



# Piste Again

The Newsletter Of The Ski Club Of South Africa

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## November 2011

### 2011 : The year that was!

The past year was (as recorded by the proverbial Curate when referring to his breakfast egg) good in parts! There was good snow on Matroosberg ... but not enough of it to make 2011 a truly memorable skiing season.

Those who ventured up M'berg this past winter will all admit that they had a lot of fun (rather than a lot of snowboarding and skiing).

Of note, however, was the spectacular success achieved by our Ladies in the **2011 South African Alpine Skiing Championships** (held at AfriSki, Lesotho during July this year).



Rose Duff winning the SA Giant Slalom title

Between the 3 of them (**Clare Davies, Rose Duff and Dragana Jevtovic**) they managed to scoop **2 Gold Medals and 2 Silver Medals**.

(*Note: Full details of their individual successes were reported in the August 2011 edition of 'Piste Again', the Ski Club of SA newsletter.*)

### Important dates for you to put into your diary!

## 3 & 4 December 2011

### Cherry-picking weekend, Klondyke Cherry Farm

The **Ski Club** has already booked the **Bokwagters Hut** (on Matroosberg Reserve, Erfdeel Farm) for the night of Saturday 3rd December.

*See inside (page 2) for further details.*

## 2 January 2012

### Annual Membership Subscriptions now due!

Yup! ... It's that time of the year again! Your **2012 Annual Membership Subs** are due for payment on the first business day of next year ... i.e. on Monday **2nd January 2012**. Please do budget for this now!

*See inside (page 2) for further details.*

## 18 & 19 February 2012

### Ski Equipment Hut clean out & Work Party !!!

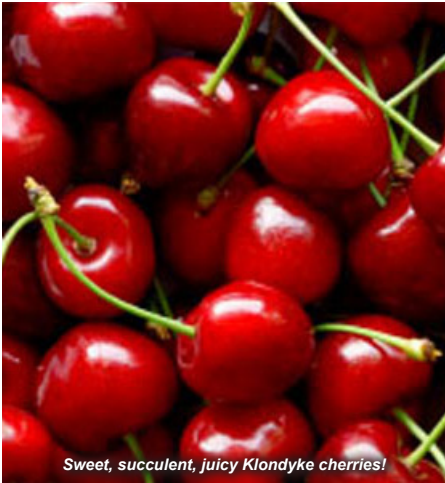
You have now had plenty of warning !!! The **Ski Club Equipment Hut** on Matroosberg is due for a general clean-out.

*See inside (page 3) for further details.*

## Wednesday 18 April 2012

### Annual General Meeting

The **AGM of The Ski Club of SA** will be held at **The Mountain Club of SA Hall**, Hatfield Street, Gardens on **Wednesday 18 April 2012**. *Notice and Agenda on page 4.*



Sweet, succulent, juicy Klondyke cherries!

## Cherry Picking Weekend! Saturday 3 December & Sunday 4 December 2011

The trees on **Klondyke Cherry Farm** are laden with succulent, sweet cherries.

The Ski Club has booked the 'Bokwagter's Hut' on Erfdeel Farm (Matroosberg Reserve) for the night of **Saturday 3 December 2011**.

**Gaby Claassens** is the Convenor for the **Cherry Picking Weekend**. Gaby can be contacted at: Cellphone **084 512 2927** and/or Email <[aclaassens@webafrica.org.za](mailto:aclaassens@webafrica.org.za)>.

Bring your braai goodies, bring your liquid refreshments!, bring your sleeping bag, and please also remember to bring your **2011 Ski Club of SA Membership Card**.

**NB: If you're going cherry picking then please FIRST contact Gaby to confirm both sleeping arrangements and final cherry picking arrangements.**



Bokwagters Hut : Matroosberg



**Yup! It's that time of the year again !!!**  
Please assist the Ski Club of SA and pay your 2012 Annual Membership Subscription a.s.a.p.  
To remind you as to how much you owe:

<b>Adult Members (21 years and older)</b>
<b>R300.00</b>
<b>Junior Members (12 to 21 years)</b>
<b>R150.00</b>
<b>Locker rental (per locker/per annum)</b>
<b>R50.00</b>

**Cheques** (made in favour of 'The Ski Club of South Africa') can be mailed to:  
**The Honorary Treasurer, Ski Club of SA,  
P O Box 26723, Hout Bay 7872.**

Or ... far more preferable ... a **direct bank deposit**, or **electronic funds transfer (EFT)**, can be paid directly into the **Ski Club of SA bank account** (see details h/w).



## Standard Bank

Bank : Standard Bank of SA  
Branch : Claremont  
IBT/Branch Code : 02 51 09 01  
Account No : 27 020 617 5  
Account name : Ski Club of South Africa  
Payment reference : Your name

# Ski Equipment Storage Hut on Matroosberg Clean-Out & Work Party : 18 & 19 February 2012

It has now become almost impossible to go into the Ski Equipment Hut on Matroosberg without either: (a) Tripping over some badly stacked skis or poles; (b) Knocking someone's boots off their precarious perch and onto your head; (c) Barking your shins on an errant snowboard; or (c) Not being able to find your own skiing/snowboarding equipment in the big mess that currently exists in the Ski Equipment Storage Hut.

**You have now been given more than 2-months notice.** A **Work Party** (on Matroosberg) has been scheduled for the weekend of **Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th February 2012**. The major task will be to empty all equipment out of the Ski Equipment Hut and to:

1. Repair (or build new) Boot storage racks.
2. Separate all unmarked Ski/Snowboard equipment and store this elsewhere!
3. Ensure that no Ski Club Member has more than 2 pairs of boots and/or 2 pairs of Skis stored in the Hut.
4. Replace all 'legal' (i.e. clearly marked with a Members name) equipment back into the Hut in an orderly fashion.

Please do know that your Committee is

aware that some Members appear to have well in excess of 2 pairs of Boots and/or 2 pairs of Skis ... and there is no reason (and no excuse) for this!

**The reason for the scheduled Work Party is to get some semblance of order back into the Ski Equipment Hut.**

So ... if you do NOT attend this Work Party (and if any of your Skiing and/or Snowboarding equipment does not meet the required parameters (i.e. not clearly marked with your name and/or in excess of the '2 pairs maximum' ruling) ... then don't complain if your equipment is removed from the Ski Equipment Hut (and ends up being stored someplace else).

**You now have ample warning !!!**

## Ski Racing Workshops

Once the winter snows arrive, **AfriSki Race Club** (who ski at the AfriSki Resort, Lesotho) run regular **ski racing training sessions** ... and these sessions are open to all/any skiers from **Snow Sports South Africa** affiliated Ski Clubs.

**Chris Inskip** is now in regular contact with the AfriSki Race Club organising committee.

Chris is currently compiling updated information and he would be delighted to forward this on to any interested Matroosberg skiers.

**Interested? Please contact Chris Inskip (via email) at < [inschris@iburst.co.za](mailto:inschris@iburst.co.za) >.**



Your chance to be trained in ski racing techniques by Alex Heath (SA Olympic and FIS World Cup competitor).

## Pre-owned skiing equipment (skis & boots) for sale

Ron Duff has accumulated quite a bit of pre-owned skiing equipment (both skis and boots) from those wishing to dispose of such. Anyway, Ron's wife (Rose) has now delivered the ultimatum "Clear the garage ... or divorce!". If you're looking for decent quality, used skiing equipment then please urgently contact Ron at email < [ron@duffassoc.com](mailto:ron@duffassoc.com) >.

# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

## Notice Of Meeting

You are cordially invited to attend the  
82nd Annual General Meeting  
of the Ski Club of South Africa  
Date : Wednesday 18th April 2012  
Time : 19h30 for 20h00 start  
Venue : Mountain Club of South Africa  
Address : 97 Hatfield Street, Gardens, Cape Town

## Agenda

Welcome  
Attendance  
Apologies  
Approval of Minutes of previous AGM  
Matters arising from the Minutes of previous AGM  
President's Report  
Honorary Treasurer's Report  
Election of Club Officers for 2012/2013  
Work Party scheduled for 21st & 22nd April 2012  
Any Other Business  
Closure

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Refreshments (snacks & drinks) will be served.  
Entertainment will be provided.



Also see website at : <http://www.skiclubsa.co.za>

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Affiliated to : International Ski Federation

