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President's Message:

Hello fellow skiers:

I want to wish everyone a Happy New Year and hope we have a snowy ski season. Please take a look at the wonderful pictures we have of the Holiday Party. We had a lot of participation and a new member that night. Over all we had a great time, with a wonderful venue, great food, (Thank you, Penny Oots and your volunteers) and awesome entertainment provided by our own Helen Crocker and Flute Fantastic, see photo on page 3. I am looking forward to next year's party already. Until then let's have a great time skiing.

Take care,
 Rick Irby, PSC President.

January 2012

SKI NEWS

PSC Ski News is Web-posted. Sept – May. One newsletter is mailed to members, in September with new ski season's trip offerings in detail. Please submit items to Editor by the 20th for publication in the following month's newsletter. Word documents are preferred, with separate photos in JPEG. Up-to-date info is also provided on PSC website and via email updates.

See Photos for the Holiday Party on pages 3 and 4 and on the web site.

SUMMARY OF PSC 2012 SKI TRIPS

The long wait is over; snow sport time has finally arrived. Steamboat starts us off Jan 14. All trips except Wintergreen and Mount Snow, if you can drive yourself (bus is full), are no longer taking new applications. If you have not made reservation on our other trips, get on their waiting list. There is always a chance for a cancellation for any number of reasons.

Cathy Margiotta our Wintergreen Captain has a January skiing commitment that will result in a format and time change for the Wintergreen trip. Note that Cathy will not be able to coordinate the single day drive and last minute show-up feature of last year's trip. For people with more available time, the Mount Snow trip with its daily professional ski lessons is a great and cost effective way to get into skiing.

If you want to get on the list for UN-SCHEDULED LOCAL SKI OPPORTUNITIES: Please provide your contact information to Ralph Watson or Rick Irby to be included in the UN-SCHEDULED SKI OPPORTUNITY email data base. This is a fun way to go skiing with old buddies or a great way to make new friends.

And has been the case for several seasons now, PSC members have the opportunities for additional trips through the Blue Ridge Ski Council (BRSC). All PSC members are eligible to go on BRSC sanctioned trips at the same price as the ski club that is sponsoring the trip. We are a member club of the BRSC and have a link on our website to the council and their trip information.

Leonard Credeur - Skiing Activities Chairman

<u>DATES</u> 2011	<u>SKI</u> <u>DESTINATION</u>	<u>PRICE</u> Per Person, Estimated Double Occ	<u>BASE</u> <u>ELEVATION</u> (ft)	<u>VERTICAL</u> (ft)	<u>TRIP CAPTAIN</u> Phone (757) & E-mail
Jan 14-21	Steamboat, Colorado	\$1,640	6,900	3,688	Sonny Short, 886-1385 cshort@earthlink.net
Feb 5-11	Mount Snow, Vermont	\$899	1,900	1,700	Jim Colbert, 258-3011 colbertj@widomaker.com
Feb 14-15	Wintergreen, Virginia Overnight - 2 days skiing	\$106, \$94	2,512	1,003	Cathy Margiotta cathy.mmarg@verizon.net
Feb 25- March 3	Snowbird, Utah Alta, Utah	\$1,828	7,766 8,530	3,240 2,020	Bill Bryan, 851-0748 Billb-1111@cox.net
March 2- 10	Andorra-BRSC Eurofest Grandvalira Ski Area Vallnord Ski Area	\$2,055 \$250 for 5 day lift	5,610 6,365	3,051 2,248	Ronnie Triplett 766-3445 sail475@verizon.net

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PSC POLICY ON TRIP CANCELLATION FEE *

- For trips priced at \$100 or less, if no trip refund cut-off date is specified, fee is \$5 at any time before the trip. For other trips:
 - \$25 up through the date of the September Membership Meeting.
 - \$50 if after the September Meeting, but before the Trip Refund Cut Off Date.
 - After the Trip Refund Cutoff Date, the canceling party is liable for any nonrecoverable trip cost incurred. In that case the individual will be charged whichever is the greater: the nonrecoverable trip cost incurred up to the time of cancellation or the applicable cancellation fee.
- *(Cancellation Fees apply to cancellations made by the traveler. Not to those cancelled by the club).

PSC Logo Wear

Get your Peninsula Ski Club Logo Wear. We have many happy owners of the new Logo Wear. You can personalize your Logo Wear, make the Skier in your pant and jacket colors for a great look or get the Logo Wear in your favorite team colors. Remember it is the same great Logo as before now you can personalize up to five colors:

If you can think of something and we do not have the item I will try to find it. The prices range from \$17 to \$30. We have shirt sizes, mens XS – XL and ladies XS – XL. XXL shirts are \$1.00 more and XXXL are \$2.00. See Lynn DeGregorio for any questions and to order your PSC Logo wear.

Visit the PSC web site to see the holiday party pictures

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**CLUB BYLAWS ARE AVAILABLE
in the Board Section of our Website.**



2012	<p style="text-align: center;">Peninsula Ski Club NON-SKI ACTIVITIES</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Note: Please email announcements to the Non-ski Activity Chair Penny Oots, Newsletter Editor Lynn DeGregorio, and Web Master Edie Colbert</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">TRIP CAPTAIN</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Starting Saturday, January 14</p>	<p><u>Walk the Noland Trail</u> Winnie Feldhaus and Dorrie Thompson will be walking the Noland Trail on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month continuing January 14, weather permitting at 9 am. Meet by the trail map at Mariner's Museum parking lot.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Dorrie Thompson, 851-4120 by Friday each week</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Friday, January 13</p>	<p><u>Tennis</u> Centre Court Racquet Club in Newport News. At 7PM meet for a very Social Tennis Party. Sixteen (16) players are needed to make this happen. Gather at 7 pm for a Social (eating) Hour. Bring Finger Food to share. Play Doubles and Mixed Doubles for half-hour sessions, starting at 8 pm. One short water/potty break at 9:15-ish. Off the courts at 10:20. Out the door by 10:30. The Cost to you covers court fees, drinks and balls: \$10 for PSC members. (\$3 for non-players) \$12 for non-members. (\$4 for non-players) No-shows and late cancellations may incur a penalty. Reservations required: Call Agnes at 867-8072, or email PSCmailto:PSC_tennis@hotmail.com This party will be cancelled for lack of a full roster.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Agnes Evans, 867-8072 by Thursday January 5 at Noon</p>
<p>To host a non-ski event, contact Non-Ski Activities Chairperson</p>		



**The members of FLUTES FANTASIC listed left to right are:
Helen Crocker, Deby Kidney, Melvin Lauf, Bill Grunow, Sharon Rees and Amy Cline**

Holiday Party Thank You!

It was great to see so many people at the PSC Holiday Party. What a lively crowd! A big thanks to all the people who helped make this party such a success by bringing goodies to eat. The dessert table needs to be larger next year.

I also want to thank the following helpers: Sarah and Monty Mills with assistance from Leonard Credeur and others for setting up the tables and chairs and helping to decorate; Nancy and Jim Cole for buying and setting up the plates, bowls, napkins, utensils, and cups and for help with tables, chairs and decorations; Winnie Feldhaus for getting

all the sodas, mixers, water and ice; Ralph Watson for ordering and procuring chicken platters; Lynn DeGregorio for the festive poinsettias; Susie Scott and Dick Barger for candles and decorations; Mary Jo Leber for donating coffee with pot and sugar and creamer; Rick Irby for donating and cooking the ham; Jim Crocker for donating and cooking Brunswick stew.

A special thanks goes to Jim Crocker's wife Helen and her fellow flutists for providing an elegant touch with their excellent background and concert music program. These musicians play with many organizations and we were lucky that Helen and her friends volunteered to play for us.

Cleanup was a breeze because everyone pitched in to put away chairs and tables and undecorating the room.

Hope this party started a happy holiday for all.

Penny Oots



PSC MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

2nd Thursday Evening of the month, September through May
at **Anna's Pizza**

2845 N Armistead Ave, Hampton, VA (directions below)

7 PM SOCIAL with pizza and beverages (non-alcoholic furnished)

8 PM – Ski Club Meeting, followed by program, ending with door prize drawing.

January 12, 2012

7:00 to 8:00 Social Hour and Pizza Party

8 - 9 Program: Ski World on Ski Equipment

**Save the dates
Feb 9, Mar 8,
Apr 12, May 10, 2012**

DIRECTIONS: From I-64 take exit 261B to Hampton Roads Center Parkway, East.

At the Armistead Ave traffic light turn left on Armistead going north.

Anna's is on the left in the Russo Village Shopping Center near Nettles Lane.

Mount Snow, Vermont

Feb. 5—11, 2012 (Sunday-Saturday)

Departure-----5 Feb, 5am Sunday Return----- 11 Feb, 7am Saturday

*****First come/first choice on bus seating *******

\$899 ADULT (13-64)

\$884 SENIOR (65+)

\$ - Ski/Snowboard Standard RENTALS Available

Trip includes:

Transportation to/from Mount Snow (refreshments on motor coach)

5 Nights lodging

6 Dinners (Sunday-Friday)

5 Breakfasts (Monday-Friday)

5 Days Lifts & Lessons

2 Races, Awards party & Prizes

All Tips included

Optional: Snowmobile -- Snowshoe -- Cross Country Ski -- Tubing

Mountain Stats Top Lift Elevation: 3600 ft, VertDrop: 1700 ft, 135 trails covering 633 acres serviced by 26 lifts, *includes Carintha Parks, the only all-park mountain face in the East, boasting 8 full park areas loaded with rails, jumps and pipes, nearly five miles of trails, tree-skiing zone, all-natural terrain area, mini-pipe and Mount Snow's monster superpipe.* Snowmaking: 80% with fan gun technology and excellent grooming!!! **New - High Speed Bubble 6 pack lift & new chairs on G-Summit Lift**

NEW Lodging at 'Snow Lake Lodge at Mount Snow', West Dover, VT.

Elevators, Shuttle stops at front door, Double Room w/private bath, color cable TV, phone, hair dryer, Dining Room, Lounge/Bar, indoor whirlpool & outdoor hot tub, sauna--**all rooms with mountain view this year.**

Deposit \$200 September 10th - \$300 October 13th - \$300

November 10th - Balance/Refund Cutoff

Checks payable to PSC

*Cancellations after Cutoff may incur financial liability for unrecoverable trip costs in lieu of PSC cancellation fees.

Jim Colbert - 757-258-3011

[**colbertj@widomaker.com**](mailto:colbertj@widomaker.com)

5 Higginson Ct, Williamsburg, Va. 23188-6433




Wintergreen Resort

First Annual Peninsula Ski Club
 “Love Affair with Snow” Valentine’s Day Celebration

Tuesday Feb 14-Wednesday Feb 15, 2012

Studio at Timbers or Mountain Inn (1 bed, Ski In/Ski Out) per person double occupancy: \$93.85

Lodge (1 or 2 queen/king) per person double occupancy: \$105.73

2, 3, 4 bedroom Condo (1 queen, 2+ twin): \$93.85

Price **INCLUDES** lift tickets for 14 and 15 Feb. Also: Complementary Spa/Pool access.

Ski Rentals are \$16.50 additional cost.

Lodges and Condos are located near the top of the mountain and are not slopeside. Checkout is 15 Feb by 11am.

A free shuttle is available to take to from your Condo or Lodge to the rental building and the Mountain Inn.

Bring your non-member ski and snowboard friends and show them what a friendly ski club is all about!

Non-members must be accompanied by a PSC member.

Trip Captain: Cathy Margiotta 757.363.2360 1500 Fuller Lane, Virginia Beach, 23455

cathy.mmarg@verizon.net

Assistant for Sign-ups: Dorrie Thompson 757.327.2253: or Thompson.dorrie@gmail.com


Sign up early: the sooner you sign up, the sooner we have the best rooms on the mountain!

DEPOSIT DUE AT SIGNUP: \$10 payable to PSC

Reservations no later than Tuesday, Jan 31. Full payment due to PSC by Jan 31.

If renting equipment, I need information in advance: age, type of equipment, and learn to ski/snowboard lesson if desired.

Check out accommodations: <http://www.wintergreenresort.com/Lodging-Photos/>. Click “condominiums” for detailed descriptions of studio, lodge, and condos.

Just Added!! I’ll show you just how much I  skiing: I’ll be offering free tips, video analysis, and we’ll do some of those “get-in-shape” exercises on the snow!

PSC BOARD May 2011 – April 2012

President	Rick Irby	(757) 890-0385	Mach6rick@gmail.com
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NEXT BOARD MEETING: January 19, 2012

At 6:30 @ Angelo’s Steak & Pancake House 755 J Clyde Morris Blvd



Ski Utah's Wasatch Mountains

Alta & Snowbird, UT ❄️ 25 Feb – 3 Mar 12



Plans as of August 10, 2011 - Estimated Price: \$1828 NEW LOWER PRICE!!! & No baggage fee¹

ALTA takes skiing seriously. No frills - just the best snow Utah has to offer! Located at the top of Little Cottonwood Canyon, Alta promises beautiful scenery and panoramic views from its slopes. Known for deep powder and a variety of awesome terrain, Alta provides skiing opportunities for every level of skier, including beginners. Alta is located 25 miles southeast of Salt Lake City, approximately 45 minutes from the Salt Lake City International Airport. It is one of the oldest ski resorts in the country, opening its first lift in 1939, and boasts an average annual snowfall of 540 inches. Note that Alta is one of three remaining ski resorts in America that prohibits snowboarders. Though widely respected as one of the most challenging of in-bounds ski areas in the world, Alta has always viewed itself as a family oriented ski area with its 2,200 acres of skiable terrain classified as 25% Beginner, 40% Intermediate, and 35% Advanced. The resort currently has 2 detachable quad chairs, 1 detachable triple chair, 1 triple chair [fixed grip], 3 double chairs, 3 surface tows, and a moving conveyor. **Ski magazine ranks Alta number 8 for Terrain Variety, 5 for Scenery, 3 for Weather, and number 1 for Snow and Overall Satisfaction!**

SNOWBIRD shares the canyon with Alta, its neighbor to the east. Beginning in the winter of 2002, both resorts began offering a joint pass allowing skiers to fully access all of the terrain on both mountains. Snowbird has 3,240 feet of continuously skiable vertical and 2,500 acres of terrain for everyone -- from wide bowls to gladed tree runs, from steep chutes to gentle cruising boulevards. Intermediates will want to checkout Chip's Run, the longest designated run at 2.5 miles. All this snow and terrain is easily accessible via eight chairlifts and one powerful aerial tram, which carries 125 passengers to the summit of 11,000-foot Hidden Peak in eight short minutes. Snowbird currently has 11 ski lifts (an aerial tram, 4 High-Speed Quads, 6 Doubles), plus a 600-foot tunnel enclosing a one-way conveyor lift connecting Peruvian Gulch to Mineral Basin. The tunnel, the first of its kind in North America, allows easier access for beginners and intermediates to new terrain and for skier transport when winds require the closing of the aerial tram. The resort is in an isolated mountain setting that is a cozy, pedestrian village within rugged surroundings. Snowboarders are welcome here and have access to the entire area. **Ski magazine ranks Snowbird number 9 for Lifts, number 7 for Weather, number 5 for Terrain Variety, number 2 for Snow, and number 4 for Overall Satisfaction!**

TRIP INCLUDES:

- ❖ **Round-trip airfare** Norfolk - Salt Lake City (Southwest: Leave Norfolk 2/25, 0635; return 3/3, 2325)
- ❖ **Ground transportation** (30 miles between airport and mountain)
- ❖ **7 nights lodging:** *Cliff Lodge & Spa* (AAA 3-diamond hotel at Snowbird)
- ❖ **6 full days of skiing** at both Alta and Snowbird
- ❖ One or two group **dinners**, plus **one hot breakfast buffet** at *The Aerie* (in Cliff Lodge)
- ❖ Optional **daily hot breakfast buffet** at *The Aerie* available at 33% discount (details on back).



THE MOUNTAIN STATS:

	<u>ALTA</u>	<u>SNOWBIRD</u>
❖ Ski terrain:	2,200 acres	2,500 acres
❖ Top elevation:	10,550 ft	11,000 ft
❖ Base elevation:	8,530 ft	7,766 ft
❖ Vertical drop:	2,020 ft	3,240 ft
❖ Average Annual snowfall:	540 inches	500 inches
❖ Difficulty % (Green/Blue/Black)	25/40/35	27/38/35

Upscale & Slopeside!

Lodging: We will be staying slope side in *The Cliff Lodge & Spa* at Snowbird. These 2-person hotel rooms with 2 queen beds are AAA three-diamond rated and provide ski-in/ski-out accessibility to the mountain. **This upscale lodge boasts 3 restaurants, 2 lounges, 2 pools, 4 hot-tubs, and many amenities including free Wi-Fi.**

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES:

Snow mobiling, Snowshoeing, Ice Skating, Cross-country, Salt Lake City site seeing, etc.

Ask about Trip Insurance

TRIP CAPTAIN:

Bill Bryan
45 Apollo Dr., Hampton, 23669
851-0748 billb-1111@cox.net

CHECK OUT: Alta at: www.alta.com & Snowbird at: www.snowbird.com

1Two bags free; skis & boots are one.

COST: \$1828 +/- (est.); Age related discounts are NOT expected. **REFUND CUTOFF DATE: 1 Oct 11***
PAYMENTS: \$350 at signup, \$550 Sep 8, \$550 Oct 13, balance Nov 10.
***CANCELLATIONS AFTER CUTOFF DATE ARE LIABLE FOR UNRECOVERABLE TRIP COSTS in lieu of normal cancellation fee.**

ANDORRA EUROFEST 2012

FRI MAR. 2 – SAT MAR. 10

\$2,055 includes round trip airfare from Norfolk to Barcelona, Spain

Includes: Round trip luxury charter coach (2 ½ hr) from the airport to the hotel with stop at Montserrat mountain top monastery in Catalonia, Spain.

Buffet Breakfast and 5-course themed Dinner daily,

3 Parties (Welcome, Apres ski, Grand finale Dance), and Insurance.

7 nights lodging at all suite five star Hotel Crowne Plaza in Andorra la Vella, the capitol of the Principality of Andorra

Andorra offers an "All Andorra" 5 out of 6 day lift ticket for \$250

Total price \$2,305

The best senior ski discounts in the world! Seniors 70 years old and older ski for free on 187 miles of terrain. Seniors 65 to 69 pay just 18 euros (\$24) per day for their lift tickets. The Blue Ridge trip will include our private ten minute shuttle ride to either ski base. No extra fees for our short shuttle ride to the slopes.

GRANDVALIRA trail map http://www.skiandorra.ad/mapa_GV_2010_ENG.pdf.

VALLNORD trail map http://www.skiandorra.ad/ENG_index.html.

Ski run area: 300 km / 187 miles Terrain: 7,600 acres

Number of slopes: 178, 15% easiest (green) - 35% intermediate (blue) - 35% difficult (red) – 15% expert (black) Lowest altitude 5,085 ft. – Highest 8,660 ft.

Lifts: 111 in total - Lift hours 9:00 am to 5:00 pm – 40% of terrain covered by snow cannons

Our headquarters hotel in Andorra is the all suite five star Crowne Plaza

<http://www.plazandorra.com/Hoteles/HotelCrownePlaza/Suites/tabid/118/Default.aspx>

This trip is open to all clubs and their members of the Blue Ridge Ski Council. Some clubs will plan an extension to an exciting European city, such as Madrid, Barcelona, or their choosing prior to the main Blue Ridge trip, which is during the time period of March 3 to 11. Depending on the club's travel schedule, some clubs may choose simply to enjoy the excitement of Andorra, with its huge ski terrain, world class spa Caldera, and exciting sightseeing to such places as nearby Carcassonne, France.

Andorra is a small (pop. 73,100, size 464 km²), mountainous country in the Pyrenees mountains in Europe, and is on the Iberian Peninsula, on the border between France and Spain, in Southern Europe.

Payment Schedule: Deposit: Sept 8 \$200, \$500 Oct. 13, Nov. 10 & Dec. 8, Balance: Jan. 12

Cancellations after December 8 will incur Liability for all Unrecoverable Trip Cost in lieu of Normal Cancellation Fee

NOVEMBER 28th DEADLINE TO SIGNUP FOR TRIP TO ANDORRA

Trip Captain: Ronnie Triplett
4399 Ericcson Drive
Hampton, VA 23669
(H) 766-3445 (W) 688-6530
sail475@verizon.net





May 2011 through April 2012 2012 SKI SEASON MEMBERSHIP/RENEWAL FORM

Please type or print clearly and sign **RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT** at bottom.

Adult Member's Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Spouse's Cell Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Email(s): **PRINT CLEARLY!** _____

If applying for a family membership, list children under 18 who might participate in club-sponsored activities:

Children (under 18): _____

DUES are for One Year Membership from May 1, 2011 until April 30, 2012

Please check **three** appropriate boxes below: **(one each in lines 1, 2 and 3)**

- 1. Membership type: Individual Dues \$25 Family Dues \$40 (2 adults & children under 18)
- 2. Membership is: NEW Renewing from previous ski year
- 3. Payment by: Cash at meeting or Check payable to: Peninsula Ski Club

The club will post a PSC Directory in a **PASSWORD PROTECTED** file on the website instead of mailing it to each household. This change will save printing and postage expense for the club. Request you check boxes below to grant permission to list personal data in a 'password protected' section of the website:

Yes - All listed data, No – Do not include my listing on website, or only items checked below:
 Name(s) Address Home phone Work phone Cell Phone Email

PLEASE consider serving your PSC as a board member, activity leader, etc. Contact a board member to volunteer.

COMMENTS/ Suggestions: _____

TO BECOME A CLUB MEMBER YOU MUST READ AND SIGN BELOW: RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

I hereby release, and further agree to indemnify and hold harmless, the Peninsula Ski Club of Virginia, Inc., and its officers, from any and all liability for any claims made by me or any member of my family for personal injuries or property damage or costs incurred due to any accidents or losses sustained by me or any member of my family during any club-sponsored or related activities.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

EACH ADULT MUST SIGN INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Bring application and dues to Ski Club meeting or mail to:

Peninsula Ski Club - MEMBERSHIP
P. O. Box 12114
Newport News, VA 23612