



Schedule of Private Trips

2006-2007 Season
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Definition of Private Trips vs Scheduled Sierra Club Trips

Private trips are non-Sierra Club activities which are not sponsored or administered by the PCS or the Sierra Club. The Sierra Club has no information about the planning of these activities and makes no representations or warranties about the quality, safety, supervision or management of such activities. The organizers of these trips might not be approved SMS Leaders or even members of the SMS or Sierra Club. These trips are listed here because they may be of interest to SMS members. They are also for trips which do not meet the deadlines for trip announcements in printed media (Schedule, Mugelnoos), which are incompatible with variable snow conditions.

Private trip announcements should be submitted by e-mail to [one](#) or the [other](#) SMS Webmaster.

Private trips are not sponsored or administered by the Sierra Club. There is no insurance coverage for such trips. All participants are equally responsible for their own safety and that of the group. There is no official "Leader". It is an outing among a group of friends. Everyone is expected to know and follow the basic safety standards that are practiced on SMS trips. Be again responsible for your own actions and you'll enjoy the "freedom of the hills".

List the following information:

Trip Date:

Trip Location:

Trip description:

Meeting place:

Contact person initiating the trip and potential participants with e-mails:

Private Trips

Trip Date: Jan 5-7, 2008 Fri - Sun

Trip Location: Mammoth Crest, Blue Couloir, Red Cones, Tamarack crosscountry area, or Sherwins

Trip description: Let's test the new powder on some small ski tours around Mammoth. Average duration: 5 hours, average elevation gain: 800 m (2500 feet). Also good for BC skiing beginners. Stay overnight at hostel outside Mammoth, and let's have a good breakfast at Schat's bakery before starting the tour.

Meeting place: Los Angeles

Contact person initiating the trip: TBD

Trip Date: Jan 12-14 Fri - Sun

Trip Location: Mammoth Crest, Blue Couloir, Red Cones, Tamarack crosscountry area, Sherwins, or June Lake area

Trip description: Let's test the new powder on some small ski tours around Mammoth. Average duration: 5 hours,

average elevation gain: 800 m (2500 feet). (Please consider joining the official SMS trip this same weekend, which I intend to join for the ski touring part. I only put in this ad for those who do not want to buy expensive lift tickets, or would like to do more ski tours. Can also join me for a single day.)

Meeting place: Los Angeles or Mammoth

Contact person initiating the trip: TBD

Trip Date: Jan 19-21 Fri - Sun

Trip Location: Es-Scha Peak (McGee Creek), Mt. McGee, Rock Creek cirque

Trip description: I'm going with a friend and you are welcome to join. Join us for two days of medium-long day tours in the Eastern Sierra. Estimated elevation gain: 1500 m (5000 feet). Peaks indicated are just examples. Climb some high peaks around Little Lakes Valley, and ski out to the car on the snow-covered road in the evening. Probably stay in a budget lodge or motel for two nights.

Meeting place: Los Angeles, CA

Contact person initiating the trip: TBD

Trip Date: Jan 26-28 Fri - Sun

Trip Location: Day tours around Tioga Pass (Gaylor Peak etc.)

Trip description: Let's do some powder skiing around Tioga Pass, starting from the waterfalls behind Lee Vining. These can be done perfectly as day tours with about 1200 m (4000 feet) elevation gain or a little bit more depending on which peaks we climb.

Meeting place: Los Angeles

Contact person initiating the trip: TBD

Trip Date: Feb 2-4 Fri - Sun

Trip Location: Koip Peak, Eastern Sierra (day tour)

Trip description: Let's ski this mountain (if conditions are safe) with a 1500 m (5000 feet !) long descent from the summit on one day. Start before sunrise. We'll surely spot another great ski mountain for the second day.

Meeting place: Los Angeles

Contact person initiating the trip: TBD

Trip Date: Feb-Apr 2007

Trip Location: Mount Shasta volcano trip

Trip description: Let's climb Mount Shasta on a weekend (Fri-Mon) this spring, and ski it one or more times. Let's do the North or East sides rather than the overcrowded gully. At least one more participant needs crevasse rescue skills. Please email me your preferred weekend!

Meeting place: Los Angeles, CA

Contact person initiating the trip: TBD

Trip Date: Apr 6-8 Fri-Sun

Trip Location: Yearly Buttermilk ski basecamp

Trip description: Let's do medium long day tours (3000-5000 feet) in corn snow, and let's do a campfire in the evening (still allowed at this time of year!). "California skiing"...

Meeting place: Los Angeles, CA

Contact person initiating the trip: TBD

Trip Date: April 9-11, 2007

Trip Location: [Pear Lake Hut](#)

Trip description: We have reservations in April for 3 nights. April 9,10 and 11. The rub is that that is a Monday,

Tuesday and Wednesday night. We have room for two more people on the nights of April 9th and 10th and one more person on the night of April 11th. We will drive up Sunday April 8th to Three Rivers and get the permit so we are ready to go in Monday morning. We have Bill Kells and his friend Lisette with us Mon and Tue but can take two more those days. If anyone is interested they can contact me or Greg.

Meeting place: Monday morning, April 9th, [Wolverton](#) (or to be arranged)

Contact person initiating the trip: Louisa Bonnie & Greg Scarich; please contact Louisa or Greg at mtbike4@verizon.net or LouisaGreg@Knobby.ws.

Trip Date: Late April to May 2007

Trip Location: Crater Crest (11,394') and Horse Canyon Day Tours

Trip description: Fairly avy safe ski climbs and descents of these two tours about the Sierra Sawtooth Range. Plenty of gain and easier skiing. Camp near Bridgeport with meals in town. Possible hot springs, too.

Meeting place: Meet Bridgeport, CA, at 6 a.m., for breakfast

Contact person initiating the trip: Pete Yamagata (pyamagata@lanset.com)

Trip Date: May 2007

Trip Location: Matterhorn Peak and more

Trip description: One day ski ascent of this SPS Emblem peak. 5,100' gain over 5 miles one way. Class 2 scrambling near the summit. Possible ski ascent of Dunderberg Peak (12,374') on the next day. Hot springs nearby. See past trip reports: [Matterhorn](#) and [Sawtooth Ridge](#).

Meeting place: Meet Bridgeport, CA, at 6 a.m., for breakfast

Contact person initiating the trip: Pete Yamagata (pyamagata@lanset.com)

Trip Date: May 2007

Trip Location: Ski Mountaineers Peak (13,323')

Trip description: One day ski ascent of this fabulously skiable peak out of South Lake. Ski right from the summit, with steep slopes for the enabled. See past trip reports: [Matterhorn](#) and [SMS Peak Revisited](#).

Meeting place: Meet in Bishop, CA, at 6 a.m., for breakfast.

Contact person initiating the trip: Pete Yamagata (pyamagata@lanset.com)

Please contact Pete Yamagata at <1000pks@lanset.com> for signing up and more details. Exact dates are negotiable. No avy beacons necessary, avy cord and shovels advised. Please visit the [THOUSAND PEAKS](#) website for more information and accounts of other ascents.

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