

WLB SKI CLUB

Please join us for the 2011 / 2012 Ski Season

ORGANIZING MEETING

Tuesday, September 20 at 8pm

West Long Branch Community Center, Locust Ave at Parker Rd., West Long Branch

CLUB DUES: Dues are only \$10 per year and entitle you to participate in the trips and all the club activities. Members must be over 21. You don't have to live in West Long Branch to belong. **You must be a club member to participate in the trips.**

HOW TO JOIN: Fill out the enclosed club application and return with \$10 dues. **Returning members must also fill out the form completely and return!** The form may **also** be found on our web site under "Membership" at: <http://wlbskiclub.org/>

TRIP REGISTRATION: Sign up early. Space is limited. **Full trip details inside the newsletter.**

TRIP PAYMENTS: Make checks out to: **WLB Ski Club.**
Send to: Dottie Binder, 4 Southside Avenue, Atlantic Highlands, NJ 07716

Great Ski Trips are Planned this Year!!

ALL TRIPS INCLUDE: Round trip air from Newark, Transfers to the hotel, 7 nights Lodging (double occupancy), Breakfast Daily, 5 Lift Tickets, Taxes & Portage. Price reduction for using your own air is available on request.

Destination	Vail, CO	Aspen, CO	Avoriaz, France	Telluride, CO	Big Sky, MT
Dates	Dec 10 to 17, 2011	Jan 8 to 15, 2012	Feb 4 to 12, 2012	Mar 10 to 17, 2012	Apr 1 to 8, 2012
Hotel	Evergreen Lodge	Molly Gibson	Club Med	Aspen Street Inn	Huntley Lodge
Room Type	Double	Double	Double	Double	Double
Air	Newark / Denver	Newark / Denver	Newark / Geneva	Newark / Montrose	Newark / Bozeman
Price	\$1,389	\$1,769	\$2,625	\$1,820	\$1,599

Newsletter Editor Needed!

By Harriet Warner

Dottie & John Binder have done a great job taking over the operations of the WLB Ski Club. I helped out with the Newsletter last year but, it's time for someone else to take over. I will assist them any way I can, but we really need a volunteer. If you are interested, please contact Dottie Binder at 732-291-1964. Cell 732-977-9806. Email: dottieb84@hotmail.com . Or Harriet Warner at 732-356-2887. Email: skierhw@aol.com.

1. Please print out this Newsletter and keep it for future reference.
2. Fill out and return the attached Membership Application completely with the dues even if you have filled it out in the past.
3. Make sure that you include an email address so that future newsletters can be sent to. All future newsletters will be sent via email!
4. Please observe the deadlines for trip payments. Make a note of the deadline dates on your calendar.

Future Newsletters Will be Via Email Only!

In an attempt to streamline the operations of the Ski club, we will distribute the Newsletter via email only.

If you sign up with AOL or Yahoo for a free email account and don't own a computer, you may access your mail from the library, at work or from a friend's computer.

Update Your Club Membership!

Don't forget to fill out and return your membership application with your 2012 dues of \$10 per person.

We need your up to date email address as well as your mailing address and all your phone numbers. These things change and we need to keep our records current!

Check out WLB Ski Club Web Site

Our thanks to Mike Southwell for maintaining our ski club web site at <http://wlbskiclub.org/>.

You can look at club photos that have been taken of past trips & parties and post your own ski club photos.

Past newsletters can be read. There is a free link if you need to download Adobe Reader.

Please print out this newsletter for future reference. If you have a friend without email, please pass a copy to them.

2011 / 2012 CLUB SCHEDULE

Sep 20.....**Opening Meeting**
Oct 18.....**Oktoberfest Party**
Dec 10 to 17.....**Ski trip to Vail**
Jan 9 to 15.....**Aspen, CO Trip**
Feb 4 to 12.....**Avoriaz France Trip**
Mar 10 to 17.....**Telluride, CO Trip**
April 1 to 8.....**Big Sky Trip**

There will only be two club meetings this year. Our membership has spread over such a wide area that it is impossible for most members to actually attend a club meeting. The dates are: Sep 20 and Oct 18.

Vail, Colorado

December 10 to 17, 2011
One Week (Sat / Sat)

\$1,389

per person, double occupancy

TRIP INCLUDES:

- ✓ Air from Newark to Denver
- ✓ Transfers from airport to hotel
- ✓ 7 nts at **EVERGREEN LODGE**
- ✓ **Breakfast daily!**
- ✓ Five out of 6 day lift pass
- ✓ Taxes & portorage

At 5,289 acres, Vail is the largest single Ski Mountain in North America. Legendary unique features such as seven powdery bowls, include the back country skiing of Blue Sky Basin, China Bowl and Riva Ridge.

1,500 acres of "corduroy" each day means the most groomed terrain on the planet. Combined with a yearly average of 346 inches of snowfall and 300 days of sunshine, Vail is a skier's paradise.

But more than that, off the slopes, head to Vail Village with world-class dining, shopping, galleries, après ski, nightlife and spas are all just steps from a range of accommodations to suit every budget and task.

Vail is certainly the largest ski mountain in North America, stretching seven miles from east to west. It is consistently ranked tops on the continent and among the very best in the world. With a full range of lodging accommodations, Vail has something for everyone.

THE EVERGREEN LODGE, is a full service hotel. It is located between Lionshead and Vail Village on the free Town of Vail bus route, and is only one stop to the Lionshead gondola. It features spacious recently renovated guest rooms, large heated year-round outdoor swimming pool, huge indoor hot tub and dry heat saunas, game and fitness rooms. The Altitude Billiards & Sports Club boasts a wall of HD TV's showing all of your favorite sporting events!

Aspen, Colorado

January 8 to 15, 2012
One Week (Sun / Sun)

\$1,769

per person, double occupancy

TRIP INCLUDES:

- ✓ Air from Newark to Denver
- ✓ Transfers from airport to hotel
- ✓ 7 nts at the Molly Gibson Lodge
- ✓ **Breakfast daily!**
- ✓ Five out of 6 day lift pass
- ✓ Taxes & portorage

This trip is the perennial Club favorite . . . from the cruising trails and bumps at Snowmass to the gut wrenching steepes of Ajax.. Aspen has it all!

ASPEN is a fabulous and world-famous resort with 4 unique ski areas, all connected by free ski shuttle buses. It's a destination resort by itself. Fabulous shopping, sizzling nightlife, varied dining and over 100 years of history are all wrapped up in an old mining town with a distinct Victorian charm.

The MOLLY GIBSON LODGE is the sister hotel of the Hotel Aspen across the street. It is located on W. Main Street, just 3 blocks from the shops, restaurants and nightlife. It's on the shuttle bus route to all the mountains. Located in the courtyard are an outdoor heated pool and Jacuzzi.

Additional amenities in the rooms include a wet bar, small refrigerator, coffee maker, microwave, iron, ironing board, hairdryer, humidifier and VCR.

In the lounge, you can enjoy with your complimentary expanded continental breakfast and apres-ski afternoon wine & cheese buffet.

Please Note

The air arrangements are to Denver and the group will be bused to Aspen. If you prefer to fly in to Aspen, you may request the additional price from Dottie Binder. It was an additional \$250

CLUB MED

Avoriaz, France

Feb 4 to 12, 2012

One week (Sat / Sun)

\$2,625

per person, double occupancy

TRIPS INCLUDE:

- ✓ Round non-stop trip air from Newark to Geneva via CO
- ✓ Transfer from airport to hotel
- ✓ 7 nights at slopeside Club Med
- ✓ 6 lift tickets each week
- ✓ 3 sumptuous meals daily
- ✓ **Open bar / premium brands**
- ✓ **5½ days of ski Instructor / guides**
- ✓ **Includes Club Med dues which covers insurance**
- ✓ Taxes and gratuities!
- ✓ nightly entertainment

I sent an announcement about the trip in the spring to all active club members and to our email list and the trip is nearly full. There is currently only 1 room left. All other space will be "on request."

If you want to join the group, request your space as soon as possible!

Avoriaz is well placed on the Portes du Soleil circuit, arguably the world's largest lift-connected ski region. In addition to the skiing in Avoriaz itself (650km of pisted ski runs) it has access to 423 individual pistes, served by 209 ski lifts.

It is a "doorstep skiing pioneer", linked to Swiss resorts in the Region via the legendary 'Wall' descent (you can take the chair down if you prefer). Avoriaz is a car free zone designed for relaxed living.

A boundless domain for skiing without frontiers where skiers can go from France to Switzerland to change cultures. Of the 14 resorts of the immense domain of "Portes du Soleil", Avoriaz occupies the central position, just a short way from Switzerland. Over 300 inches of snowfall per winter ensures great skiing throughout the season.

TELLURIDE, CO

March 10 to 17, 2012

One week (Sat / Sat)

\$1,820

per person, double occupancy

TRIP INCLUDES:

- ✓ Air from Newark to Montrose
- ✓ Transfers from airport to hotel
- ✓ 7 nts at **Inn at the Aspen St. Inn**
- ✓ **Breakfast daily!**
- ✓ Five lift passes
- ✓ Taxes & portorage

Ranked one of North America's top ten ski areas by both **Ski & Skiing** magazines, **Telluride Ski Resort** is recognized internationally as a premier ski destination.

Telluride's terrain is legendary and has always been revered as the best of Colorado. Additionally, the terrain parks in Telluride were voted the best in the Rocky Mountains in 2008 by the visitors of www.onthesnow.com.

The region receives on average more than 300 inches of snow annually and offers more than 2,000 skiable acres for all ability levels. With 300 days of yearly sunshine and no lift lines, the skiing and snowboarding in Telluride is an epic experience.

Telluride Ski Resort opened the new Revelation Bowl in 2008. This spectacular European-style terrain is situated above tree line and offers advanced and expert skiing in an unbelievably scenic setting. All told, the resort has recently expanded by nearly 400 acres, offering the most stunning skiing and riding on the continent.

The **Aspen Street Inn** is a charming 17 room Inn offering the perfect location in Telluride - 1 block from the gondola station (connecting the towns of Telluride and Mountain Village) and Main Street. There is a hot breakfast buffet, wireless internet service, and a common dining / meeting area.

Big Sky, Montana

April 1 to 8, 2012

One Week (Sun / Sun)

\$1,599

per person, double occupancy

TRIP INCLUDES:

- ✓ Air from Newark to Bozeman
- ✓ Transfers from airport to hotel
- ✓ 7 nights at **Huntley Lodge**
- ✓ **Breakfast daily!**
- ✓ Five lift passes
- ✓ Taxes & portorage

Big Sky Resort has 3 mountains to delight skiers and snow boarders. Lone Mountain is the resort's signature peak, rising to 11,166 feet. The Lone Peak Tram takes the adventuresome to its apex with European style expert terrain below.

Andesite Mountain has some of the resort's most notable intermediate cruising runs, some comfortable south-facing beginner trails, several expert tree runs and a superpipe and giant terrain park.

Flat Iron Mountain is on the eastern shoulder of Andesite and offers even more variety.

The mountain offers 4,350 vertical feet on over 3,600 skiable acres covered with over 400 inches of snow annually. Big Sky Resort is located 45 miles south of the Bozeman airport.

With high speed detachable gondolas, chairlifts, and a new aerial tram, Big Sky has the capacity to accommodate over 11,000 skiers per hour, and with a ski terrain of over 65 miles spread out by 20% beginner, 50% intermediate, and 30% expert, Big Sky will keep you skiing all day.

THE HUNTLEY LODGE was part of the late NBC news broadcaster Chet Huntley's original vision. With recent remodeling, it is as tasteful as it is convenient. The Huntley complex includes a fine dining room, lounge, coffee cart, concierge, shops, ski storage, meeting rooms and Solace Spa.

<u>RATES:</u>	VAIL, COLORADO	- \$1,389	<u>Balance due by Oct 5</u>
	ASPEN, COLORADO	- \$1,769	<u>Balance due by Nov 1</u>
	CLUB MED, AVORIAZ - FRANCE	- \$2,625	<u>Balance due by Dec 1</u>
	TELLURIDE, COLORADO	- \$1,820	<u>Balance due by Jan 10</u>
	BIG SKY, MONTANA	- \$1,599	<u>Balance due by Feb 1</u>

RESERVATIONS: Please reserve as soon as possible. Space is limited. A deposit of \$350 per person, per trip, is required with application. The deposit for Club Med is \$500 per person

CANCELLATION PENALTIES: Every airline and hotel property now has different cancellation policies, but you can generally assume that there will be no penalty until 90 days prior to departure. After that, the penalties will be by what the suppliers actually impose. There will be no refund 45 days prior to the trip. Trip Cancellation Insurance is recommended. It is included in the Club Med trip.

TRIP CANCELLATION INSURANCE IS STRONGLY SUGGESTED. It may be purchased from Ski.com. To purchase insurance call Gloria@ski.com 800-837-0155 or Meredith@ski.com 800-525-2052 ext 3017. Or you can email any questions to the email address noted above. Please note the trip reservation numbers below when you order insurance to make sure you are insuring the correct trip!

The insurance company is Vacation Guard and the cost of a policy for trip cancellation is 6% of the amount you choose to cover regardless of your age. It is **only available for West Long Branch packages purchased through Ski.com.**

Emergency medical coverage is the same regardless of the amount of cancellation coverage. In other words you will receive the **same medical coverage** if you cover \$500 of **trip cancellations** for \$30 as you will if you cover \$1,500 of trip cancellation for \$90. The decision is up to you.

Check out this link for full policy details. <http://www.vacationguard.com/documentation/resort>

FURTHER INFORMATION: If you have any further questions about the trips or insurance, please call Dottie Binder at 732-291-1964. Cell phone 732-977-9806. Email: dottieb84@hotmail.com . Ski Club Web site: <http://wlbskiclub.org/>

PLEASE RETURN WITH DEPOSITS TO: Dottie Binder, 4 Southside Ave., Atlantic Highlands, NJ 07716

(Checks payable to WLB. Ski Club)

NAME (exactly as it is on Photo ID) _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE (home) _____ ; (Cell) _____ ; email _____

Enclosed please find \$350 per person deposit. \$500 deposit for Club Med

VAIL deposit \$ _____

ASPEN deposit \$ _____

AVORIAZ CLUB MED deposit \$ _____

TELLURIDE deposit \$ _____

BIG SKY deposit \$ _____

If you have your own air, please indicate which trip and airline _____

Check with Dottie Binder about how much to subtract for not taking our air. We must know if you are making your own air arrangements *as soon as possible* so we don't get caught with an *under-utilization penalty* by the airline.

I am rooming with _____ ; I need a roommate _____

2011 / 2012 - WEST LONG BRANCH SKI CLUB MEMBERSHIP & RELEASE FORM

***This form must be filled out completely by all members, even if you filled one out in past years.
Please PRINT clearly and return with the dues!***

NAME (exactly as it appears on photo ID or passport): _____

Citizenship of passport if using for ID: _____ Gender: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

(City, state, zip) _____

PHONE (home) _____ (work) _____

(cell) _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS (print clearly!): _____ BIRTH DATE: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT: Name _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

As a condition of membership, the WLB Ski Club requires that all Members sign the following:

Waiver, Liability Release and Indemnification agreement

1. By signing the release form, I voluntarily assume the risks involved in skiing. I agree not to hold the WLB Ski Club, its officers and trip/activity leaders liable for any damages and/or costs resulting from my actions or inactions while participating. I recognize that the WLB Ski Club, its officers and trip/activity leaders are acting solely as agents in arranging for the transportation, lodging, skiing and any other service as, as such, are not responsible for any damage, loss, illegal acts, delay, injury, or accidents resulting from any act or default on the part of any Company or person engaged in providing services which are part of any WLB trip or activity.
2. In consideration of being permitted to participate in the activities of the WLB Ski Club, I hereby release and forever discharge the WLB Ski Club, its officers, directors, employees, members and staff from any and all liability.
3. Trips must be paid in full by the date specified for final payment.

Signature

Membership fees are \$10 per person per year. You must be 21 or over to be a member.

Make check payable to: WLB Ski Club. AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ _____

If you are paying dues or trip deposits for yourself and a family member, please use one check for all! Be sure to note how the payment should be allocated (dues, trip name, etc.)

You must be a club member to participate in a trip and to receive the newsletter throughout ski season. Please return this application with the dues to:

Dottie Binder

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Atlantic Highlands, NJ 07716 phone: 732-291-1964 or 732- 977-9806; email: dorothybinder65@yahoo.com