

Tracks Keeping you up to date on the Chesapeake Ski and Board Club

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From the Board

While this winter has been incredibly warm, the local resorts are still open, and the Pacific Northwest has been getting more snow than they can handle. We hope that you'll check out our February calendar and join us for some of our upcoming events.

This weekend is our trip to Killington, and this will be one of our biggest trips ever. We are taking well over 20 people for what is sure to be a memorable weekend. If you missed out on this trip, and Whistler there is still time to get involved with a late season trip out west. If you are interested send us an email.

Lessons Learned - Utah Ski Trip

With our frequent flyer miles set to expire and a winter storm bearing down on Utah, a few of us decided to trek out to Salt Lake City for a 5 night trip. Our visit turned out very well, and was relatively inexpensive. If you find yourself in a similar situation you might want to use our itinerary as a guide.

Lodging

We stayed at the <u>Magnuson Hotel</u> in Midvale, which is on the south side of the city. The hotel has skiing packages which include your lift ticket to <u>Snowbird</u>, <u>Alta</u>, <u>Solitude</u>, or <u>Brighton</u>. Our package ran just under \$100 per night. The amenities are midgrade, but more than adequate. There is a morning continental breakfast included with the room. It has the typical cold breakfast spread plus Belgian waffles.

Transportation

Staying at the Magnuson was ideal because of its close proximity to public transportation. The Super Pass you get for your lift tickets gets you on the UTA shuttles up to the mountains. You can take the **990** bus to Snowbird and Alta, or if the road is closed due to weather hop on the **960** bus to Brighton and Solitude. The bus comes every half hour and you are the first stop which makes it easy to find a seat.

At the same bus stop is the 9700 Salt Lake City Trax station. This is also free with your ski pass, and lets you get down town in 25 minutes. Between the Trax and UTA busses we had no need for a car. There is a planned Trax route to the SLC airport, but it won't open for another year. So you do need to hire a shuttle for around \$18 to get back and forth to the airport.

Weather & complications

During our trip we received several feet of snow. This caused the roads to get backed up with traffic, and the busses became overcrowded. One night it took over 3 hours to get back into town on a standing room only bus. This is not the norm, but if you get a lot of the snow in the afternoon we suggest ending your day early to avoid that headache.

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Resort Openings









Temperatures have dropped and snowmaking is now in full swing.

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February - Event Calendar

For all events please RSVP with a phone number so we don't leave you behind. Events are hosted by different members. Please send one email per event with an appropriate subject line.

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A Tune Your Ride

2/18 Bring your gear out between noon and 3:00pm and we'll guide you through waxing, sharpening, and even repairing your boards and skis. This event will be at our new shop located at 6608 Rumfire CT. Glen Burnie, MD 21060.

B Liberty Night Skiing

2/22 Wednesday: Meet at the Liberty clock tower at 5:30pm.

Snowboarding Lessons

Jared Smith our membership officer is providing snowboarding lessons a few times a month. Meet Jared at 3:00pm at Liberty. Please send us an email if there is another date or time that works better for you. Jared boards at liberty regularly and is willing to work with you to find an agreeable time. Jared is an experienced rider who can help you whether you're a novice, or looking to improve your rail rinds and jumping skills.

DShow-n-Go Day Trips

2/24-2/25 Blue Knob This is a one night trip up to Claysburg, PA. RSVP so we have a head count for carpooling, and coordinating any plan changes. You will be responsible for your own lift ticket and lodging, which should total around \$150.00

E Killington Trip

Killington Vermont Trip. We have over 20 people signed up and ready to make this the largest club trip to date. We have a huge cabin reserved for a trip to remember.

Event details can change so for all events please RSVP by email with a phone number.





Night Club Cards are Ready!

Night Club Cards are ready and waiting for those of you who ordered them. Be sure to head up to Liberty to pick them up. If this is your first NCC you will need to have your picture taken. Allow up to half an hour to get your card if the lines are long. All the resorts are open and making snow, so now is the time to get back out there.

Social Networking

We are putting a larger emphasis on our social networking outlets. So follow us on *Twitter*, friend us on *Facebook*, and join us *Meetup.com*. Click any of the buttons below to go right to our pages. This winter social networking will be the best way to join us for trips to the local resorts, or anywhere else the snow is falling.









We spotted these three guys working on the chairlifts at Brighton while the chairs are still running! What a crazy cool job.