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2023-2024 Trips

December 10-15 – Snowmass, CO, drive out. See the flyer on page 5. January 20-27 - Steamboat, CO, FSA trip, drive out. See the flyer on page 6. February 4-9 - Taos, NM, drive out See the flyer on page 7. February 24 - March 2 - Banff, Canada, CMSC trip, fly out. This trip is full - waitlist available. See the flyer on page 8.

Upcomíng Events

October 3rd (Tuesday) 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.

October 22nd (Sunday) 6:30 p.m. Social Gathering and Spaghetti Dinner Old Market Spaghetti Works, 502 S 11thSt, Omaha

Near the center of the Old Market district. Join us for all-you-can eat pasta. Other traditional Italian specialties also available. Everyone welcome.

November 7th (Tuesday) 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.

November 12th (Sunday) 6:00 p.m. Social Gathering and Pizza Dinner Big Fred's Pizza Garden and Lounge, 1101 S 119thSt, Omaha

In the strip mall on the SE corner of Pacific St and 119th St. Burgers, sandwiches, pasta, catfish and chicken also available. Everyone welcome,

December 5th (Tuesday) 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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Membershíp September 2023

We would like to welcome our new member and those who have renewed their memberships for this coming season:

New memberships: Kelly Cave, referred by Mark & Cindy Johnson

Renewals: Greg & Adrianne Duracinski Debbie Williamson

Reciprocal Members: Kathy Spahr & Chris Lohry, both from Cornhusker Ski Club Scott & Denice Branum, from the Kansas City Ski Club Welcome!

Revew your membership now for the 2023-2024 season. <u>The price increases after September 30th.</u>

Refer/Recruit

Any member will receive a \$25 trip credit for referring/recruiting new_members when they join the Omaha Ski Club. Help us grow our membership and spread the word that the Omaha Ski Club does exist. (One \$25 trip credit for each new membership single or family)

Terí Hammon Membership

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It's all about our members!



Tríps Update September 2023

Only a few spots left! Going...going...GONE! Get your spot locked in now!

- Last chance to sign up! First trip of the season, we will be going to Snowmass with the Cornhusker Ski Club December 10-15, 2023. The cost is \$550 plus lift tickets, if you are not an IKON Pass holder. There are 18 spots and 17 are filled. We have **one spot left** (either male or female) and I am starting a wait list. This is a drive-out trip. See Trips Flyer
- Next, FSA will be going to Steamboat January 20-27, 2024. The cost of the trip is \$1185 plus lift tickets if you are not an IKON pass holder. This is a week-long trip. We will be staying at the Timber Run Condos which are 2- or 3-bedroom condos with full kitchens. They have private shuttles to the mountain. The outdoor hot tubs are nice! There are only 22 spots. We have 17 signed up so far. THERE ARE ONLY 4 SPOTS LEFT. See trip flyer for more information. Please be aware of the "2 parking spots per condo unit" This is new for this year. Any additional vehicles will have to pay to park. Since this is a drive-out trip, find people that you can carpool with.
- Early February, we will be going to Taos NM February 4-9, 2024, The cost of the trip is \$430 plus lift tickets. We have booked 12 spots at the Hampton Inn in Taos. We have 6 signed up. There are 6 spots left at this time. This is a drive out trip.
- In February, CMSC will be going to Banff, Alberta, Canada for a week 2/24-3/2/2024. See trip flyer for pricing. We will coordinate air & transfers with CMSC. You will need a passport. We will stay in the town of Banff at the Caribou Lodge. The town is a great place to explore if you are a non-skier. All three of the mountains (Sunshine, Mt Norquay and Lake Louise) are on IKON (SKIBIG3). <u>The pricing includes lift tickets, so it will be less if you have an IKON pass.</u> We have 22 signed up. The trip is full with 22 spots reserved. I will put people on the wait list if you want to go on this trip. When I get double occupancy, I will try to get another room added. Just send a deposit and trip application as soon as possible if you want to go with us!

For the group going on the Banff Trip, I am checking with the CMSC tour operator regarding group air. I will send the Banff group more information within the next couple weeks as to whether we get group air or book our own individual air. I will email the group soon.

I am still looking to get a trip together for March...stay tuned.

Terí Hammon Vice President of Trips

Presídent's Letter



Phil Bintz

As we get ready for the 2023-2024 season, we start to prepare for the cooler temps and the fall colors. Snow is already falling on the tops of some mountains. I get excited when I see the Facebook posts of the snow covering the ground. Ski season is almost here!

We have some great trips planned this year. We start the season with a trip to Snowmass with the Cornhusker Ski Club. The Tamarack Condos are a perfect place to stay and Snowmass is a beautiful place to ski. Hopefully, Mother Nature will bless us with early season snowfall. This trip is followed by the Flatland Ski Association trip to Steamboat January 20-27, 2023. We will stay at Timber Run Condos, with great outdoor

hot tubs and their own shuttle service to the ski area. There are many changes to the base area at Steamboat including an escalator! They moved the gondola over and built the Range Food and Drink Hall. The new Wild Blue Gondola is the longest and fastest 10 person gondola in North America. It has a mid-station at Bashor bowl, where our racing takes place, and continues to the top of Sunshine Peak. Top to bottom is 13 minutes! Total length is 3.16 miles with 10,000 people per hour. Very impressive! The have also expanded the terrain by 650 acres of expert/advanced terrain in an area called Mahogany Ridge. I cannot wait to spend the week here. Come help us explore the changes Steamboat has made! Following this trip, we will spend five days in Taos, NM. Last time we explored this area, the snowfall was a little sparse. Hopefully, we chose a time for great skiing! We will stay downtown at the Hampton Inn. Taos is a great town full of art and culture. Finally, we fly to Banff Canada to ski the Big3-Sunshine Village, Mt. Norquay and Lake Louise. We are staying in the town of Banff, near the shopping and restaurants. We stay at the Caribou Lodge with a beautiful indoor hot tub. The ski shuttle bus picks us up at the door and there is also a free ROAM bus stop nearby that will take you around town. Teri is still working on putting together yet another trip for March. We can never have enough skiing!

I want to thank our members for renewing their memberships and welcome everyone to the club! As a result of our recruiting efforts, we have a few new faces and we have welcomed back members who have been absent for a few years. We like to see new members and welcome their ideas. The club does offer our members a \$25 trip voucher for each new membership (single or family) that they bring in. The larger we grow our membership, the better deals we can get for lodging. Most places like groups of 20. So get out there and get your friends and family members to come with us! The more the merrier!

Pebbles has also done a good job planning Social Events, going to new places and spreading them out throughout the city. Everyone is welcome to join us at any of our social gatherings. Come meet other fellow sports enthusiasts! Visit our website at omahaskiclub.org for updated information. Ben does an excellent job keeping our events current as well as posting all those pictures that Teri likes to take. Thank you both! Also, save the date, November 26, 2023, for the showing of the Teton Gravity Research's film *Legend Has It.* It is being hosted by Mt Crescent Ski Patrol at the Alamo Drafthouse Cinema in LaVista.

I want to close by saying "Thank You" to all of our members, reciprocal clubs and Board members who keep the Omaha Ski Club alive and going strong! Please join us on one or all of our trips and at the social gatherings to meet others and have some great conversations. Oh the stories we hear....

Cheers to the 2023-2024 Ski Season! Let it Snow!



December 10-15, 2023 Drive-Out Cost: \$550 plus lift tickets (see below) WE HAVE ONLY 1 SPOT LEFT!



Join the Omaha Ski Club as we join with the Cornhusker Ski Club for a joint trip to Snowmass CO. It is early season and we must get those legs in shape for all the great trips this year! We will be staying at the lovely Tamarack Condos which are located across the street from the snow. Either shuttle to the village or walk a short distance to the lift. This trip includes:

- 5 nights lodging at the Tamarack Condos in Snowmass with the beautiful outdoor hot tubs and pool area. These are 2 or 4 bedroom condos with full kitchens.
- Welcome Party
- Lift tickets optional (Full IKON Pass has 7days, IKON Base PLUS Pass has 5 days)
- Lift tickets Adult 3-day \$264.00 or 4-day \$352.00
- Senior Lift Tickets (65+) 3-day \$216.00 or 4-day \$288.00

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. (Prices subject to change) Payment Schedule: \$100 due at signing \$150 due September 1, 2023 \$200 due October 1, 2023 Remaining balance due November 1, 2023

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



Grab your friends and join the Omaha Ski Club on the Flatlands Ski Association trip to Steamboat Springs, Colorado. This is a great trip for those who wish to party, have fun, race and meet new friends. They have added new lifts, have some new runs and made it easier to get up the mountain. If you haven't been here in a while, now is the time to check it out! This trip includes:

- 7-nights lodging at Timber Run 2 or 3 bath Condos- Check-in @ 4 PM 1/20 and check out @ 10 AM 1/27
- A club welcome or farewell party TBD
- FSA welcome party <u>Monday</u> at Thunderhead-top of the gondola-cash bar, free Boulevard beer, DJ, dancing. Foot pass is NOT needed for gondola ride for non-skiers.
- Après ski specials TBD
- FSA Awards banquet at Thunderhead or Steamboat Grand TBD Thursday evening
- NASTAR racing (friendly competition between clubs)
- Snowshoe races between clubs (if interested, let your trip captain know)
- 1-7 days of skiing lift tickets purchased with trip sign-up Daily rate \$120 or IKON Pass
- FSA Activity Pass for the FSA events during the week
- FSA Tee shirt optional Cost \$15 short sleeve, \$20 long sleeve Pre-ordered.
- Lift tickets not needed with IKON pass (Full IKON-unlimited days) (Base pass -5 days)
- Open Race (2 runs) <u>optional</u>. Cost \$30 open to anyone who wants to make a couple NASTAR runs from the higher starting point.
- Many things to do in and around Steamboat for non-skiers (snowshoe, cross country skiing, dog sled, snow mobiles, shopping, bars, restaurants, museums, hang out on the mountain with a gondola foot pass (daily rate \$35 purchased in advance)
- ONLY 2 parking spots per Condo Unit. Paid lot available if more than 2 per unit.

Trip Captain: Teri Hammon Phone: 402 680-0971 Email: <u>dragonsrock@cox.net</u> Payment Schedule: Due at signing: \$100 September 20, 2023 \$300 October 20, 2023 \$500 November 20, 2023 \$\$ remaining balance

Make checks payable to: Omaha Ski Club PO Box 3104 Omaha NE 68103-0104

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Taos New Mexico

Sunday February 4 to Friday February 9, 2024 Drive-out Cost: \$430 plus lift tickets Only 6 spots left!



We are returning to Taos New Mexico! Grab your friends and join the Omaha Ski Club for a trip to the southwest. Enjoy downtown Taos, known for its historic adobe buildings, many galleries and museums showcasing regional artwork. But most of all, come for the skiing! This trip includes:

- Five nights lodging at the Hampton Inn Taos, 1515 Paseo Del Pueblo S, Taos NM 87571 The hotel is located in town and we will carpool to the ski area daily.
 Free breakfast, free parking, pet friendly, free Wi-Fi, laundry facilities, indoor pool & hot tub.
 Microwave, refrigerator and coffee maker in rooms.
 Check-In Sunday February 4, 2024 at 3:00 PM
 Check-Out Friday February 9, 2024 at 11:00 AM
- Welcome Party TBD
- IKON Pass destination with 7 days on the full IKON pass or 5 days on the IKON Base Plus Pass Lift tickets, if not a full or Base Plus IKON pass holder, can be purchased on-line on the Taos website or ask an IKON pass holder to get a buddy pass.

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



Payment Schedule: \$100 due at signing \$100 due October 1, 2023 \$100 due November 1, 2023 Remaining balance due December 1, 2023

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Chicago Week 2024

Ski Big 3-Sunshine Village, Mt. Norquay and Lake Louise

February 24 – March 2, 2024 Price per package- Airfare separate

	Adult or Senior-NO air-NO transfers-NO lifts
890	(IKON & 80+ & non-skiers) drive-out
	Adult or Senior-no air with transfers-NO Lifts
955	(IKON & 80+ & non-skiers)
4.400	Adult (E dou lift pkg) po oir with transfere
1400	Adult (5 day lift pkg)-no air-with transfers
	Adult (5 day lift pkg)-no air-with transfers-
1485	plus 6th day lift
	Senior (65-79) (5 day lift pkg) no air-with
1310	transfers
	Senior (65-79) (5 day lift pkg) no air-with
1375	transfers-plus 6th day lift

Trip is full-wait list only (Passport Required)

Join us in beautiful Banff Canada for a week of skiing at Sunshine Village, Mt Norquay and Lake Louise, sightseeing and parties. The Canadian Rockies are beautiful in the winter! This trip will include:

- 7 Nights lodging at the Caribou Lodge in hotel style (no condos available) rooms. Hot tubs, Wi-Fi and parking.
- <u>Daily</u> breakfast in the hotel restaurant <u>IS</u> included in the trip
- 5-day lift ticket (not necessary if you hold an IKON pass) Good for all three areas (Ski Big3)
- Optional 6th day lift ticket price is \$83 for adults under age 65 and \$66 for seniors (age 65-79)
- Welcome reception
- Race
- Pub Crawl and Après ski parties
- Dinner Banquet
- Optional Travel Insurance
- Complimentary shuttle to and from each of the mountains from our front door
- Complimentary ROAM bus around town

Other things to do in Banff

- Take the town gondola to the summit of Sulphur Mountain. Take boardwalk trails around the area. Inside, visit the world class discovery center or dine at the Sky Bistro. The views are excellent! Book tickets on line approximately \$45. Look up Banff Gondola
- Explore the Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel
- Walk along the river
- Shop on Banff Avenue. All of the hotels are walking distance to downtown area or take the ROAM bus along Banff Avenue
- Find an adventure tour of the area
- Visit the Banff Park Museum
- Take a guided ice walk of Banff's Johnston Canyon
- Take the bus to Lake Louise then take a shuttle to the Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise to walk out to the glacier or have a drink at the hotel or browse through the shops located in the hotel itself. It is a memorable experience.

Trip Captain: Teri Hammon Phone: 402-680-0971

Email: dragonsrock@cox.net

Payment Schedule: Due at signing (now): \$50 September 1, 2023: \$350 October 1, 2023: \$350 November 1, 2023: \$250 December 1, 2023: \$100 + optional items January 1, 2024: remaining balance Mail Payments to: Omaha Ski Club, PO Box 3104, Omaha NE 68103-0104

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: www.OmahaSkiClub.com. **Prices subject to change.**

OMAHA SKI CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION JUNE 2023 – MAY 2024

MEMBERSHIP STATUS: NEW ____ RENEWAL ____

FAMILY \$25_____ (\$30 if paid after September 30, 2023)

SINGLE \$22_____ (\$27 if paid after September 30, 2023)

MEMBER INFORMATION - - - PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Name:	Spouse:	<u>.</u>	
Street Address:	City:	State:	Zip:
Home Phone: () Alterr	nate Phone: ()		
Email Address:			
Check this box 📋 if you are 21 years or older. For f	amily membership, list all depe	ndent minors or	h 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		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 I	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



TRIP APPLICATION

OMAHA	(Required for each individual on the trip) (PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY)			
	TRIP DESTINATION		_ TRIP DATES_	
	LEGAL NAME		(exactly as	it appears on Driver's License)
	DATE OF BIRTH		AGE	SEX
SEUD	STREET ADDRESS			
СІТҮ		STATE	ZIP CODI	Ε
PHONE		E-MAIL		
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I PREFER TO ROOM WI	тн			
DO YOU PREFER TO FL	Y (if offered)	IKON/EPIC PA	\SS #	
		ES AS EOU OWS. The r	nember has read the	OSC trip policies on the bottom

THE OMAHA SKI CLUB MEMBER SIGNING THIS APPLICATION AGREES AS FOLLOWS: The member has read the OSC trip policies on the bottom 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	date	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.
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.