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President's Message -

Hello Fellow Gators,

As summer approaches, the Gators are beginning a new year. I want to thank the outgoing board of directors for all their support. We accomplished a lot this year and it could not have been done without all their hard work. I also want to welcome the new board of directors and look forward to working with them.

We are hard at work formulating ski trips for the upcoming season. There are many exciting trips planned and they will be announced at the July meeting. The week after the meeting we will have trip leader sign-up. So if you are interested in leading or assisting on a trip please attend. For more information please contact the V.P. of Ski Trips, Susan Fines.

This year the Gators are sponsoring an early season trip to Vail. The dates are from December 10th through the 16th. Since it's an early trip, we have already put the trip on sale. So if you are interested please contact either John Paglialungo, or Susan Fines. It's going to be a great trip!!

We are currently looking for members to serve on a Communications Committee. That committee will be responsible for running of the web site, facebook, and any other forms of communication they deem necessary. If interested please contact me.

Finally, I want to remind everyone of our upcoming activities. On July 12th we have Blue Jeans Night Out with Ben Smith. From August 19th through the 21st we have our annual weekend at the Rainbow on the Ocean. In September we have our Labor Day golf outing at Spring Lake. And don't forget our Happy Hours every Friday. For further information, please consult the pages of this issue of the Gator Tales.

Have a great, safe summer and we'll see you at our events.

Bruce Holtzman, President

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Ski Trip Leader sign Up Meeting

PGA Marriott Hotel Lobby 7:00 pm

Volunteer to be a trip leader to the 2012 ski season!

So much more than just a ski club!

Social Committee Meeting Thursday, June 23rd at Cardello's

Meeting will start at 6:30 pm. Please attend to help plan the great Social events that the Gators are famous for!



May 12, 2011 General Meeting Carnival Night was a really fun night with free popcorn, elephant ears (balls), and caramel covered apple slices. Alligator ring toss, toss the coin and bean bag toss games were enjoyed by everyone, with fun prizes for all. The 50/50 was won by Susan Belgard who said she bought 13 tickets for \$10 because the next day was Friday the 13th. Many people renewed or joined the club to avoid the lines at

Rainbow on the Ocean August 19-21

There are only 8 rooms left as of 5/13. They are all upstairs. There are 6 one bedrooms @ \$100 per night and 2 hotel rooms @ \$95. Per night. This fun event will happen again under the new VP of Socials, Carole Kay. If you didn't reserve yet, call or email Rainbow on the Ocean [in-fo@rainbowontheocean.com](mailto:info@rainbowontheocean.com). Besides the discounted room rates based on a 2-night stay, there will be a nominal charge per person for entertainment.

May 22 Membership Picnic at the Jupiter Civic Center

Hundreds of your friends came to the membership picnic, to share some food and fun! Donna Datz and her helpers were busy at the membership table for people to join or renew.

Blue Jean Night Out (BJNO)

Snuggery 6 PM Tuesday July 12 2011

July 12 2011 **Tuesday**... 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM ? @ the Snuggery 2556 Palm Beach Gardens Blvd (SW corner PBG & Prosperity Farms RD. Shoot pool , play table shuffle board , play some of your favorite songs on the jukebox, and just have a casual relaxing time. This is a chance to talk to people without having to shout over a band..... (Smoking is allowed at this place.....they have a filtering system and it did not seem that bad to me) Please feel to invite others that may enjoy this activity. I will have a couple of Pizzas brought in at 6pm as there is a very limited menu at the Snuggery. **You are allowed to bring in your own food/snacks....** Please bring something if you plan on eating (THANKS) **Bring \$\$\$ for pool table , jukebox and drinks etc. THIS HAS BEEN APPROVED AS A GATOR SNOW SKI CLUB SOCIAL EVENT** Please mark your calendars. Hope to see you there Ben 775-3481 E-mail bbsdob525@aol

This is my first year as an elected officer on the Board for our club. It is amazing to me that I have been chosen to be VP of Socials as it is a very important and challenging position. The challenge gives us the opportunity to bring our past into a new future and build an even better club for our members. With volunteers, our club will continue to be one of the most active clubs in the Palm Beaches. It is my goal to engage our members through volunteering and ask all of you to consider contributing to our events. Our club has had the great fortune of having volunteers year in and year out who dedicate their time to ensure our events are successful. We need more of you to volunteer so please consider adding your talent to the mix of our current club volunteers. With you, we can continue our success as a club and offer many exciting events throughout the year.

A few changes have been made to the Social Committee meeting schedule. It is now held on Thursdays instead of Mondays and we will begin the meeting at 6:30 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for June 23rd at Cardello's. I am looking into rotating the location for these meetings with the goal of having a meeting in central PB County (Duffy's off Village Boulevard) every other month or at the very least once a quarter. This is in response to the feedback I received from our members who live in the southern portion of our county.

Look forward to a delicious General Meeting in June and fun activities to be planned throughout the year as Evie Houston has offered to continue her efforts in making our General Meetings more entertaining and fun.

The Membership picnic was a huge success and we came in under budget. Great job! In August we have Rainbow on the Ocean to look forward to and hope to have some additional summer activities planned for our members in July. Look for more to come on activities with some new and exciting events.

Your VP Socials—Carole Kaye ypsocals@carolekayrealty.com or 561-801-3400



Susan's Ski Scoop



Just want to say thanks for the support and I am looking forward to a great ski season this up coming year.

Also, I would like to thank our past VP of Ski Trips, Don Chalaire.

We are very busy planning our 2012 ski year right now. Some of our trips are already in place.

We are doing something a little different this year. We have a trip for sale now. Our Board of Directors has approved a trip to Vail Colorado. It is scheduled for December 10-16th, 2011. Our trip leader is John Pagliaglunco. We will have this trip for sale at the June meeting. If you want to jump on board contact John @ 561-891-0009 or email: paglialg@comcast.net. We had enough interest from our members to offer an early trip this year. The January Florida Ski Council Trip to Steamboat, Colorado, and January 21-28th has also been approved. We are staying at a ski in/out, at Chateau Chamonix and our trip Leader is Marie York and the Assistant is Lin Lambert. These 2 ladies will make a wonderful team and I know they want everyone to have a great time. Steamboat Springs Colorado is know for its Champagne Powder and is truly a magical place when the sun comes out over the mountain. If you haven't been skiing in Steamboat it truly is a place to see and if you have been you already know how wonderful it is. Our other trips are all in the works and will be announced soon.

HELP WANTED

We need a new team of volunteers to lead trips. We will be looking for trip leaders and assistants. The volunteers sign up meeting is scheduled for June 16 at 7:00 pm at the PGA Marriott Hotel Lobby. The success of our trips is dependent on the trip leaders. If you have been on a club ski trip before, you know, and now you qualify to be a leader. Our club has a history of volunteerism and always needs members who will give us there time. Come to the meeting, we will discuss the trips, the opportunities, and you will meet other interested leaders and assistants. For more information, please feel free to contact me directly at smfines2@yahoo.com, I look forward to hearing from you.

Be sure and read your Gator Tales for updates about our upcoming ski season.
Come and ski with old friends and make new ones too.

VP Ski Trips—Susan Fines



Ski Trip Leader Sign up Meeting

Thursday, June 16th 7:00 pm at Marriott Hotel Lobby

Come volunteer to be a trip leader or assistant for one of next years's ski trips!

Volunteers are what make our ski club one of the best in the nation—be part of it!

For information on all the Social Events, Special Activities, and Ski Trips,

*beck out the club website: **www.gatorsnowskiclub.com***

June Happy Hours



June Happy Hour Schedule!

June 3rd - Tall Tales at Gander Mountain
(Behind Home Depot, just off of Northlake & I95)
Happy Hour 1/2 price drinks until 10:00 pm

June 10th - Panama Hatties & the Rum Bar
PGA Blvd, east side of Intracoastal Waterway
Happy Hour prices until 7:00 pm, Food, Live Music

June 17th - North Palm Beach Country Club
US #1, just South of the bridge
(they have dancing along with great prices on drinks and food etc)

June 24th - Grumpy Grouper
Lantana Road, just east of I-95
They have all you can eat fish and chips for \$9.99 that is delicious

July 3rd— Waterway Café—PGA Blvd, just west of Intracoastal

Special Thanks to the organizers of our fantastic Happy Hours!
Call Dave Schue (561) 383-1080 or Bob Miller (561) 310-2628
with suggestions for new venues.

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The Gator Snow Ski & Activities Club
is one of the best ski clubs in the nation, year after year
after year, in a large part due to our volunteers!

The more you give, the more you will get!

Have you been on a ski trip? Why not step up and volunteer to be a Trip Leader or Assistant Trip Leader for one of next year's ski trips? Without good leaders, we could never have all our trips and be SO successful!

Have an idea for a Special Activity or Social event? Come to the Socials /Activities Committee meeting on June 23rd or contact the VP Socials—Carole Kay or VP Special Activities—Vi Ware
Volunteer to help!

It's YOUR Club - VOLUNTEER!

Recess for Adults

VP of Special Activities Vi Ware

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Hi Gators,

I am very excited to be your new VP of Special Activities. It is an honor to follow in June Nash's footsteps. We have lots of fun events coming up for you to enjoy. Please let me know what kind of events you want and I will take them to the board for approval. Some great suggestions so far:

Octoberfest in Munich (Bob Horniak suggested)

Cruise next year (Helen Crawford investigating fun cruises)

Daytona races (Richard Morley checking into this)

Baseball at Roger Dean Stadium/Thirsty Thursday

\$2.00 beers (Rick Paul gathering info)

Karaoke night with Roger MacDornell and other great gator singers at Applebees after membership meeting

Miniature golf outing at 76 Golf World in Stuart

Mount Dora Biking next October (Kelly Lunsford getting the scoop on this one)

Camping in Sabastian at Long Point Park (Captain Ron checking it out)

Progressive Bike Dinner in Jupiter Farms (Ben Smith & Tim Kuhn and Tif and Gene)

Biking in Holland

Boating raft up/picnic (Monte McLendon)

Club Med outing in PSL (Julia Maurer)

Please let me know what fun events you want to do!



Machu Picchu & Galapagos Cruise

June 14-25

Watch next month's newsletter

LEGENDARY DANUBE RIVER CRUISE OCTOBER 14-28, 2011 INCLUDING DRACULA

CASTLE TOUR

PRICE \$4650* CLASS B

CABIN

\$4750* CLASS A CABIN.

Deposit \$500.00

We have reserved 20 cabins

12 class B and 10 class A Cabins **first come first choice.**

Contact Nancy Rollins Honey6000@aol.com

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itinerary we are excited to offer this world class tour for our travelers

Inclusions:

Bus transportation to Miami International

Round trip airfare from Miami International Airport via Lufthansa Airlines

Airline fuel surcharge (subject to change)

Cruise port charges

Cruise, Ground transportation and all transfers

Accommodations at hotels with private bath as listed or similar on ground portion

10-night cruise aboard the MS Kleine Prinz ("Little Prince") in a category B main deck outside facing cabin or upgrade class A

34 meals: 13 buffet breakfasts (B), 9 lunches (L), 12 dinners (D)

Comprehensive sightseeing as per itinerary with admission fees included

Porterage of one piece of luggage per person at hotel and cruise, Services of English speaking tour guides throughout, Trip Insurance, Tips except airport porters.

We will arrive in Bucharest, Romania on to tour Dracula's Castle then board our Boat to begin our 10 day cruise we will visit Bulgaria, Serbia, Hungary, Budapest, Slovakia and end our trip in Vienna.

*All Prices, Itineraries are subject to change.



Coming soon!

Labor Day Golf Outing and River Ranch in November

For up to date information on all events go to:

www.gatorsnowskiclub.com

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**CHECK WEB SITE FOR DATES
 AND TIMES for all events:**
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 club of the Florida
 Ski Council

NEXT GATOR SNOW SKI & ACTIVITIES CLUB MEETING Thursday, June 9th

June Calendar of Events

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
May 29	30 Happy Memorial Day	31	JUNE 1st	2 7:00 Board Meeting PGA Marriott	3 Happy Hour Tall Tales @ Gander Mtn. No Lake & I-95	4 FSC Meetings Innsbruck Resort
5 FSC Meetings Innsbruck Resort	6	7	8	9 General Membership PGA Marriott	10 Happy Hour Panama Hatties & The Rum Bar PGA Blvd.	11
12	13	14	15	16 Ski Trip Leader sign Up meeting PGA Marriott	17 Happy Hour North Palm Beach Country Club US 1, NPB	18
19	20	21	22	23 Social / Activities Committee Meeting	24 Happy Hour Grumpy Grouper Lantana E of 95	25
26	27	28	29	30	July 1 Happy Hour @ Waterway Café PGA Blvd	2

IMPORTANT FUTURE DATES

May Board meeting, Thursday, July 7th at 7:00 pm @ PGA Marriott RCA Blvd
 General Membership Meeting, Thursday, July 14th @ PGA Marriott RCA Blvd.

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