner</i>	\$299	Peggy Carson 256-0743
May 4 - 7, 2006 Thurs. - Sunday	Canyon De Chelley Monument Valley, Grand Canyon <i>Bus or Van, 1 night accommodations in Chinle with Canyon de Chelley tour, 1 night accommodations in Kayenta with Monument Valley Tour, 1 night accommodations in Williams with Grand Canyon Railroad excursion to South Rim, group dinner.</i>	\$399	Jim Shaw 564-4780
July 1 - 4, 2006 Sat. - Tuesday	Napa Wine Country (4th of July) <i>Air to SMF, transfers, 3 nights accommodations, winery tours, group dinner.</i>	\$439	TBA
August 18-20, 2006 Friday - Sunday	Reno/Truckee River Rafting <i>Air to RNO, transfers, 2 nights accommodations, river rafting, group dinner</i>	\$419	TBA
Sept. 1-4, 2006 Friday - Monday	Lake Powell Houseboat (Labor Day) <i>Bus, van, or self-drive, house boating for 4 days on Lake Powell. Boat owners invited to bring boats for waterskiing and wakeboarding (fuel reimbursed), nightly activities.</i>	\$429	Jim Shaw 564-4780

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Special Events Calendar

DATE	EVENT	INFORMATION
August 11th Thursday	Board of Directors Meeting	<i>Skinny Dugan's at 6:30pm Phone: 877-0522 4127 W. Charleston Blvd. - Call Dave for info 731-1878. All members are welcome.</i>
August 12th Friday	TGIF	<i>6 p.m. At the Agave Bar on their beautiful patio. Free Munchies 10820 West Charleston Blvd. Phone 243-5329</i>
August 17th Wednesday	Ski Trip Sign-Up Night & General Membership Meeting	<i>Stake-Out Bar & Grill 6:30 pm 4800 S. Maryland Pkwy. Call Dave Berry or any Board member for info 731-1878 All members are encouraged to come.</i>
August 26th Friday	TGIF	<i>6 p.m. Santora's Bar and Grill 4401 E. Sunset Road, South Side, 1/2 Mile East of Green Valley Pkwy. 451-9464</i>
August 28th Saturday	Summer Swim Party	<i>MonteLago Village Resort See article in the Newsletter Call Nancy Mulder for details 494-8244</i>
September 8th Thursday	Board of Directors Meeting	<i>Skinny Dugan's at 6:30pm Phone: 877-0522 4127 W. Charleston Blvd. - Call Dave for info 731-1878. All members are welcome.</i>
September 9-11 Fri, Sat & Sun	Mesquite Golf and Get-A-Way	<i>Golfer package is \$199.00 for lodging, two days golf and a group dinner. Non-Golfer packages are available, see the Mesquite Golf flyer. . . Spa treatments are ordered and paid for separately - Call Dave Berry for more details.</i>
September 21st Wednesday	General Membership Meeting	<i>Stake-Out Bar & Grill 6:30 pm 4800 S. Maryland Prkwy. Call Dave Berry or any Board member for info 731-1878 All members are encouraged to come.</i>
September 30th Friday	TGIF	<i>6 p.m. Nikki Lees Sports Pub and Grille 2640 Sunset Road</i>
Oct. 8-10th Sat. - Monday	Lake Havasu Fun Trip	<i>See the flyer in this newsletter Contact Jim Shaw at 564-4780</i>

Christmas Party

*Saturday, December 3rd at 6pm
at the
Tuscany Suites and Casino.*

Dinner, Dancing and Door Prizes.

*We are planning to have a fun night. Price to be announced soon.
Keep your calendars open for this date!*

Join the Las Vegas Ski and Sports Club
For a Unique and Fun-filled Weekend At Lake Havasu
 October 8-10, 2005

Never before has the club offered such a unique mix of activities on the same trip. We will depart early on Saturday morning for Stagecoach Trails Guest Ranch and enjoy a morning horseback ride (all skills acceptable). After a group lunch, we enjoy the pool prior to hitting the trail again for a spirited and breathtaking afternoon sunset ride. Afterwards, enjoy a poolside group happy hour followed by a group dinner and entertainment around the evening campfire in a serene desert setting. Overnight accommodations are clean and modern with a distinctively western decor.

Enjoy a full breakfast at the Ranch and depart for Lake Havasu on Sunday morning. We will head directly for the marina and secure our 20-passenger motorized catamaran for a full day on the lake. Ski boats and personal watercraft will be at your disposal for a fun-filled activity day. Enjoy a sunset happy hour on the Lake followed by check in at the Hampton Inn. After a quick clean up, join the group for drinks and dinner at the Javelina Cantina. Departure will be early Monday morning for those needing to get back to work, or you can hang out for a leisurely day at Lake Havasu if you don't have to get back too early. Breakfast at the Hampton is complimentary.

Your Lake Havasu Weekend Trip Includes:

- AM horseback ride geared to your skill level
- Lunch at Stagecoach Trails
- Sunset horseback ride geared to your skill level
- Poolside happy hour (BYOB - munchies provided)
- Group dinner at Stagecoach Trails
- Evening entertainment around the campfire
- 1 Night's accommodations at Stagecoach Trails Guest Ranch (double occupancy)
- Breakfast at Stagecoach Trails
- Boating on Lake Havasu including unlimited use of personal watercraft and ski boat
- Lunch and munchies on the lake (BYOB - food provided)
- Dinner at Javelina Cantina
- 1 Night's accommodations at the Hampton Inn in Lake Havasu
- Monday AM Breakfast at the Hampton
- All taxes and gratuities

Cost is only: \$239.00 per person, double occupancy.

Deposit Due: \$50.00 to secure space

Final Payment Due: \$189.00 due by August 26, 2005

Space is very limited, so sign up early. Due to maximum capacities, we cannot expand the space allocation for this trip. Refunds due to cancellation are limited and will be subject to supplier penalties and standard ski club policies and procedures.

For further information or to secure space on this action-packed, inexpensive weekend getaway, contact your Trip Captain:
 Jim Shaw at 702.564.4780 or 602.821.4981 (jl.shaw@att.net)



2006 FWSA European Ski Week
March 11th - 18th, 2006

prices **\$2195 - \$2250**

**** Nicoletta - \$2195

**** Schweizerhof - \$2250

Basic Package Includes:

- Round Trip Air LAX via Swiss Air (SFO upon request)
 - complimentary in-flight meals, drinks & movies
- Round Trip Ground Transfers Zurich airport to Tasch
- Round trip 2nd class rail transfer Tasch to Zermatt
- 7 nights Lodging (dbl. occp) at choice of hotel
- Buffet Breakfast & Dinner Daily
- Welcome Cocktail Party
- And more . . .

WAITING LIST ONLY

Not Included in Package:

- US & Foreign Departure Taxes approx. \$150
- Ski Pass

Pre Trip Extension: Davos - \$890

4 Nights Sunstar Park Hotel****

Breakfast and Dinner Daily -
 Glacier Express transfer Davos - Zermatt

Post Trip Extension: Nile Cruise - est. price \$1500

Deposits:

\$200 Due NOW Make Check payable to "FWSA"
 & send to Tucker Hoffmann

\$25 is non-refundable at of June 1st, 2005
 Cancellation penalties will apply after August 1st, 2005

FOR INFORMATION & RESERVATIONS CONTACT:

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 16969 President Dr., San Leandro, CA 94578
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