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Inskiers, Seasons Greetings.

Tonight some us of enjoyed happy hour at Bj's. During my in-between-employment I do enjoy those happy hour prices. Thanks Denise for lining it up. Thanks Emil for the Nachos. See me for a beverage at Alpine Meadows. There were old friend and new friends as well. We lamented the meager California snow pack but let's enjoy the Holiday Season while the snow comes. Sometimes late, Sometimes early, Sometimes so much you need to shovel by car headlight to get in the driveway, Sometimes too little to cover that big rock that was looking for your brand new ski, but it DOES come without fail.

Winter and Social are doing a great job so look for their updates elsewhere in this Ezine. As you read them you'll see things are falling into place for another outstanding Snow Season. To show you my priorities I have clarified with my prospective new employer the need for certain Friday days off which just happen to be before every scheduled Inskier Race ! The schedule is on the new Website. Thanks Pat !



After a job interview in San Francisco the other day I found myself at the Embarcadero Towers which are lit up for Xmas. If you get a chance remember that it's worth the traffic to see the city all decked out for Xmas. Don't forget Union Square. I also like checking out the Marina Green at night where all the big houses put their best Xmas trees on display. Maybe the Inskiers will be cable car caroling ?

Feliz Navidad,

-Bill Moller

"El Presidente"

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Greetings, Inskiers!

It is with great pleasure that I announce that our very own, Miss Jessica Disney swept the competition to cinch the title of "Woman of the Year" at the SnowBall on Saturday evening over other able club competitors. She looked ravishingly gorgeous in her red ball gown, and kinky new do, and the surprise on her face said it all when they announced her name. We are quite proud! Keep up the tradition, Inskiers', as this makes two (2) winners in a row, as Miss Lisa Burgess was the reigning snow goddess from the '04 event. Allen Brumm represented the club well, as our nominee for "Man of the Year", but missed out by a narrow margin, I am sure, to Mr. Ken Poff. (aka Chief of Course)

For those of you who missed out, this was a party! Over 20 happy Inskier's dined and danced the night away (and wee hours of the morning, I must admit for most of us) to the tunes of the

Cruisetones, a great dance band. I think we all worked off the delicious prime rib or MahiMahi and enjoyed seeing everyone decked out in their finest.

As always, Miss Kathi Silver executed a seamless event, and her attention to detail, her organization and her business savvy to secure us a reasonable room rate at the Crowne Plaza did not go unnoticed by a grateful Inskier band of partiers.

We were blessed to have many Past Presidents in attendance (Gordy Mann, Craig Crosley) and their beautiful wives, as well as Brian Burgess, and Rel Kempf.

I believe we owe a raucous round of applause to Miss Kathi Silver for organizing such a great event, and a cheerio pat on the back to Miss Jess for sweeping the competition. We are doubly proud!

Jan Lynn Shriner
Past President



Allen Brumm Inskiers Man of the Year and
Jessica Disney Inskiers Woman of the Year and Singles League Woman of the Year

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Winter Cabin Update

As you can see by our "new cabin" picture, there is a ton of snow in Tahoe (just kidding!). Unfortunately the picture was taken last year, but one can always hope that it proves to be an omen of things to come. Tons of snow, lots of great camaraderie and those wonderful dinners Inskiers are known for! The same cabin has been secured for 7 weekends this

year (see below for dates.) A new Cabin Handbook and info for the Inskier's web site are also currently under development and will include directions and other pertinent information.

The good news is, we will be able to accommodate 10 people each weekend all in separate beds. (Beds will be pre-assigned. There are two beds available for sharing, but only if you want to share.)

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The better news is that the snowman you can see on the left side of the deck, has morphed into a hot tub! The great news is that there is plenty of parking, 10+ spaces on a large and really flat driveway.

Rates for the cabin will be the same as last year - \$30 for members and \$35 for guests.

Priority on race weekends will be for racers who book all 5 race weekends by Jan 1, other racers, other members and then guests.

Priority on social weekends will be for all members, then guests.

"Weekend" means Friday and Saturday night with check-in at 3PM Friday and **check-out** by noon Sunday.

The cabin is located at 13177 Davos Drive in Tahoe Donner (only about 1.3 miles up Northwoods Blvd.)

Reservations are now being accepted.

Email InskierCabin@AOL.com with your request (name of person(s), whether you want a single bed or will share (note name of all sharers must be included at time of reservation), and the weekend dates.)

Then send your payment and waiver to our post office box or via Paypal payment. If you use Paypal, you must still mail your waiver to our post office box. All members and guests must have a waiver on file with Inskiers prior to going up to the cabin.

FANTASTICO !!!



Weekend Dates	Corresponding	Race Dates/Location
Jan 6 & 7	Jan 7 & 8	Homewood & Northstar
Jan 27 & 28	Jan 28 & 29	Homewood
Feb 10 & 11	Feb 11 & 12	Sugarbowl
Mar 3 & 4	Mar 4 & 5	Alpine and TBD
Mar 10 & 11	Social Weekend	
Mar 31 & Apr 1	Apr 1 & 2	NORCALs at Alpine
TBD		Social Weekend

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Social

Social had a fun time playing billiards on Saturday, 11/20, at B St Billiards. Kathi & Gary, Cathy & Dave, Don, Bob Burke, and a newbie joined us. Stay tuned for more action at B St.

We also hosted a Happy Hour @ BJ's in San Mateo. We had a good turn out with Prez Bill, Ang, Cathy & Dave, Rose, Marji, Lisa, Paul, Wendy, Emil, & Allen. The munchies were good and we all fun!

Next month we're going to party & potluck at Maurice's on 12/13!

Hope everyone can make it.

Ciao for Now!

Tuesday, Dec. 6th - General Meeting at Chevy's. Starts @ 7:00pm, dinner @ 7:30pm.

Friday, Dec. 9th - Looking for someone to host a Happy Hour. Please if anyone is interested respond to this email.

Saturday, Dec. 10th - Is anyone interested in hosting an evening at the BBC in Menlo Park? Dancing starts at 9PM.

Tuesday, Dec. 13th - Potluck at Maurice's in Los Altos. Check calendar for details and/or email update to follow.

Friday, Dec. 16th - Anyone interested in hosting a Happy Hour. Please if anyone is interested respond to this email.



BJ's happy Hour



BJ's Happy Hour



Lisa Burgess' Pot Luck
November

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See Inskier photos at

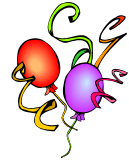
www.inskiers.smugmug.com/

Birthdays

Wish your friends happy birthday, buy them a drink, send them a card, give them flowers, or better yet, give them a home baked cake. Tell them they are special. After all, being an Inskier makes them special.

December (Saggitarius/Capricorn)

Linda Yamaguchi	Dec 7
David Falconer	Dec 8
Mike Lyzun	Dec 8
Mary Athanasiou	Dec 10
Catherine Reine	Dec 11
Linda Newton	Dec 12
Sue Huch	Dec 17
John Baker	Dec 27



January (Capricorn/Acquarious)

Steve Duncan	Jan 5
Tyler Tollstrup	Jan 13
Larry Lutz	Jan 13
Pam Magnant	Jan 14
David Baird	Jan 16
Bill Chapman	Jan 16
Alison Schultz	Jan 18
Jessica Disney	Jan 27
Lynne Ginsburg	Jan 29
Bob Baker	Jan 31



Singles League

Hey Inskiers

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays

Just a short report from Singles League this month. Last month's Snowball was a great success. I had a great time and I think that those that attended shared my feelings. Inskiers had great representation. Our own Jessica Disney was chosen as the SL Women of the year! Thanks Jess for all that you do for the club.

It was not only a social success, but a financial one as well. Thank-you to all who

helped out with the evening.

Now we have to look forward to our Race Season. Hopefully the snow will start to fall on a regular schedule and we can get started on Ski season. There are no major events coming up until February. Snowdrifters will be having their fundraiser in Tahoe. As soon as I get the exact location and date I will let you all know.

Don't forget to get those skis out of the garage and into the shop for a tune-up. I think that if we get things in motion the snow will begin to fall.

Kathy S

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Weather and Road Conditions

Truckee weathercam

<http://www.magnifeye.com/>

Road conditions: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/roadinfo/i80>

Northwoods and Donner Pass weather cam:

<http://www.communityink.com/cam/index.cfm>

Northstar Weather Cam

<http://www.rsn.com/cams/north>

Alpine Meadows

<http://www.skialpine.com/#>

Racing Scene



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Singles League Racing 2006 Race

Check with Allen Brumm, race Director for make up plans for cancelled races or clinics.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
12/10/2005	Saturday	Race Clinic	TBD
1/07/2006	Saturday	GS	Homewood
1/08/2006	Sunday	SL	Northstar
1/28/2006	Saturday	SL	Homewood
1/29/2006	Sunday	GS	Homewood
2/11/2006	Saturday	SL	Sugarbowl
2/12/2006	Sunday	GS	Sugarbowl (Mac T, Long GS)
3/4/2006	Saturday	GS	Alpine Meadows
3/4/2006	Saturday	Racey Affair	Cal Neva, Stateline Nevada

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FarWest Schedule

3/17/2006	Friday Pacesetter	Kirkwood (tentative)
3/18/2006	Saturday SL	Kirkwood
3/19/2006	Sunday GS	Kirkwood

NorCals Schedule

3/31/2006	Friday Pacesetter	TBD
4/01/2006	Saturday SL	TBD
4/02/2006	Sunday GS	TBD

Safety: Buying a helmet

The most important consideration when buying a helmet is fit. The helmet should come to just above your eyebrows. Any lower could compromise vision, any higher could compromise safety. Try the helmet on with any goggles or sunglasses you might wear with it to make sure they create a tight seal with the helmet.

The chin strap should be snug but not too tight. One finger's worth of space between chin and strap will assure a good fit. The helmet should not move on your head, but make sure there are no pressure points. On cold days, a silk hood can be worn under the helmet for added warmth. There's a whole crop of new, innovative and comfortable helmets. Start your Ski and Snowboard season off right and check them out.

Skiers apparently have decided that trees and unprotected heads aren't such a good match, but its not just trees that can cause slope accidents. Accidents can happen to any experienced skiers on intermediate slopes. Accidents can happen late in the day when the snowpack turns slick, heading off into the trees, or from not paying full attention to skiing. Chris Stagg, director of skiing at Taos, N.M., believes attention lapse is the single most important cause of most skier fatalities. "Skiers," he says, "always have to be thinking, just as though they were driving a car, what would happen if I stop paying attention?"

Dr. Jasper Shealy of the Rochester Institute of Technology, an academician who has made a life long study of skier injuries, claims that the sort of helmet protection being considered for recreational use typically offers some direct contact protection in speeds of up to 12 mph but limited protection at speeds in excess of that. Many adults have decided the extra protection can't hurt.

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) issued the results of a snow sports study it conducted on head injuries last season, with a recommendation skiers and snowboarders wear helmets. The study concluded helmets could "prevent or reduce the severity of 44 percent of the head injuries to adults and 53 percent of head injuries to children younger than 15. Additionally, the CPSC study indicated helmets might prevent up to 11 deaths per year.

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ABBREVIATED INSKIERS SKI AND SNOWBOARD CLUB

Board Meeting Minutes

November 15, 2005

President Bill Moller called the meeting to order at Harry's Hofbrau, with the following officers present: Bill Moller, Angie Imura, Bob Burke, Denise Guaraglia, Pat Sheehan, Allen Brumm, Dave Button, Mark Wilson, Kathy Wilson, and Brenda Cash, and member Maurice Hooray. The following officers' reports were given:

Membership: Angie reported four new members and on renewals. Flyers being placed at Sportsbasket, Warren Miller films and Alpine Meadows. Discussion of costs of advertising as compared to the costs for an Open House. There have been good responses from the Internet. Angie will look into sporting good stores as a location for an Open House in January.

Cabin: Kathy W. and Dave have been searching. Kathy had questions: What do we want to pay? Consensus was \$30/night, with the club subsidizing anything more than that. What priority is given guests? Order of priority is determined by the cabin directors. Cabin Policy Manual will be followed re.

reservations, etc. The cabin rent will include cleanup. Discussion of obtaining waivers from guests. Dave presented a couple of cabins for consideration. The one most favored is not available the non-race weekend of January 21, 22, so will add the weekend of April 1 and 2 for the NorCals at Alpine Meadows instead. MSP to rent this cabin on Davos Drive at Tahoe-Donner which sleeps 12, with double garage and quite a bit of flat parking.

Social: Denise announced events for the rest of November and some of December. Dec. 6-General Meeting; Dec. 13-Christmas Pot Luck at Maurice Hooray's, Dec. 20-Board Meeting. Discussion of events being promoted on the club website that conflict with Inskier scheduled events.

Website: Pat was complimented on how good it looks.

Racing: Allen reported Giant Slalom race clinic Dec. 10, with Sierra League. Discussion of drop-in and married racers.

BAC: Bob reported vouchers and tickets turned in. At BAC meeting, there were representatives re. Heli skiing and from Homewood announcing major improvements and no price increase. Dave announced big improvements at Bear Valley.

Respectfully submitted,
S/ Brenda Cash, INSKIERS Secretary

BAC News

Thank you all for the large showing of support for the sale of discounted BAC lift ticket vouchers this year. They are back and available. Contact Bob Burke.

Bob Burke

Tahoe Adaptive Ski School/Disabled Sports Program needs your help. They need volunteers to work inside getting people set up ready to ski. This is a worthy cause to donate your time to help those who show tremendous courage and drive in continuing their passion in life in spite of their challenges. Contact Sandy Kiyomura, communities@skibac.org

BAC and FWSA Travel Update

The Far West Ski Association (FWSA) and the Bay Area Snow Sports Council (BAC) are organizing some Great adventures to far off lands this year an it is not too early to start planning for them. Take a look at some of the offerings below:

BAC and Far West offer trips for ski clubs and any member can participate.

FWSA Ski Week—Feb. 4-11, 2006

Sign up now for the FWSA Ski Week 2006 which will be held in Telluride, Colorado, February 4-11, 2006. Sierra Council will be staying at both the Cimarron in Telluride or on the mountain in the Mountain Lodge Condos. Call Debbie Stewart at 559-734-9294 for more information.

FWSA Ski Week 2007

FWSA Ski Week 2007 will be held at Steamboat, Colorado. Deposits will be taken after the Telluride trip.

FWSA 2006 European Ski Week Zermatt—_____

Cost will be \$2,195-\$2,250 including airfare. Optional extensions, pre-trip to Davos and post trip Nile Rive cruise. A few spots remaining. Send your \$200 deposit now to Tucker Hoffman.


If you are interested or need more information, go to: <http://www.skibac.org>

Racey Affair 2006



WHO?	You, of course
WHAT?	Racey Affair 2006
WHEN?	Saturday March 4, 2006 6pm 'TIL MIDNIGHT
WHERE?	Where else? Cal Neva Resort-Spa-Casino Stateline, Nevada
WHY?	For the "time of your life" & Dinner, (cocktails) Awards, & Dancing
Cost?	\$60 per person
Value?	Priceless (of course)

Celebrate with your friends and your competitors, acknowledge the sponsors
and dance to the tunes of DJ ????.
RSVP to your Race Director....see you at Stateline

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RACE PREPARATION CLINICS SPONSORED BY OPEN LEAGUE RACING

All clinics are for new and experienced racers and attendees are grouped according to skill level. All clinics are taught by experienced PSIA instructors who have a race background.

Classes are from 8 to 10 people. There must be at least 8 snowboarders in order to offer a special snowboard group.

Alpine & Homewood clinics run 9:30-12:30;
Northstar runs either 9:00-12:00 or 1:00-4:00.

Space is very limited, so register early.
clinic lift ticket Open League racers

*Date Location price price priority deadline **
Dec. 17 Northstar \$30 23+yrs \$46 November 26

13-22yrs \$36,

65-69yrs \$45

70+yrs \$19

Jan. 7 Alpine \$36 \$39 December 17

Feb. 4 Homewood TBD January 14

Feb. 11 Northstar same as above January 21

** Registration opens to anyone after this date.*

To register, or for more information, please contact:

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