# July 2022 Update

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### 2022-2023 Trips

January 27-February 3 – Whitefish, MT, FSA trip, fly out. See the flyer on page 5. February 25 - March 4 - Mammoth, CA CMSC trip, fly out. See the flyer on page 6. Additional trips are also being worked.

## Upcoming Events.

August 10th (Wednesday) 6:30 p.m. **Board Meeting** Peony Park Hy-Vee #5, 7910 Cass St, Omaha At the north end of 78th St beyond Cass St. All members welcome.

### August 14th (Sunday) 2:00 p.m. Summer Party at Dale Weinstein's country cabin 16914 Middle Lane, Gretna NE

We had a nice turnout Last Sunday at Surfside. Several danced to the live music of Taxi Driver, the featured cover band. Oh, and the catfish was especially delicious!

Our gathering will be at Dale and Kay Weinstein's cabin, located at 16914 Middle Lane, Gretna. See details in the flyer on page 4.

Directions to Dale's cabin:

- 1. Take I-80 West to Exit 432 (NE Crossings/Hwy 31).
- 2. Turn RIGHT on Hwy 31.
- 3. Turn LEFT on Hwy 6 (at the stoplight).
- 4. Turn RIGHT on 255<sup>th</sup> Street, before the Linoma Beach lighthouse. (If you cross the river, you have gone too far!) Proceed over the railroad tracks and down the hill.
- 5. Turn LEFT and go through the gate.
- 6. Turn RIGHT on Middle Lane.

The cabin is **RED** and on the left-hand side of the road. We look forward to seeing you there! Pebbles

### September 7th (Wednesday) 6:30 p.m. **Board Meeting**

Peony Park Hy-Vee #5, 7910 Cass St, Omaha

At the north end of 78th St beyond Cass St. All members welcome.

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### **Membership**

We would like to welcome our newest members: Tom and Meg Bonnichsen!

We also welcome back: Billy Coghill and Jean Coleman!

If you have not renewed your membership for the 2022-2023 Season, please do so soon. The Membership application can be found on our website at: <u>http://www.omahaskiclub.org/how to join the omaha ski club.htm</u> and in this newsletter on page 7. Renew before September 30<sup>th</sup> to save \$5!

## **Trips Update**

I hope everyone is having a great summer! It is a bit toasty outside, but we have had some nice social gatherings by the water. Now, let's think about snow! Yes, the white stuff and cold temperatures and skis and having fun on the slopes! We are going to Whitefish! We have 34 spots reserved and 21 signups so far. I will be <u>dropping rooms by the end of September</u> and the Tulsa club has already asked for anything that we drop. <u>We will not be able to get them back.</u> I know you are tired of me saying this, but *sign up NOW!* Don't ask me in December if we have rooms, the answer will be no. If you are planning on this trip, NOW is the time to sign up!

Mammoth Trip has 12 spots and 6 signups as of now. We have offered spots to the Cornhusker Ski Club, if there are members who wish to join us for the week. Again, if you plan to join us at Mammoth, sign up now!

We are working on a couple more trips for the season. More information soon!

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## **New VP of Activities - Pebbles Forster**

Let me introduce myself. I am your new VP of Activities. My name is Pebbles Forster. Ellen Forster introduced me to the Omaha Ski Club in 2018, then taught me how to ski.

On my first day of skiing, I spent more time on the ground than upright because, yes, I fell that many times. Ellen eventually decided it was time I go up the lift. I fell immediately getting off the lift. Once I got myself adjusted and psyched up enough to attempt to ski down hill, we were off. I watched other skiers – including little tykes who had barely learned to walk. Surely if they could do it, I could, too, right?

Off I go, listening to Ellen's instructions and trying to follow her gentle, graceful movements. But then, it came time to turn. No matter what I did, my skis wouldn't turn! It's like they had a mind of their own. With the run's side



boundary quickly approaching, I had to do something! I tried snowplowing, and I only went faster! My only alternative was to fall. So, that's what I did.

Every pass from side to side of the run, the same thing. The skis wouldn't turn. They wouldn't slow down. I ended up on the ground. Whose idea is it to attach waxed boards to a person's feet and attempt controlled sliding down a hill of icy snow anyways?!

I finally got down that hill. It only took an hour. I know what you're thinking. It must have been a big hill, right? Ummmm, not so much. It was Mt. Crescent in Iowa in January of 2019.

Since then, I've taken several lessons. I've truly enjoyed learning to stay upright on my skis and the many trips we've taken these last few years. Thank you to everyone who has cheered me one and/or taken the time to share their tips and insights. I continually strive to improve my technique with every ski trip. Gliding those blue cruisers with Ellen has become one of my favorite activities.

Enough about me learning to ski. You're probably wondering what experience I bring to the Omaha Ski Club board. Over the years I've worked in various office environments and planned logistics for many social events and conferences.

I served on the boards of Omaha Women's Connection (a local chapter of Stonecroft Ministries) and Wordsowers Christian Writers Group. While with Wordsowers, I designed graphics, scheduled speakers, organized content, and advertised their annual writers' conferences, resulting in attendance growth. Each year we broke previous attendance records, growing from 30 local attendees to 500 attendees from over 15 states within 3 years.

As a business owner, I managed a team of remote assistants (who worked from their location instead of commuting to my office) and worked with authors at all stages of getting their books published. I developed and managed social media platforms, from press releases to website development, media content creation, and audience engagement.

Ellen and I enjoy an active life, which includes cycling, golfing, kayaking, hiking, bowling, skiing and going to the gym. I love building gardens, taking pictures, walking our puppies, gathering people, and living life to its fullest with Ellen.

It's a Summer Party

# Saturday August 14, 2022

# 2 PM until?? Dale Weinstein's Cabin

Please join us at Dale & Kay Weinstein's cabin on the Platte River for a summer party! The cabin is on the Platte River, so bring your swimsuits, kayaks, and floats. A few kayaks will be provided. Hotdogs and hamburgers will be grilled and ready. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Sit on the deck and enjoy life!

Directions to Dale's cabin at 16914 Middle Lane, Gretna:

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the river, you have gone too far!) Proceed over the railroad tracks and down the hill.

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The cabin is **RED** and on the left-hand side of the road.

If you get lost, please call Dale at 402-630-5649. We look forward to seeing you there!

PLEASE RSVP TO <u>omahaskiclub@gmail.com</u> SO WE HAVE PLENTY OF FOOD.

See you there!



# Whitefish MT



January 27 – February 3, 2023 (FSA Events January 28-February 1, 2023) Base price: \$700 Additional: Lift Tickets, Airfare/Transfers

Spend the week with fellow Flatland Ski Association (FSA) members at the beautiful Lodge at Whitefish! Ski 4-7 days at Whitefish and enjoy the magnificent views and "snow ghosts" on your decent. You won't be disappointed! This trip includes:

- 7 nights lodging at the Lodge at Whitefish in 2 bed/2 bath Lakefront condos. Lakefront hot tub and an indoor pool and hot tub. Complementary snowshoes, free parking and free Wi-Fi. Check-in is 4 PM; Check-out is 11 AM.
- Social gathering hosted by the trip captain TBD
- FSA Welcome Party at the Lodge at Whitefish on Saturday
- Racing for those who want to participate-participation is optional but encouraged!
- FSA Awards Banquet at the Lodge at Whitefish Tuesday evening
- AIRFARE-<u>PLEASE SPECIFY IF YOU WILL BE FLYING ON YOUR TRIP APPLICATION</u>
  Please book your own air (it is cheaper than what we can get group air)
  (Not included in base pricing)
- Transfers from Kalispell to The Lodge (Round-trip) add \$22 (Not included in base price)
- Lift tickets (not included in base pricing) 196.80 Adult 4 of 7 lift ticket 246.00 Adult 5 of 7 lift ticket 295.20 Adult 6 of 7 lift ticket 168.00 Senior 64-69/teen 13-18 4 of 7 day lift ticket 210.00 Senior 64-69/teen 13-18 5 of 7 day lift ticket 252.00 Senior 64-69/teen 13-18 6 of 7 day lift ticket 62.40 70+ Senior 4 of 7 day lift ticket 78.00 70+ Senior 5 of 7 day lift ticket 93.60 70+ Senior 6 of 7 day lift ticket
- FSA Tee shirts (optional) may be preordered. Pricing \$15 Unisex short sleeve, \$20 Unisex long sleeve and women's long sleeve

### Trip Captain: Teri Hammon

. Phone: 402-680-0971 Email: dragonsrock@cox.net

Membership is required in either the Omaha Ski Club or one of our reciprocal membership clubs. No additional dues will be required. Prices subject to change.

Payment Schedule: Due at signing (now): \$100 August 1, 2022: \$250 September 1, 2022: \$250 October 1, 2022: \$250 November 1, 2022: remaining balance plus optional items

Mail Payments to: Omaha Ski Club, PO Box 3104, Omaha NE 68103-0104



## CMSC Chicago Week 2023 at Mammoth! February 25-March 4, 2023

Only 12 spots available

**Cost:** \$1680 Adult with 5-day Lift Ticket NO air/transfers;

\$1615 Senior (65-79) with 5-day Lift Ticket NO air/transfers; \$1305 Adult/Senior (NO air/transfer NO lift ticket-IKON Pass, 80+, NON skiers);

Join the Omaha Ski Club as we venture to Mammoth Mountain CA to join the Chicago Metropolitan Ski Council

(CMSC) for some fun days skiing and partying. Mammoth Mountain Ski Resort boasts the highest summit elevation in the state of California at 11,053 ft. It also averages an impressive 400 inches of annual snowfall for one of the longest ski seasons in the state that can sometimes last well into the summer as late as July and August, weather permitting. Located in the southwest corner of the volcanic Long Valley Caldera on the eastern edge of California's Sierra Nevada Mountain Range, Mammoth Mountain lives up to its name by offering more than 3,500 skiable acres, a 3,100 ft. vertical drop and enough beautiful terrain for all levels of skiers/riders. This trip includes: (the scheduled dates may change) your trip captain will provide a schedule prior to the trip departure.

- Seven nights lodging at The Juniper Springs Condos, 2 bedroom/2 bath condos. https://www.juniperspringsmammoth.com/
- 5-day lift tickets (not required if you are an IKON Pass holder or over 80+ years old) (see pricing above for 65– 79 year-old)
- Welcome reception Sunday (February 26<sup>th</sup>) at Eagle Lodge
- Mountain Tours available
- NASTAR Race Monday (February 27<sup>th</sup>)
- On Mountain Picnic at Tusks Monday (February 27<sup>th</sup>)
- Pub Crawl TBD Monday (February 27<sup>th</sup>)
- Après Ski Parties Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> and Friday March 3<sup>rd</sup> TBD
- Dinner Banquet with music and dancing Thursday March 2nd
- CMSC event credential
- (Optional) Additional 6<sup>th</sup> day lift ticket: \$76 Adult, \$62 Senior (65-79), 80+ ski free.
- Ski at June Mountain (great area) (same lift ticket or IKON pass) optional on Wednesday March 1<sup>st</sup> or take a day off and do some tubing or snowshoeing

CMSC is flying into Reno NV (RNO) airport which is 2.5 hours from the resort. There are also limited flights into Bishop (BIH) which is 42 miles from Mammoth Lakes. The above prices DO NOT include airfare or transfers. Pricing for transfers will be \$145 round trip additional to above pricing. For those booking their own air, try for early flights with arrivals around 1300 into Reno or 1420 into Bishop. Trip captain will require your flight itinerary to coordinate your transfers.

### Trip Captain: Teri Hammon Phone: 402-680-0971 Email: <u>dragonsrock@cox.net</u>

Membership is required in either the Omaha Ski Club or one of our reciprocal membership clubs. No additional dues will be required if you are a current member of your club, only a reciprocal membership application. Membership and Trip Applications can be found on our website: <u>www.OmahaSkiClub.com</u>. Prices subject to change. Payment Schedule: Due at signing (now): \$100 September 1, 2022: \$350 October 1, 2022: \$350 November 1, 2022: \$250 December 1, 2022: \$350 + optional items January 1, 2023: \$280 or remaining balance Mail Payments to: Omaha Ski Club, PO Box 3104, Omaha NE 68103-0104

### OMAHA SKI CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION JUNE 2022 – MAY 2023

**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.

Other Interests: (please list)

| SIGNATURE      | DATE                 |    |      |      |
|----------------|----------------------|----|------|------|
| (Must          | be signed and dated) |    |      |      |
| [OSC USE ONLY] | MEMBERSHIP NO        | BD | _ TR | _ NL |

Mail to: Omaha Ski Club, P.O. Box 3104, Omaha, NE 68103-0104

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of this application and understands and agrees to be bound by them as a condition of participation in this trip. The member further agrees that the club, its directors or committee chairmen shall bear no financial responsibility to members in the event of a delayed departure or return of a trip, or for cancellation of a trip except as provided in items 7 through 10 of the trip policies, nor shall they be liable for any bodily injury, property damage, loss of personal property, or death sustained by or caused by any member on a trip. Those individuals causing property damage at the lodges, condos, busses, ski areas, etc. shall bear the full legal and financial responsibility for the damages. It is a condition of membership in the club that any individual shall be deemed to have accepted these responsibilities and limitations of liability as a consideration of joining the club and participating in this trip.

### SIGNATURE

date [OSC use only] deposit: amount paid ck no

### **OMAHA SKI CLUB TRIP POLICIES**

1) Trip captain is the final authority on and during the trip.

2) Club members will conduct themselves in a mature manner at all times.

3) There will be a \$28.00 charge (subject to change according to bank fees) on any returned check.

### **TRIP SIGN-UP, DEPOSITS AND PAYMENTS**

4) Only members in good standing with dues currently paid to the Omaha Ski Club may sign up for a trip. Children under the age of 19 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian on the trip. A trip application for a child under the age of 19 must be signed by a parent or guardian of the child.

5) By signing up for a trip a member agrees to pay the Club the full cost of the trip applied for, subject to the provisions for timely cancellation in item #7. Each trip will have its own trip deposit and payment schedule to be set by the trip committee. A deposit is required to sign up for a trip. Failure to meet the payment schedule may result in automatic cancellation from the trip subject to the cancellation fee in item #7.

6) When a trip is full the trip captain will start a waiting list. To be placed on the waiting list a member must fill out and sign a trip application and pay the standard deposit for that trip. Waiting list members must meet the payment schedules when moving to the confirmed lists.

#### **CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS**

7) Unless otherwise listed in individual trip information, cancellations prior to 60 days before the trip departs will result in a cancellation fee of \$50.00; cancellations less than 60 days before the trip departs will result in a cancellation fee of \$100.00 if the trip goes full, or liability for the full cost of the trip if the trip does not go full. Any cancellation fees or penalties may first be deducted from payments the member made for the trip. Medical cancellations will be reviewed by the Board for refund determination. 8) Transferring from the waiting list on one trip to a confirmed list on another trip will be done with no cancellation fee. Refusal to move from the waiting list to the confirmed list will constitute automatic cancellation subject to the cancellation fee in item #7 above.

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9) If a trip is cancelled by the club, all money paid to the club by a member for that trip will be refunded. 10) All members on the waiting list when the trip departs will receive a full refund.

11) No refunds will be made until after the trip returns.

#### **BUS TRIPS**

12) Smoking on buses is prohibited.

13) Any time the bus stops enroute to its destination, passengers leaving the bus will do so at their own risk. 14) The Omaha Ski Club will not provide alcoholic beverages for any bus trip. If any members wish to consume alcoholic beverages on the trip, they can do so at their own expense, and assume all risks and liabilities associated with such consumption.