



THIS SATURDAY - JUNE 24th - STEAK & SWIM AT ELRODS

If you haven't called Elke Stecher to make your reservation for eating, drinking, swimming, and fun times, DO SO RIGHT NOW! The deadline is NOW! Elke's number is 762-9508. Here are the details to read while you're dialing 762-9508. The date you have - this Saturday, June 24th. The time is 3 p.m. until you're waterlogged either from the pool or the beer. Menu includes steak, baked potato, and tossed salad. The cost is maximum \$4 per person. (Or if you just want to drink beer and bring all your own food then the cost is \$1 per person.) Plates and cups will be provided but bring your own silver and steak knives. Here are the directions on how to get to 18315 Candice Drive, Triangle, Virginia - that's where the Elrods live. From the Beltway, take Interstate 95 South towards Richmond. Get off at the Dumfries-Manassas exit -- Rt. 234. Left on 234 to U. S. 1. Go right on U.S. 1 to State Rt. 1107, (sign Triangle Plaza). At Rt. 1107, also known as Graham Park Road, take a left and go to the dead end. Here you angle right on Cabin Road. Take your second left to Candice Drive and look for all the cars. Name is on mail box. In case you get lost, here is the phone: 221-7014.

PVS PLANNING FRENCH ALPS-TRIP - BOB WYCKOFF LEADER

Tentative plans have been made for an unusual two-week trip (actually 17 days) to the French Alps, leaving Dulles on Air France February 16th and returning March 5, 1973. We'll fly to Geneva and proceed by chartered bus to Avoriaz for the first full week, and then on to Tignes for the second full week. On the second Saturday, we'll fly to Paris for a two night stop-over, before flying directly back to Dulles, arriving about 2:30 p.m. Monday. Due to Washington's birthday being included only 10 days chargeable leave time is required.

This promises to be a memorable trip as these newly developed resorts are two of the greatest in Europe; and as both resorts are themselves over a mile above sea level, good snow conditions are a certainty. I've skied them both and can recommend them highly.

We'll arrive at Avoriaz from Morzine in the valley below by the fastest cable car in Europe. Here horse-drawn sleighs will meet us and take us to our comfortable first-class condominiums (with way-out architecture such as you've never seen). No cars are allowed in the resort. The skiing and scenery are great. The weekly ski pass is also good for both neighboring Champéry and Val d'Illicz in Switzerland, connected with Avoriaz by ski lifts. The ski pass is also good for the swimming pool and other activities. We'll eat at a different restaurant or hotel each night, including going down to the quaint village of Morzine.

The second week we'll spend at Tigne, popularly called "Super-Tigne." This is the highest ski resort in Europe, its base elevation being 6,890 feet, and the peak of La Grande Motte glacier being 11,418 feet. Here they truly ski 365 days a year. It's one tremendous bowl in which you can follow the sun around during the day. And what a complex of lifts - 6 cable cars, 6 chairlifts, and 26 pomalifts. And, if that's not enough with its 120 miles of marked trails, you can ski over to neighboring Val D'Isere, Jean Claude Killey's home town, explore its almost equally fantastic complex, and ski back again the same day. Your lift pass is good at both resorts. I can't find appropriate words to describe it all -- you'll just have to come with us and see. Accommodations will again be in new condominiums, with meals being taken in various restaurants. I've learned the French really have earned their gourmet cooking reputation.

After two weeks of skiing, we'll be ready for two days in Paris -- to rest up??? Only breakfasts will be included in the package here. We may be able to get tickets for the famed Folies Bergere for the whole group for Saturday night. If we do, you'll remember this as a highlight of the trip I guarantee. Sunday is yours to sight see or rest.

Now as to cost -- although these are two of the higher priced resorts, and this is right in the middle of "high season" when travel agents tell you you just can't get a group in, working through Air France, we've come up with what we consider a tremendous deal. Some details are still under negotiation so prices could change slightly. The Basic Package for 17 days including all air and ground transportation, all lodging, including the hotel in Paris, continental breakfasts, and a welcome cocktail party at each resort, is \$390. This is based on double occupancy of two rooms in each condominium, complete with bath, and is payable in three payments of \$130 each; the first due with your application, the 2nd on October 10, and the final one on December 10. If you cancel, there is a \$10 cancellation fee. Details of late cancellations will be worked out later, but we believe they'll be more lenient than on charter trips.

In addition to the Basic Package, we strongly recommend a DeLuxe Package Supplement for \$120 more. This includes weekly ski passes at each resort (approximately an \$89 value), only two persons per apartment (large studio type with private bath), and all dinners (except in Paris). With this supplement, payments would be \$170 each instead of \$130.

To broaden our base to make such a trip feasible, with forty as our planned number of participants, this trip will be run under sanction of the Federal Ski Council, which as you know our club joined last year. You must be a member of the Federal Ski Council (as all PVS members are) in good standing six months prior to flight time to be eligible. Sign up early to be sure you don't miss out. Just send a check for the appropriate amount made out to "FSC '73 French Alps Ski" to: R. L. Wyckoff, 6100 Park Crest Drive, Silver Spring, Md. 20910. Be sure to include full names and addresses of all applicants. Call Bob or Margaret Wyckoff, trip leaders at 589-5532 for more information.

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No forms are required. Just send your check to Elke Stecher, 4 Radburn Court, Rockville, Maryland 20850. Active - \$10, Spouse \$8, Junior \$3, Absentee - \$5, and Absentee Spouse - \$4. So write your check now while you're thinking about it.

NEXT MONTH - WE RAFT THE YOUGHIOGHENY

Sunday, July 30th is the date when PVS'ers will run the Youghiogheny. We will meet at Ohioptyle at 11 a.m., and assemble there to caravan to the put-in-point. The trip is 6 hours long; lunch is provided, and included in the cost of \$10 (rubber raft) or \$15 (Kyak). From the D.C. area, it is approximately a 4-hour drive so it can be a one day outing if desired. Some are making a week-end trip, viewing the olympic whitewater trials on the Savage River on Saturday and having a cook-and-camp out Saturday night. Also doing some general sightseeing in the area. Reservations must be made so do so now by calling Gerry/Sandie Deighton at 424-5707.

INTERNATIONAL DINNER NIGHT ENJOYED BY 39

A round of special thanks go to Don and Pat Cope for coordinating and hosting a memorable evening of food, wine, and good time. Thirty-nine people participated in the tasting of imported cheeses, escargot, borscht, lasagna, enchilladas, creamed chicken, quiche lorraine, greek meat balls, cooked celery, coleslaw, home-made ice cream, hawaiian pie to mention a few. Requests for recipes were numerous, so look for them in coming TOOTS.

DIANE BROADHURST TO CO-EDIT THE TOOT

Beginning with July edition, send copy, call stories, relate press releases, and in general, give all the news you have to Diane Broadhurst, experienced journalist and willing volunteer. Diane will gather, write, edit, censor, and assemble the TOOT copy; Sandie Deighton will then handle the typing, printing, and distribution. This new dual sharing of TOOT responsibilities will reduce the workload and make for a better publication. Here's Diane's number: 762-0346; let her know about your ideas, suggestions, thoughts, and when you have some news -- give her a ring.

MEMBERSHIP INFO

Add to your roster a new member who is really a welcomed back charter member:

Ann M. Jones, 1711 Massachusetts Ave., N. W. (A718), Washington, D. C. 20036
H: 387-3694

Also change the address for Keith and Susan Lyon. Their new address is 8002 Log Cabin Court, Springfield, Virginia 22153
H: 455-2835

Editor's Note: In addition to a new address, the Lyons have a new son - Jason Mathew, born May 10, 1972.

PENNSYLVANIA SKI FEDERATION TRIPS

Feb. 18 - Mar. 4	Phila.-Zurich-Phila.	\$170 - flight only
Feb. 23 - Mar. 10	Phila.-Munich-Phila.	180 - flight only

No trip leaders yet but until further notice contact Ed Crawford (301) 435-0471 for information.

BLUE RIDGE SKI COUNCILby Hank Thomas

The first workshop panel -- Ski instruction and racing -- was held at the BRSC Spring meeting of May 21, 1972. Bob Grasley and Armando Severo discussed the changes to teaching being introduced for the Qualified Amateur Ski Instructor (QASI) Program. The changes speed learning time for both beginner and advanced skier ... Mike Casseday (SCWDS Competition Chairman) suggested that all clubs initiate members into racing with simple slalom courses that would permit maximum enjoyment ... The 1973 Ski-O-Ree is planned for March 3rd-4th at Canaan Valley ... Charnita may increase lift ticket price to \$8; they have offered a block of 5,000 tickets for \$30,000 if purchased before September 1972 ... PVS will host the Fall Meeting of BRSC in September. We will be looking for assistance with preparation at Braddock Heights

BRSC European Sanctioned Flights

- Dec. 23 - Jan. 2 Dulles-Munich package at Val Gardena; \$325
flight and accommodation for 40 skiers
leader: Tony Ferrara
- Feb. 25 - Mar. 18(?) Phila./Dulles-Zurich(Munich) via Lufthansa \$180
flight dates and European stops to be ne-
gotiated;
leader: Bill Stecher
- Mar. 31 - Apr. 15 Dulles-Zurich-Dulles; land package included
1 week at Chamonix, 1 week in Zermat \$350-375
leader: Peter Steinfatt, Newport News 595-1422

Your representatives to the BRSC are Hank Thomas, Bill Stecher and Bob Wyckoff.

SUMMATION OF USEASA CONVENTION Ralph Anderson

304 delegates, 115 alternates and 205 guests were in attendance
The Board of Directors voted acceptance of the committee report recommending the Headquarters of USEASA be moved from Littleton, N. H. The board requested an office be found in one of the 3 recommended towns of Hartford, Pittsfield, or Brattleboro ...

Continental N. American underwriters of the USEASA ski insurance have agreed to underwrite liability insurance covering all USEASA sanctioned events, instructors, judges, etc. No definite decision was made to buy this coverage, but it appears that they will in the near future ... Membership packages are available for new clubs to let them know what they can expect from USEASA ... The Public Relations Committee urged that all members be publicity minded by sending in newsworthy items to the local media. Emphasis was placed on the skiers -- ecologists conflict of interest and it was pointed out that continuing effort will be needed to make the skiers point of view heard ... The role of the area councils to provide liaison between USEASA and the clubs was stressed ... Efforts will be made to work with manufacturers of ski equipment to establish some sort of "Approved" mark for ski equipment. Intentions are to develop and conduct lab tests on bindings. Results of an on-the-hill-binding-check were that only 12% of the bindings being worn were set in the correct range ... There were eleven flights to Europe last season carrying a total of 1,643 people ... Charlie Gibson is leaving the post of USSA president ... The 1973 On the Snow Weekend will be January 13-14 at Waterville, N. H. Package for room and board is \$56 ... General impression was favorable - that the USEASA Organization is dedicated to the interests of the skiers, and has 26 dedicated and experienced directors on the Board.

The PVS Dates for Your Calendar

June 24th - Sreak & Swim Party; Roy & Malda Elrods; 3 p.m.
July 24th - Ex Comm; - 8 p.m., Peggy Lacey's
July 30th - Rubber Rafting - Youghiogheny River
August Crab & Corn Feed at Great Falls
September Trip to Beach
October Camping trip somewhere
October 17th Regular 3rd Tuesday meeting at Vienna Volunteer Fire House
8 p.m. Flame Room
November 4-day Thanksgiving trip to Killington
December 9-10 - Seven Springs Ski Trip
January 13-14 - On the Snow Weekend at Waterville, N. H.
March 3-4 Ski-O-Ree, Canaan Valley

MISC NOTES

Anyone interested in renting a home on Deep Creek Lake for a week's summer vacation, or several people wanting to go together as it sleeps 20+ people; Carol Parmenter has told us of one which rents for \$150 a week. Call the owner - Mrs. Elise Brown at 762-3279 for more details.