

The Ski Boonie

Columbia Ski Club Newsletter December 2022

Last SKIER'S NIGHT OUT for 2022, **December 5th @ Park** – the Restaurant at Discovery Ridge, south of Columbia

This month for Skier's Night Out, we'll have a sorta pre-Christmas gathering to go along with the pre-trip party for Aspen/Snowmass 2022 at Park. All paid club members are invited for this night. It's a **Monday night**, this time, since they've decided to open now on Mondays. The restaurant is on the west side of Hwy 63, just north of the Discovery Ridge overpass at 6pm for drinks and conversation. Some last minute ironing out of times and locations on car/van pooling for the upcoming trip can be finalized with this group of 21 going to Aspen Square in a week. Just go to the Discovery Ridge exit ramp and go North on the west outer road. You can't miss the restaurant (any info on a meeting can be handled at 7). Grab a seat at the long table in the northeast part of the place, since it seats 16, with 3 more tables along the window for our use. Go in the front door and turn right and another right, and grab a chair at the table by the fireplace. If you are in need of an address, it's **4380 Nocona Parkway**. No real topic at this time, just come and enjoy, imbibe and maybe eat while you're there. Appetizers will be furnished for this.

ON THE WEBSITE

If you've not done so, take a look at the website for this club at <http://columbiajeffcityskiandboard.org/>. There's plenty of past ski trip pics for memories & viewing, plus the Aspen ski trip flyer, the club application to complete and either bring along to a meeting or send in, and the other 8 FSA club's trip flyers. Please send any old pics from ski trips past to Bill Harris, our webmaster at his email of comoskiclub@gmail.com.

ASPEN / SNOWMASS Dec 11 – 16, 2022

This trip has a group of 21 attending. The cost covers 5 nights at Aspen Square Condominium Hotel, starting on a Sunday afternoon, and with a 3-day lift ticket included. Pricing is set at \$850, with a non-skier price set at \$655. Saturday night Dec 10th is to be the first nite in the mountains at Glenwood Springs. Staying at the Starlight Lodge allows for some acclamation to the altitude in advance of going up the valley to Aspen Square. Cost for overnighing at Starlight is not included in the pricing. Reservations have been made for about a dozen to 14 of us at Starlight Lodge on the north side of I-70 in downtown Glenwood Springs. Just mention Columbia Ski Club to gal on duty there. Then it's a short walk over to the Canyon Brew Pub or Juicy

Lucy's Steakhouse, both across from the AmTrak Station, and on 7th Street & just a few blocks to the southeast across the I-70 walking bridge. For those in need of rentals, I've sent out info for the pass code at Four Mountain Sports, and more copies will be available at the meeting. A rooming list has been sent to Aspen Square (that could get tweaked a bit) and lift tickets have been ordered before I left for Florida in mid-Nov.

To see the condos, go to <https://www.aspensquarehotel.com> and preview these rooms, pool, workout room, hot tubs & courtyard. These condos are only 64 steps to the gondola, just to the south of our place. The town grocery store is across the street to the east. Buses for trips to Highlands, Buttermilk and Snowmass are lined up at the depot, at a walk of a block to the west. Ski equipment rental is at Four Mountain Sports at the SE part of the next block to the west. A group dinner is being planned for our final nite in Aspen and included in the cost. It's also a "clean-out-stuff-from-your-refrigerator" night for the dinner. On the other 2 nights, we'll likely have some group dinner arrangements, with maybe a trip to the Hickory House BBQ on the main hwy coming into Aspen, and another evening of something in the way of fun at the Jerome Hotel. There's no lacking for dining and imbibing close by in town.

Captain Ron, trip captain once more. 573-881-8861.

See ya at Park on Dec 5th.
Ron Lueck – aka "Captain Ron"