



March 2009 Update

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2008-2009 Trips Completed

All three of this season's trips have been completed. In accordance with section 4.B. of our bylaws, membership applications received after the completion date of the last trip (March 22nd) will be valid from now through the 2009-2010 season, until May 31, 2010. See page 6 for a membership application.

Two Board Positions to Be Filled at this May's Election

Two of our board members, Andrea McMahon and Ben Novograd, will be leaving the board at the end of May; they've served the maximum of two consecutive 2-year terms. This leaves two board positions to be filled at this May's election. Any current member can run for a board position. See the president's letter on page 3 for details.

Bowling Rescheduled to April 26th

The bowling originally scheduled for March 13th has been postponed to April 26th, and relocated to Wildcat Lanes in northern Papillion. Time: still 2 to 4 pm. Two games and rental shoes are free to all club members. All members welcome.

Bike Rides to Resume in April

As in past years, we'll be resuming the Sunday morning club bike rides in April. The rides are on the local bike trails, usually between 15 and 30 miles long, and start at 10 in the morning when temperatures are cool, then shift to 9 when things warm up and 8 in the morning in July and August to avoid hot temperatures. Later in the season, we also periodically join the Thursday evening taco ride, on the Wabash Trace trail from Council Bluffs to Mineola. Bike ride messages are sent by email to all club members in the local area 3 to 4 days before each ride. This timing allows planning for weather conditions; we normally start each ride against the wind, and finish the end of the ride with a tail wind to ease the stress on tired participants. Rides won't be scheduled on days with a high likelihood of rain.

April 7th (Tuesday) Board Meeting 6:30 p.m. – Jimi D's, 63rd and Center St

All members welcome.

April 19th (Sunday) Social Gathering Utah Post-Trip Party 6:30 p.m. – Indigo Joe's, 7425 Dodge St

On the south side of Dodge St, near 74th St.
Everyone welcome.

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**April 26th (Sunday) Bowling
2 p.m. to 4 p.m. – Wildcat Lanes, northern Papillion**

1201 Royal Dr, on the east side of 84th St.

Two games and rental shoes are free to all club members.

All members welcome.

**The FSA summer trip to Playa del Carmen, Mexico has
been canceled.**

New and Renewal Members

The Omaha Ski Club welcomes the following new and renewal members:

Garth B.

Tom W.

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President's Letter

The Omaha Ski Club has completed another successful ski season with a group of members having just returned from Snowbasin and Powder Mountain in Utah. As we wind up the season, it's time to thank the board members who are now completing their second two-year term of office. Omaha Ski Club by-laws require term limits. Therefore, there are two members finishing up their second term in office who must be replaced to keep the Ski Club moving forward and the board fully staffed. Ben Novograd and I are finishing the second year of our second term. We need new members to come forward to volunteer for a spot on the Board of Directors.

The Omaha Ski Club is preparing for our annual election for new board members. Our board members have staggered terms for continuity. The terms of the two retiring board members expire at the end of May. We need you! Actual voting will be in May, with votes tabulated at the Election Party at the end of the month. Watch for details about the Election Party as we complete our planning.

If you are interested in a position on the board of the Omaha Ski Club, please contact our president, Andrea McMahon, at 553-7620 (president@omahaskiclub.org) or Ben Novograd, our secretary, at 291-5704 (secretary@omahaskiclub.org) right away. All current members are eligible to run for a seat on the five-person board of directors. The by-laws require us to prepare and distribute the election ballots to all current members by two weeks before the election party; to do this, we need candidate information by April 26th.

This is your opportunity to make sure your opinions are heard. It also allows you to represent the interests of your friends and fellow OSC members. We welcome input and ideas from new board members (and all active club members). Board membership requires your attendance at one meeting conveniently scheduled in the evening each month. Together we can make the Omaha Ski Club a great athletic club and social organization.

Please consider volunteering your time and skills to the Omaha Ski Club.

Andrea McMahon - OSC President

Ben Novograd - OSC Secretary

Copper Mountain FSA Trip January 28-February 1, 2009

40 members of the Omaha Ski Club gathered at Copper Mountain for the annual Flatlands Ski Association Trip. Several people arrived early and skied an extra day or two. We had sunny skies and cold temperatures the first couple of days.



Thursday after skiing all day, 8 club members participated in the Snowshoe races. Len Szmurlo, Teri Hammon, Mary Soar and Joe Dotzler made up Team One and Kim Lee, Ellen Forster, Tom Wehling and Alan Cook made up Team Two. Most of the members who participated had never worn snowshoes before. Len was helpful at assisting all of us with the straps. We tried our best coming from the flatlands and wound up last in both races. It was a fun experience. Next year we will practice before we agree to do these.



Next was the après ski at Jacks with Lefty Lucy and Nick. They had the girls dancing on the bar.



The FSA welcome party that evening was the usual potato bar with numerous toppings. It was nice to socialize with old friends from the members,



other clubs. One of our past Carol Smith, joined us.



We welcomed new members, Judy and Richard Gray, Alan Cook and Dawn Bailey. Phil handed out race bibs. Cynde helped Phil with the raffle tickets. Afterwards, several members went back to Pat & Cynde's condo for a game of Farkle.





Friday was race day. Phil participated in the challenge races and placed 2nd. Many other members of our club raced and did well enough to earn NASTAR medals. The snow on the race course was great and the bright sunlight made visibility good.



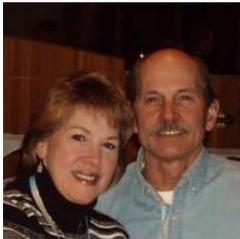
Saturday some people had to race again due to technical difficulties the previous day. Alan Cook competed in the snowboard racing. The weather improved and was a little warmer with less wind. Kim, Ellen and Ben took the Tucker Mtn snow cat to the top. The poma lift also ran and many of us enjoyed the back bowls and the great powder.



On Saturday evening, FSA hosted the awards banquet. This consisted of a Mexican buffet complete with tacos, toppings and salad. Our club placed 8th out of nine clubs in overall point standing. This was the **first** time in several years that we did not place LAST. Thanks to all the members who participated in the ski, snowboard and snowshoe races. After the awards banquet, there was music and dancing for those who wanted to party till the end (and there weren't very many this year).



Most people got up very early to drive back to Omaha for Super Bowl parties. Some did get the half-day skiing in before they had to return home. Thanks to everyone for making this another successful trip to Copper Mountain.



Pat & Cynde McCall
Trip Captains

**OMAHA SKI CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
JUNE 2009 – MAY 2010**

MEMBERSHIP STATUS: NEW ____ RENEWAL ____ FAMILY \$25 ____ SINGLE \$22 ____

MEMBER INFORMATION - - - PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Name: _____ Spouse: _____

Street Address: _____ City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Work Phone: (____) _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____

Email Address: _____

Check this box if you are 21 years or older. For family membership, list all dependent minors on back of application.

If new member, how did you hear about the club? _____

Ski/Snowboard destinations you're interested in: _____

Activities you're interested in: Biking____ Bowling____ Dinners____ Other____
(please list)

Other Interests: (please list) _____

NOTE: BY SIGNING THIS APPLICATION I RELIEVE THE OMAHA SKI CLUB, INC. (OSC) OF ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR ACCIDENT OR INJURY I INCUR WHILE PARTICIPATING IN ANY OSC ACTIVITIES. I ALSO CERTIFY THAT I AM OF LEGAL DRINKING AGE IN THE STATE OF NEBRASKA.

SIGNATURE _____ **DATE** _____
(Must be signed and dated)

[OSC USE ONLY] MEMBERSHIP NO. _____ BD. _____ TR. _____ NL. _____

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