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Anthony Lakes Ski Trip

by Darryl Kuhrt
(Photos by Mark Barnard)

Bluebird skiing conditions and great, knee-deep powder — what more could you ask for?

Anthony Lakes Ski Area is rather small, but packed a lot of fun! Part of the fun was having old friends from **BBSC** (17 of us) and new friends from the Mountain High Snow Sports Club from Portland with whom to ski. Then, if you're into it (this sort of thing), there was also all that fresh powder!



Photo of Mark Barnard taken by Mark McGavin.

Anthony Lakes is only open Thursday through Sunday, so arriving to ski Thursday morning meant conditions ranged from knee-deep to waist-deep powder! Several folks who had not yet experienced powder, discovered their inner powder hound! Lots of smiles with child-like glee was a common sight. It was definitely a fun-filled jaunt that proved it's not the size of the mountain that matters, but the amount of fun the mountain packs!

The camaraderie off the mountain also made for a great time! From wine & cheese to very good restaurants and microbrews - Lobster Manicotti anyone? Needless to say, everyone had a great time and members of both clubs are looking for more opportunities to get together again. You definitely want to

consider one of these little, nearby trips when they come up!

Whitefish Montana Ski Trip 2019

by Anna Anderson (Photos by Don Pribble)

On a snowy, very early morning, our group of eager skiers patiently waited as their plane was being de-iced. We were en route to Whitefish Montana, where we were hopeful of great skiing and good times! After what seemed like an eternity, the plane was given its clearance and our ski group was finally on its way!



Patiently waiting?

Upon arrival at Glacier International Airport (some flights are to and from Canada, making it International), our group was met by a representative from the Whitefish Lodge, where we would be staying.



Ryan and his friendly staff assisted us in loading our luggage, skis and boot bags into their vans, and then we were off. As we arrived at the Lodge, we were greeted with a warm Welcome Reception with wine, beer, and snacks. The staff from the Lodge gave us detailed information regarding the area, hotel amenities such as the pool, hot tubs, and Spa, and things to see and do. They

Ryan from Whitefish Lodge

even arranged to have the Mountain Ambassadors speak to us about the snow conditions, terrain of the mountain, and even offer a private guided morning tour for our group. We eagerly took them up on that!

The next three days were filled with great skiing, wonderful snow conditions, and fantastic views of the Canadian Mountains, the Glacier area, Whitefish Lake and the beautiful surrounding valley. Temperatures were quite chilly, however that did not bother the



Top of Summit House looking southwest to Whitefish Lake



Tree skiing

bunch of rugged skiers. We bundled up and had a blast exploring the mountain, skiing the trees, and enjoying the groomers.



When the group was not skiing, we enjoyed the comforts of our Lodge and visiting the quaint town of Whitefish. The Lodge offered large guest rooms that came with fireplaces, a fantastic restaurant and bar with lake views, and our own private gathering room, where we met to sip wine and discuss the day's adventures. Whitefish Lodge was fantastic, with a warm, inviting atmosphere and a staff that really knew how to cater to its clientele.

Lynda being greeted by the "bellman."



Cowboy art enjoying the warmth of the fireplace.



The town of Whitefish offered many galleries and shops, not to mention breweries, pubs and restaurants. We all enjoyed the Western theme.

Our group enjoying the Great Northern Brewing Company.



All-in-all Whitefish was a great destination. We did find great skiing and good times! We had great accommodations, convenient access to the ski hill (only ten minutes away), a lively western town to explore, and so much more! It was a good time with a super group of people. Many have requested another trip for next year. We shall see.....!

L to R: Kerry Anderson, Doug Baker, Lynda Clark, Lynne Van Trieste, Mike Hanson, Henry Gonzalez, Jeffrey Rosendin, Paul Markowitz, Sue Baker, Ted Hogander, Mary Pribble, Jef Wolstenholme, Anna Anderson, Soon-Hie Sargen (Global Travel Agent), & Guy Exon. Photo by Don Pribble.

Apathy vs. Empathy: A psychological Approach to Winter Sports Safety

by Michael Bouton

When you first hear the title of this safety article, do you agree or disagree that it has merit? The idea of being more empathetic on the slopes and becoming more safety conscious is a big question. You may first think, if I follow the skier code and use common sense decisions, won't that keep me safe? Well, I don't agree completely with that thinking. Please let me explain.

The apathetic individual is that person who puts his/her boots on in the parking lot when other cars are arriving to park. He/she has the side doors open and usually takes one full parking space. It's not only impolite, it is unsafe because the other drivers cannot always see what is in the way. You may have experienced this but thought nothing of it. The empathetic individual puts his/her boots on at the rear of the vehicle and watches out for others.

I believe a similar approach on the slopes can prevent accidents in a much more serious manner. Here are a few examples of an empathetic individual:

- Expect skiers or boarders downhill from you to do the unexpected, especially if they are beginners.
- If you are skiing/boarding with a group, don't stop in the middle of the run and form a picket fence.
- Don't stop over the crest of a rise on the slope, even if you think you are off to the side.
- Be aware of others around you and how fast they are going compared to you. If you think someone is coming up on your side, don't try to cut across the slope.
- Understand how the lift lines form and be ready to step up when it is your turn.
- Understand the lack of experience of some on the ski hill. Put yourself in their position and take a breath. A little patience can go a long way.
- Know that if you are a faster skier, there may be others that get in your way. Please be cautious.
- The idea of the ski run being your own doesn't work when others are there as well; share the space.

In conclusion, keep in mind that safety is the most important part of skiing and boarding. If you don't agree, you may fit into the apathy side of this equation. I'd like you to think about this idea and know you can make a difference with your attitude. It just may make your ski season much better and longer. Please be cautious, patient, and aware of your surroundings when you are having fun on the slopes.



*Apathy may result in this.
Empathy significantly helps avoid it.*

Remember — “A vs. E = safety for all.”

The following article first appeared in the January 2009 issue of the Mogul. No author was named. The entire issue may be viewed online at **Bogus Basin Ski Club** website [at this link](#).

Skier's Responsibility

As the winter ski season gears up, please remember your responsibilities as a skier or boarder.

1. Always stay in control and be able to stop or avoid other people or objects.
2. People ahead of you have the right of way. It is your responsibility to avoid them.
3. You must not stop where you obstruct a trail or are not visible from above.
4. Whenever starting downhill or merging into a trail, look uphill and yield to others.
5. Always use devices to help prevent runaway equipment.
6. Observe all posted signs and warnings. Keep off closed trails and out of closed areas.
7. Prior to using any lift, you must have the knowledge and ability to load, ride and unload safely.