



GLASGOW SKI CLUB

JANUARY 2016

A bit of an erratic winter this season! Snow arrives, melts, arrives, melts. The temperature at the moment in the Glasgow area is +13C. It was that temperature last July!! Hopefully something positive on the horizon. This from the BBC weather site -

Monday 8 February—Sunday 28 February

Something colder on the cards? When we get to this range of forecasting, we start to look at general trends and patterns that are emerging from the various computer models. At this stage these models are indicating a greater risk of something colder emerging. This usually means that the wind direction will come more frequently from a northerly direction bringing cold air further south. The transition in weather from a relatively milder pattern to something colder will be a tricky one and is unlikely to set in suddenly; the change is likely to happen over a number of days.

However, it is worth mentioning that the colder pattern that is emerging is associated with high pressure across northwestern parts of Europe. This

usually means that weather fronts that have the potential to bring snow, are kept away from the UK. So the likelihood of a snowfall event at this stage is low. Watch this space to see how this signal is shaping up next week.

SCOTTISH SKIING

Because of the distinct lack of good skiing conditions, we have not yet organised a Sunday trip to Glencoe. However we will get things organised if and when the conditions improve to give us some good sport.

To help members of the club get to Glencoe we are instigating an 'email alert system'!

Have you ever tried to find other ski club members to arrange a days skiing ?

The full low down -

The club has set up a system that will allow you to post a note that you wish to go skiing and are looking for others to join you. It sounds like social networking, it is, but is only open to club members and is managed solely by the club.

If you are interested please send an email to JoinGSCskiday@gmail.com

Your email address will not be shared with other people in the group (that is those who have joined) however when you post a note and it is circulated around the group your email address will appear as the sender.

If you sent an email to JoinGSCskiday@gmail.com stating that you wish to join the group you will receive a confirmation email and further instructions. The email you send from will be used as your contact email.

The club is only managing the initial contact between you the group members, thereafter you must contact them and make your own arrangements.

When you post a note it will be circulated around the group without being read or vetted and the sender will be identified.

If you wish at some future date to remove your name from the list, just email JoinGSCskiday@gmail.com with your request.

ENJOY

Many thanks to John Douglas for getting this organised for the club.

CCONTINENTAL HOLIDAY 2017

The committee has started to finalise the choice of where to go next season (2016 / 2017) for the Club holiday. Although the final decision has not yet

been made there is a strong possibility we will go to a resort the Club has not been to before. Austria? More in the next Skinews (or even before).

AND, for those going on this year's holiday to Morzine, a picture of Morzine on Friday 24th Jan.



Airport on Saturday 27th February.

This suggestion may help one or two members with their parking.

Louise Paton lives close to the airport and has a free parking space where she parks her own car.

'Re car parking for ski hol, I thought you might like to know that I can offer parking at my house in Cramond! I am about 15 mins from airport = you can Google Map me on EH4 6HY to see location.

My house is part of a terrace of stone cottages which has a garden in front, all overlooking a road and car parking area. The parking area is there because it's part of a very popular walking which goes from Granton, nearer city centre, extending, passed me, to both eventually, the Airport and Queensferry. There are residents cars parked there all the time, and

visitors, day and night. There is no charge, and it would save you, and anybody else who would like to do this, a week's airport parking. We could then share a taxi to the airport which is about £15.

Re parking here - I wanted to alleviate any concerns re cover car - just phone your car insurance company, tell them where your car is parked (EH4 6HY) and it will be covered.

Google Map with airport and my house EH4 6HY /Directions to see how near it is.

Also, if you want to book a taxi, give my postcode.

Also, if you want to minimise costs even more, it's a 10-min walk to top of hill, a bus ride to Gyle Centre (20mins) then tram (£1.50) to airport. EASY!

Contact number - 01418836665

SnowFactor -

The club will be continuing our season long practice skiing nights at the indoor 'snowdome'.

The evenings regularly start with a meal in China Buffet King at 7.00pm until (about) 8.30pm. We ski from 9.00pm - 10.00pm and usually finish the evening off with apres ski drink in the bar. It would be great to get as many members along as possible to make these evenings successful - even if you only come for the skiing! At ONLY £13 for the hour's (subsidised) skiing it is a real bargain! Make sure YOU don't miss out on this great offer from the Club. For further information please contact Roy Craig on 0141 883 6665. (Please note -

helmets must be worn - supplied by SnowFactor as part of the deal).

The next ski practice nights are :-

February - 23rd

March - 29th.

April - 26th

For those members who are coming on the Ski Club holiday and have not yet had a 'slide on the white stuff' because of the conditions why not come along to our February practice night? This would be an ideal opportunity to get in a few turns on real snow before heading for France. It is the perfect way to get those ski legs back in use after, possibly, an extended lay off from skiing and be hitting the slopes ready to rock and roll At only £13 it is an absolute steal - how can you not come along!! It'll be great to see you.



Club Discount Night -

Blues The Ski Store -

30% off everything (excluding sale items) on **WEDNESDAY 3rd**

FEBRUARY

Where - Blues in Tiso 50 Couper Place, Glasgow.

When - 5.00pm - 8.00pm.

Glasgow Ski Club membership card required.

Many other discounts available through our membership of SSS. Please look at their website for details.

SOCIAL.. SOCIAL..

A very enjoyable evening was had by members and guests at our Club Burns Supper. It has been three years since we had a Burns Supper. Two years ago we had to cancel it and last year we did nothing, which was disappointing seeing that the Club had a very long tradition of organising this annual event. It was one of the highlights of our social calendar. Anyway, we held a sort of 'low key' Burns Supper in Milngavie which I think everybody thoroughly enjoyed. Many thanks must go to the following :- Jim and Sheila Beck for allowing us the use of their house; The three musicians for their excellent violin rendition of Burns Songs. Charlie Gow for his eloquent recital of Holy Wullie's Prayer Mrs Hannah for the usual high class catering. Marilyn for singing a selection of Burns songs.

Anyway - thanks to all for making a very enjoyable evening.



Khublai Khans Mongolian Barbecue Restaurant
26 Candleriggs, Merchant City, Glasgow, G1 1LD on Friday 19th February.

If you want to try something just a little bit different then this meal out is for you! We were here last year and the members who came along were very impressed with the variety of food on offer.

A request has been made to have a pre-holiday 'get together,' so the committee thought that we would combine the two and make the Kublai Khan visit our 'get together'. Names please to David Brand on 0131 884 8151. You can book upto Monday evening 22nd February. Booking will normally be made on the Tuesday before the meal. If you book after Monday night the club cannot be sure of a place for you on the Friday night. We thank you for your understanding and cooperation on this matter.

March Monthly Meal Out..

The March Meal Out is going to be Chinese and will be held on Friday 18th March at 7.30pm. Restaurant TBA

REMEMBER -

The Club meets every Thursday night in the Bon Accord, North Street, Glasgow from about 9.00pm onwards for a chat and a refreshment. This when we start to plan our Sunday Ski Trips to (probably) Glencoe as well as where we may be going on our Sunday walking trips (weather

permitting).

Come along one and all - it'll be great
to see you!

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