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Of Interest

Barry Schfield is serving his country in Bosnia. Listed below is Barry's e-mail address. If you have some time drop Barry an e-mail. He would really like hearing from all his FLSC friends.
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For Sale

Ladies Used Golf Clubs: Biggest Big Bertha Driver 12°, Palm Springs Tour Series mid-size clubs, graphite shafts. Irons, 3 through sand wedge; driver, 3,5,7 woods, \$125.00 Call: Kathie at 856-489-5170 or e-mail: kathieread@comcast.net

By Nina Hodoruk

With a quite abbreviated late trip to one of FLSC's favorite yearly destinations, the 28 of us who were quick enough to put our \$\$\$ down while there were still spots available on the late Snowbird trip were lucky, indeed. Snowbird and Alta received record snowfall this year providing us "Late-Birds" with exceptional spring skiing conditions. No unsightly (and depressing!) brown spots insidiously peeking through on these trails! No Sir-EEE! Too bad we couldn't accommodate the hordes of skiers who wanted to come too late. But to those of you who may still doubt conditions in Utah in April warrant a trip out... That's OK. Stay put. We'll be happy to go in your place while you clean out your garage or mulch your tulips.

No Fall Line trip would be complete without our prerequisite Plane Rowdies. Your dozing trip leader was semi-snoozing somewhere in the front of the plane so she didn't see it but it sure sounded like Joe Durkin and a cache of lovely ladies tucked cozily into some row back there telling some pretty good jokes. But, also true to tradition, before you could even say "Coors Light" the pilot was coming over the PA system with the expected warning about the "unexpected turbulence coming up" (*Do they really think they're fooling us?*) So everyone had to pipe down and buckle up.

This was a trip of reunions, too. Fellow Fall Liner Fred Belcher came out on his own and skied with the club. Likewise SueBabe Aiken who showed up one morning at the de rigueur Goldminer's Daughter breakfast. Old Timer Fall Liner, Phil Trice resurfaced in Snowbird (as a

local) to ski with Bob Nuss & Co. Relatively new Fall Liner Fred Gelfant bumped into some old friends from Toronto at a Mid Gad lunch. Old scofflaw non-member Fall Liner Jim Gatch made peace, joined and had a reunion of sorts with the new, improved Jim Gatch: official Fall Line member. (*We're glad to have you, Jim*) I saw some other familiar faces on the plane out, former Fall Liners too, on their way out to Bozeman to get back to their new (ski) home, Big Sky. And several Philadelphia Landskaters were spotted on the hills as well. Go on, pick your cliché: Great minds think alike or It's a small world...

After the obligatory stop at the 7-11 en route for some Polygamy Porter (*I kid you not!*) nothing was going to stop us now. Not pneumonia (*How're ya feeling, Don?*) not an illegal-type thirst, not even a confused bus driver who really wanted to take us to Solitude. "*Gee Whiz Gordon, the club hasn't wanted to go there in years!*" Thanks to all the eagle eyes who got us back on course quickly.

Friday was one of those p-e-r-f-e-c-t, sunny, bluebird spring skiing events. Lotsa sunscreen required. If it weren't so perfect, it would have almost been too warm. Saturday was somewhat cooler, so we finally zipped up our jackets. Bob Nuss was seen leading a pack of about 20 skiers... Wait a minute! Wasn't that the entire Fall Line group? While treating his own group to some of his slick moves on Ballroom, John "Flyboy" Carolan changed tacks and decided to have a yard sale instead.

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Jim's Message

The Spring Fling was a resounding success thanks to Patty Shearer so we're off to a great start for the new club year. The music was just right and the lines at the bar were very reasonable. Ted thanked last year's board for their dedicated service and I had the privilege of welcoming the new board. Only two of last year's board members, Siobhan Michaud and Kathy Walgate are retiring. At least that's what they think, but we know better. Kathy will continue as a Winter Trip Committee member and they both have promised that I can call them for advice during the year.

Since last month's president's message, the members of the club have elected a new set of officers which are as follows: President Elect, Lou Cullen; Treasurer Elect, Sara Walls; New Board Members, Janice Lynch, Kathie Read and Patty Shearer; Approved Appointed Positions, Mike Gilbert, Keith Howell and Wayne Schofield. Patty Shearer has stepped down as Board Secretary and Nona Luce has been appointed to fill the one-year vacancy. Wayne Schofield will be this year's Winter Trip Chairman and Patty Shearer will continue as Summer Chair Chick.

The winter and summer trip committees are already hard at work. I'm especially encouraged by all the great ideas from everyone at our first board meeting.

I can't give you all the details yet since we haven't completed our discussions or voted on many of the proposed ideas but I can tell you some of what was discussed.

We talked about ways to make our general club meetings more interesting. There was concern that many of our members only come to a meeting to sign up for a trip and then they leave. In the past we have had a greeting committee and a 50/50 drawing. We plan to reinstate these activities as well as look for other ways to improve the meetings. We will be asking some non-board members to join these committees. And I believe that everyone of you can join in to greet new members. If you see someone you don't recognize perhaps you could ask them if they need help or introduce them to someone.

With the approval of the new board I have appointed Mike Gilbert to chair a new board committee. For lack of a better name I'll call it the Activities Review Committee. This committee will be looking at everything we do as a club and will make recommendations to the full board as to how we might make improvements. Retention of new members will be high on our list of priorities. Please see Mike for your suggestions or thoughts.

Jim

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Member Information

Fall Line Ski Club membership begins May 1 and ends April 30. Membership applications for renewals and new membership are accepted any time in the year. The membership fee is \$20 until September 6 and \$25 afterwards.

Members have the privilege of attending all Fall Line Ski Club activities during the summer season as well as next ski season. Membership applications may be obtained at any General Meeting, on the penultimate page of most newsletters, at the web site at www.FallLine.org or through the mail by contacting:

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The membership application should be completed in a legible manner to ensure the proper forwarding of all club correspondence. Any member not receiving the newsletter should stop at the membership table during a General Meeting.

Changes in address or phone numbers should be reported as soon as possible so that you may remain informed of all Fall Line events and activities.

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Hike, Kayak or Watch a Rodeo - Paul's Summer Activities

By Paul Serdiuk

Leader: Paul Serdiuk at 856-697-3870 in the evening or pis1@cccnj.net

Sunday, June 9, 8:30 a.m. - Hike Wissahickon Gorge

Eight miles moderate pace over hills. Bring picnic type food to share at tailgate social after hike. Meet in rear parking lot Hilton Hotel, on Rte. 70 Cherry Hill to carpool/caravan. Or meet at 9:30 a.m. at Valley Green parking lot in park. With OCSJ. (Outdoor Club of South Jersey) (No charge)

Visit a bit of outdoor heaven in Philadelphia. Yes, there is a wilderness area in Philadelphia with rolling hills, streams and wildlife (animal type that is). Hike various terrains from hills to flat roads. The Wissahickon is beautiful in late spring with all the various trees and foliage in full bloom. Hiking boots are required since there is rocky terrain and muddy spots in some places that we hike.

Saturday, June 15, 7:30 p.m. - Cowntown Rodeo, Woodstown, NJ

Come out and enjoy some southern-style entertainment without passing the Mason-Dixon Line. There will be bareback riding, calf-roping, steer-wrestling, team roping, and bull-riding. And female riders get into the action also with girl's barrel racing, roping and reeling. After the dusty activities we will mosey on down the road to a local watering hole to wash down some of the trail dust. Show starts at 7:30 p.m., we will meet at the rear parking lot of the Hilton Hotel, Rte. 70, Cherry Hill to carpool/caravan down to Woodstown or meet by the entrance gate there at 7:25 p.m. Cost will be \$12.00 per person.

Friday, July 26, 6:30 p.m.-Midnight - Singles Moonlight Kayak Trip

Paddling experience required. Limited space, call leader to reserve space. No children. Meet at Bel Haven Canoe Rentals, on Rte. 543, 12 miles east of Hammonton, Atlantic County. Bring flashlight and whistle. With OCSJ. Cost is \$27.00 per person.

Paddle the Mullica River under a full moon. The power boats and jet skis are all put away for the evening, all that you hear is the sound of your paddle dipping into the water as you propel your kayak through the water. Occasionally seeing a Great Heron taking flight or a jumping fish in the water. You are rewarded for all your effort when the moon gently rises above the horizon and lights the river and evening sky with its soft golden glow. Some paddling experience is necessary. No alcohol is allowed on the rivers while operating a watercraft. Optional dinner at Sweetwater Casino after the paddle.

Friday, August 10, 7:30 p.m. - Singles Hike and Meteor Shower

Five-six miles moderate pace. Bring snack type food to share at tailgate social after hike, blanket or chair to sit on. No pets or children. Meet in field behind Atsion Office on Rte. 206, between Red Lion Circle and Hammonton, Burlington County. With OCSJ. (No charge)

Take a hike! On this warm summer's night through the Pine Barrens and then enjoy a solar light display! The Perseid Meteor shower is a solar system spectacular spectacle! Watch meteors blaze into balls of burning light as they enter the Earth's atmosphere and give off their brilliant light show. In the past few years there has been an average of about 5-6 meteors per minute. Bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit in the open field to watch. Bring snack type food to share with others as we watch the show. No alcoholic beverages please since it is a state park area.

Saturday, August 24, 7:30 p.m. - Moonlight Hike

Seven miles, moderate pace. Hike dirt roads lit by moonlight in the Pines. Bring swim wear for dip after hike. Bring snack type food to share at tailgate social after hike. No pets or children. Meet at Lake Oswego parking lot on Lake Oswego Road. Off Rte. 563, 8 miles South of Chadsworth, Burlington County. With OCSJ. (No charge) No alcohol since it is a state park.

Do something abnormal! Hike in the woods at night! Hike the Pine Barrens under the light of a full moon. Not to worry you won't get lost and you won't need a flashlight to see. The moonlight will be brilliant as it reflects off the white sand roads and lights up the night, walking is easy since we hike on old grave-stone flat roads. Bring a picnic type food to share at a tailgate social after the hike. Also bring a swim suit as we will take a dip in the lake to cool down after the hike. Since this is a state park, alcohol is not permitted.

Did Somebody Say Meetings?

General Meetings are held the first and third Tuesday of each month at the Garden Room of The Day's Inn, Route 73 and Fellowship Road, Mt. Laurel, NJ. Meetings are from 8:00 until 10:30 PM for trip sign-ups, announcements, information and socializing. Please bring a friend, for newcomers are always welcome.

Board Meetings are held the second and fourth Tuesday each month. Members are welcome to attend. Meeting locations rotate amongst board members' houses, so ask any board member for the next meeting location.

Winter Trip Committee Meetings are conducted by Wayne Schofield, board member and Winter Trip Chairman, and occur monthly. Please call Wayne (856-931-2173) if you are interested in attending or participating.

Summer Trip Committee Meetings are conducted by Patty Shearer, board member and Summer Trip Chairman, and occur monthly. Please call Patty (856-778-4657) if you are interested in attending or participating.

Snowbird II

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Later on Saturday evening, a bunch of us amigas y amigos met at the Keyhole for some mediocre food and excellent company. No one stayed too late though, most probably in anticipation of “springing forward” and getting to ski one hour earlier on Sunday. But... *Zounds!!!* When Sunday morning ski time came, the snow was still pretty crunchy (read: hard like a rock). Nearly everyone met at Mid Gad (a little early) that day, for cheeseburgers al fresco. What a group! With such a late start on Sunday, we found we still had lots of juice when it came time for the lifts to close.... *Ah Rats!* And there would still be good daylight until about 7:30pm now, but those Liftees were GONE on the button at closing time. I guess by April, they're kinda burnt out. Oh well, we still have one more day. And what a day it was! Monday was our coldest day yet, with several people being fooled by the forecast. We started out with Siberian tundra conditions “*Hey, is that an extra gaiter in your pocket? Can I borrow it?*” After eating all of the hot food available in Alf's for lunch, we finished out the day, and for many of us the season, with more beautiful blue skies, comfy temps and perfect hero snow everywhere. Presto Change-o! It was a different world outside after lunch. Which just goes to show you, you can never stop for lunch too early. We were all appropriately jazzed at the traditional Monday night wine & cheese party at the Lodge. With such a small, select group, I think everyone actually got some wine and cheese this time. Except for an even smaller, conspicuously absent contingent consisting of Craig Dombrosky, Ken Gower, Doug Magowan, etc., who opted for a private hot tub instead...*Good Move, Fellas!* It was probably the only time during our whole stay at the lodge that the hot tub was not filled to beyond capacity, largely with screaming children and some very popular guy named “*MAR-CO! PO-LO!!!!*”

Speaking of popular, Dianne Carolan was voted “Most Popular Ski Woman” by her very own stud farm. Jan Griswold was quite popular herself, when after waiting a tactful amount of time for the Official Wine & Cheese Pianist to leave, she took

over and impressed us all with her expert ivory tickling. Also impressive was the way the tram operator at Snowbird jumped to retrieve Fred Gelfant's dropped pole while we all waited for the first tram, the first day at Snowbird. More impressive still, was how Harry Gould lost his specs in the snow only to have them magically returned to him at the Wildcat chair lift, and how his helmet would still be in the middle of the parking lot at Goldminer's Daughter if it weren't for that helpful shuttle driver. (*Anybody seen Dumb and Dumber?*) Hey, not only were these operators integral in our holding onto our gear this trip, they were giving those shuttle rides away for free now. Unlike those big meanies in December. What a bonanza! I love this place!

Short Cuts:

Ok, ok, but can someone *please* explain what that guy with the bad dye job was doing in the hot tub with that soggy newspaper?... Was it just a prop so he didn't have to talk to anyone?... Fortunately for all of us, Chris “Safety First” Nast was kindly getting all the people imbibing in the hot tub to switch to plastic containers... Lorraine Peters wins the Last Ahi Tuna Award, anyone who has been to the yummy Shallow Shaft for dinner needs no further explanation... Diehards Jan Griswold, Lorraine Peters and Tom Kerr got a half day in before we all left on Tuesday... Sandy Gould found a fantastic ski instructor and was passing Harry on the slopes in no time... Fashion mavens Loretta Meier and Ginny Shoultz boosted the local economy and showed up at the party in their new zebra inspired threads... Jim Gatch had 3+ yard sales on Monday... *Are you trying to get rid of your old equipment, Jim? And weren't you cold in that T-shirt, or are you really an amphibian?*... Bob Nuss and Lowe Parrish traded off carrying each others skis and poles all week, Isn't that sweet?... Doug Magowan sarcastically exclaimed “*Oh Great!!!*” upon learning that the lift at Alta was actually open until 4:30pm... Fall Liner Fran Harrelson would have been here skiing with her ski friends, if she wasn't catering Fall Liner Barb Vergagni's wedding reception... Joe Durkin claimed sole responsibility for Thomas Eakins entire body of work... “*What?!!*”... Loretta Meier, an innocent victim of server incompetence, poured red wine all

over Lorraine's sushi to get even... Lucky Jan Griswold will soon be retiring thanks to the generous tip she received from Bob Nuss for playing piano at the party... Pool hustlers Doris Vaccaro and Jim Gatch wrestled the pool table away from the Brits and thus, Fall Line takes over again... Sensitivity training for Fred Belcher? Apparently Fred got into a heated exchange with some Russians who were speaking only their native tongue on the radios... After a relatively painless flight and our baggage coming out extremely quickly, we all nearly lost our ski vacation highs even before leaving the airport, as we waited in interminable lines in the rain for the parking shuttle vans and felt those good ski vibes dissipate into the rainy air while apparently only two shuttle vans serviced the entire airport. But let's not end on a sour note. In the words of expert boarder Matt Suchadolski, seen one morning at lobby coffee time, “*I'm burnt, I'm sore, I'm not sleeping at all, but I'm not complaining!*” Yeah, it was great, wasn't it?

Silver Picture Frames for Sale

In case you missed Spring Fling this year, the gift to attendees was a beautiful Silver Frame holding a 4”x6” picture. The frame is engraved with “Fall Line Ski Club, Spring Fling 2002.” We have some frames left over and are going to sell them at the Club Meetings for only \$5.00 (a lot less than the Club actually paid for the frames). If you're interested in purchasing one, you can pick one up at your next Club Meeting or just contact Patty Shearer at 856-778-4657 or pattys76@hotmail.com

Summer Trip Meeting

Please be advised that the next Summer Trip Committee Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 26 at 8:00 p.m. at Patty Shearer's house. Please call Patty at 856-778-4657 if you plan to attend.

Breckenridge, Summit County, Colorado

By JT Smith

Twenty-four very anxious FLSC members were huddling around the gate at Philly Airport, waiting to board a flight to Denver on Saturday (03/16/02). Everyone arrived on-time with no real security or luggage hassles to report. After boarding with everyone settled in, we became aware of other FLSC members swapping out seats to be next to their partners.

Arriving in Denver everyone gathered at the luggage carousel to retrieve their bags, and skis from the upright coffin carousel. *Kinda cool this carousel ... don't you think?* The bus wait was uneventful apart from being amused by Connie, who desperately tried to maneuver her cart overloaded with 2-sets of luggage and skis across the roadway. After loading the bus we quickly departed, speeding off to our first stop at the famous 'Applejacks'. What I hear from fellow skiers "it's a long standing tradition" for many of FLSC members over the years.

The check-in process at Pine Ridge Condominiums went smooth except for a room mix-up, and a set of card readers that did not work for one unit. However everyone still managed to relax and freshin' up before the wine and cheese party early that evening. Thanks to the plans arranged by Wayne Schofield, we had plenty of munchies, drinks, and great conversation(s) with old and new members alike. Later that same evening (8) members headed out for an outstanding dinner at the famed 'Bubba Gump'.

Early Sunday morning with temperatures in the mid-20's, we kicked off our 1st day of skiing at Breckenridge. A large contingent met at the bus stop just outside our condo, for a very short ride uphill to the ski lifts. Our group consisted of six skiers (Bob M, David L, Jim G, John V, Lisa H, and JT) who immediately headed out for some warm-up runs. The snow was superb with packed and soft power in abundance. It took no time at all to seek out the best trails and bowls for skiing. This is what we come to expect when your mountain guide is David L the 'Map Meister'. *Would it be possible for us to top*

our 1st day of skiing?

On Monday, the 2nd day many of the skiers opted to tackle different mountain resorts. Some decided to stay at Breckenridge, while others took off for Beaver Creek and Keystone. Once again the weather and conditions were a ditto of yesterday, sunny blue skies with temperatures in high-20's. Later I canvassed skiers for stories of that ski day, and it became apparent that a superb day was had by all. One story perhaps worth repeating is a beer bet between Jim G and JT. Apparently on the last and very late run of the day, Jim G doubted JT's ability to lead our troops back to the main base lodge. Perhaps what Jim didn't realize is that JT studied those trail maps intensely the night before, under the tutelage of the Map Guru himself. *Yea, those beers went down pretty smoothly ... thanks Jim!!*

On Tuesday, the 3rd day of skiing our whole group bused over to Vail. The bus trip took over an hour to reach our final destination. However I didn't hear any complaints from anybody, just big smiles with great anticipation of skiing that day. I don't believe anyone could have asked for a more splendid of a day ... the snow gods and mother nature were smiling upon us from above. Some skiers hooked up with John Steel and Wayne Schofield to ski and discover the mountains of Vail. Others such as myself took off for the higher ground in the great back bowls. Vail is so vast offering a variety of different terrain, bowls, chutes, cliff jumps, groomed trails, moguls, or trees. The only thing holding you back from a day of awesome skiing is yourself, or the fear that comes when you start pushing your limitations.

On Wednesday, the 4th day of skiing many skiers made their way over to Copper Mountain. Although, not included in the ski package they still could not resist the temptation. I had learned later from skiers that the skiing was great, but not outstanding like the previous three days. Apparently, the weather started to warm up into the high-40's making for some tricky skiing conditions. Other

members like Lisa and JT took the day off for some rest, relaxation, and shopping. Great bargains could be found in both Breckenridge and Frisco.

Now that we have been in Summit County for 4-days already, many individuals took on nicknames for a variety of reasons. So I'll just put them out there for you to ponder over. Here is a sampling: John V became Johnny Raccoon, Marge G became Ms. Rudolph, Jeanette L became a half breed with an altitude problem, Mr. Jim G became a bonehead, Mike/Charlie/Karen/Mike/Rusty became the Phantom-4, Linda became Girl-Friday, and finally JT became a MP (I've been asked not to explain any of these nicknames).

On Thursday, the 5th day of skiing, once again the skiers scattered to different mountains. The trend in weather since Tuesday has been getting warmer each day. So again it made the skiing somewhat tricky but still challenging by many skiers standards. Thursday was Lisa's milestone Birthday. So later that night a group of nine went out to another great dinner ... thanks to Jeanett for all her help!!

On Friday, the 6th day it was technically our last day for skiing. Many skiers decided to ski Breckenridge, staying close to home in case they wanted to knock off early for shopping and/or sightseeing. The snow conditions on the mountains had deteriorated somewhat. Due to three consecutive days of warm weather with no new snowfall. However the die hard skiers that FLSC are well known for finishing out the trip in style. Later that evening we had a 'pot luck party' consisting of everybody's leftovers, including a few pizza pies thrown-in.

Early Saturday morning we packed the bus and headed back to Denver for our flight home. Arriving home in Philly we all huddled around the luggage carousel to retrieve bags and to say our good-byes. I would like to thank everyone for an incredible trip, and I look forward to exchanging pictures in the near future.

Fall Line Kayaking Adventures/Happy Hour

By John Fanelly

Join Fall Liners for the 2nd Annual Egg Harbor Kayak & Happy Hour on Saturday, August 17, 2002. Last year we had a fabulous turnout, the weather was beautiful and a good time was had by all! This will be a day filled with fun, friends, food and sport as we meander down the cool waters of the Great Egg River in Weymouth, New Jersey (9 miles west of the Hamilton Mall). The best day in nature awaits you. It's clean, relaxing and refreshing waters are surrounded by some of the most beautiful scenery in South Jersey. See deer, ducks, turtles, fish

and more. The Great Egg Harbor River begins in a suburban town and meanders for 59 miles, draining 304 square miles of pristine wetlands in the heart of New Jersey's Pinelands Reserve on the way to the Atlantic Ocean.

Our group will meet at Palace Pizza & Outfitters, where we will be shuttled upriver to our point of departure. You can choose to kayak (single and double kayaks available) or canoe. We will float down a narrow, tree-lined river with water depths ranging from 1 to 6 feet. This is a beginner to intermediate, non-whitewater

trip, and a great opportunity for first-time kayakers to get their feet wet (no pun intended). Our journey down river should take about 3 hours (*a three hour tour... a three hour tour*). We will rendezvous after our adventure back at Palace Outfitters for food, fun and refreshments (and, of course, beer, in true Fall Line tradition).

The cost is \$35 per person and includes kayak or canoe, shuttle, food, nonalcoholic beverages, beer, and volleyball. Space is limited. Sign-ups begin June 18, 2002. Please contact John Fanelly (610-668-9024) for additional information.

BEST OF AWARDS 2002 WINNERS	
Category	Winner
Best Skier – Male	Bill McCoy
Best Skier – Female	Tammy McCoy
Most Improved Skier – Male	Dave Lummis
Most Improved Skier – Female	Laura Ebenreiter
Best Bar Fly – Male	Dennis Halterman
Best Bar Fly – Female	Patty Shearer
Best Buns – Male	Tony Ricco
Best Buns – Female	Sofia Dobkin
Noticeable Newcomer – Male	Don Kajoika
Noticeable Newcomer – Female	Sally Ramirez
Best Dressed – Male	John Fanelly
Best Dressed – Female	Janet Godfrey
Best Trip Leader – Week Trip	Snowbird II – Nina Hodoruk
Best Trip Leader – Weekend Trip	Killington II – Mike Wirtshafter
Best Humorous Fall	Siobhan Michaud
Good Samaritan	Pamela Small

ECO Challenge FAQs

1. So what is an ECO Challenge anyway?

Answer: ECO Challenge is the world's premier Expedition Race attracting the best adventure athletes from around the world. It is held in a remote region of the world each year. The first international ECO was held in 1995 in Utah. ECO Challenge 2002 is in Fiji. It's a team event spanning several days of 24- hour endurance and extreme challenges. Go to the home of the original ECO at <http://www.ecochallenge.com/news.html> for finer details.

2. What is FLSC's ECO Challenge?

Answer: South Jersey's premier Expedition Race attracting Fall Line's adventurer wannabees. It is NOT held in a remote region of the world each year. The first FLSC ECO Challenge was held in 2000 in the Jersey Pine Barrens. Last year it was in Medford. It IS a team event. It spans ONE day of 6 hour effort and less extreme challenges.

3. Who entered last year?

Answer: Read JULY's Newsletter for a full recap of last year's challenge, team names and participants, events, successes and failures, pain and pleasure, scoreboard, winners and runners-up.

4. What will it entail this year?

Answer: Biking, rock hiking & hoping, and bouldering.

5. Why?

Answer: Because it's a gas! Over half of the inaugural ECO participants entered again last year. And each ECO has seen more competitors than the previous.

6. How?

Answer: Assemble your 4 person team and sign up. If you can't get 3 other people – no problemo - we'll help you organize a team from amongst all of our competitors.

Want more information? Come to one of the next four meetings and talk in person to the creator of FLSC's ECO Challenge, and take home a CD with all the fine details, or, contact

**Mike Stavola at
mstavola@csc.com
609-654-1825**

ECO Challenge

Great Falls - Saturday - July 20th

Venue Location & Tentative Details

Washington DC's beautiful Rock Creek Park in and around the National Zoo, ... along the historical Potomac River, ... and within the spectacular Great Falls National Park and C&O Canal National Historic Park.

DEPART Barclay Farms parking lot at 7:30 am

ARRIVE at Great Falls Tavern (C&O Canal National Historic Park), MD at 10:00 am

Event Starts 10:30 am and Ends at 4:30 pm

Afterwards...

- **We'll then go to a local pub for food, drink, and closing ceremonies...You can be home again in 2½ hours, or, stay the night for Sunday's non-competitive activities**

Equipment Requirements

- **Road, hybrid, or mountain Bike (w/helmet)**
- **Athletic shoes, sneakers, and/or light hiking shoes**
- **Energy food, lunch, water**

Events

- **20 mile bike ride**
- **Billy Goat Trail rock hike & hop**
- **Bouldering Challenge**

Cost & Optional Accommodations

- **\$20** covers cost of **official FLSC ECO shirts (they're so cool)** and prizes
- **Why not make a weekend out of it by staying overnight at the Holiday Inn Select in Bethesda, MD for only \$79. Two monument bike rides are planned for the next day. One from Alexandria to Georgetown to the White House to the War Memorials to the Jefferson Memorial to the FDR Memorial and back to Alexandria. The other from Alexandria to Mount Vernon and back.**

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NON-Competitors...

are welcome to join us this year at your own pace (maps with short-cuts will be provided). Each of these events can be enjoyed at a leisurely pace providing pleasure without the pain. Come join us. You won't find this kind of adventure in a travel brochure. And who knows, you might even want to participate in ECO 2003 after the experience.

Future Venues

ECO 2003 is yet to be determined, however, ECO USVI in 2004 is already being planned for St. John's in the US Virgin Islands at a **BAR-GAIN PRICE! The only requirements are that you must have been a participant or involved in a support effort for a previous ECO Challenge.**

Fall Line Ski Club

2002 Summer Trip Schedule as of May, 2002

PRICES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

DATE	LOCATION	TRIP LEADER	LODGING	SOME FEATURES	OPENS	PRICE
6/1/02	Water Gap Hike	Paul Serdiuk (856) 697-3870, eve.	N/A	Hike along the Delaware Water Gap	5/7/02	N/A
6/1/02	Medford to Margate Bike	John Kennedy (856) 784-5114 or John Vetter (856) 429-7258 or Pam Bigelow-O'Neill (609) 654-7493	N/A	Leisurely Tour of the New Jersey Back Bar Country	5/7/02	N/A
6/9/02	Wissahickon Gorge Hike	Paul Serdiuk (856) 697-3870, eve.	N/A	8 Mile moderate pace over hills.	OPEN	N/A
6/15/02	Cowtown Rodeo	Paul Serdiuk (856) 697-3870, eve.	N/A	See some Southern-style entertainment	OPEN	\$12.00
6/21-23/02	Halterman Golf Weekend	Sue Babe Aitken (609) 932-2898 – cell (610) 932-7946 - home	Halterman Cabins	Golf Outing Weekend in the Poconos	5/21/02	\$80.00
6/22/02	Moonlight Hike	Paul Serdiuk (856) 697-3870, eve.	N/A	Beginner to Intermediate Hike	5/21/02	N/A
6/30/02	Pine Barren Kayak	Paul Serdiuk (856) 697-3870, eve.	N/A	Kayak Trip	5/21/02	N/A
7/20/02	ECO Challenge Great Falls	Mike Stavola (609) 654-1825	N/A Optional @ add'l cost	Survival Adventure @ the Great Falls of Potomac High Peaks Hike	5/21/02	\$20.00
7/25-28/02	Carter Wildcat Hike	Craig Dombrowsky (856) 728-5324	Huts & Joe Dodge Lodge	(Advanced to Intermediate)	Call Craig	On your own
7/26/02	Moonlight Kayak Trip	Paul Serdiuk (856) 697-3870, eve.	N/A	Paddle the Mullica River with a dinner stop.	6/18/02	\$27.00
8/10/02	Philly Adventure Bike Ride	Mike Stavola (609) 654-1825	N/A	Tunnels, Bridges & Secret Places	7/2/02	FREE
8/10/02	Night Hike & Meteor Shower	Paul Serdiuk (856) 697-3870, eve.	N/A	5-6 miles mod. pace hike & Perseid Meteor Shower	6/18/02	N/A
8/14/02	2 nd Annual Baseball Game	Patty Shearer (856) 778-4657	N/A	Camden Riversharks Game @ 6:35 pm	6/18/02	\$25.00
8/17/02	2 nd Annual Egg Harbor Kayak	John Fanelly (610) 668-9024	N/A	Kayak Trip w/Happy Hour	6/18/02	\$35.00
8/24/02	Moonlight Hike & Dip	Paul Serdiuk (856) 697-3870, eve.	N/A	7 miles mod. Pace hike.	7/2/02	N/A
9/6/02	SNOBALL	Lou Cullen	N/A	Held at the Clarion Hotel, Cherry Hill, NJ	TBA	Tix: \$5 / 5 for \$20
9/7/02	Maloney's Bike Ride	Mike Gramsammer (856) 810-1196	N/A	Bike Ride in Atlantic City	TBA	TBA
9/11-15/02	Carrigan Hike	Craig Dombrowsky (856) 728-5324	TBA	High Peaks Hike (Advanced to Intermediate)	Call Craig	TBA
9/14-15/02	PA Renaissance Faire	Mike Gramsammer (856) 810-1196	TBA	Pirate Festival Weekend	TBA	TBA
9/20/02	IMAX Event	OPEN	N/A	"Shackleton's Antarctic Adventure" at the IMAX	TBA	TBA
9/28/02	Great Adventure Theme Park	OPEN	N/A	Day Trip to Six Flags Great Adventure	TBA	TBA
10/4-6/02	Lake Placid Hike	Juan Carro	Northwoods Lake Placid	High Peaks Hike (Advanced to Intermediate)	TBA	TBA
10/11-13/02	Pocono Halterman Wknd	Betty Taylor (856) 783-7567	Halterman Cabins	Fun Weekend in the Poconos	TBA	TBA
10/19/02	Fall Foliage Hike	Mike Gramsammer (856) 810-1196	N/A	Day Hike in PA	TBA	N/A
10/26/02	Haunted Hayride	Patty Shearer (856) 778-4657	N/A	Haunted Happenings Evening	TBA	TBA
11/8/02	Pool Tournament	N/A	Fun Pool Tournament @	Dave & Buster's	TBA	TBA
11/17/02	Tailgate Skate	John Steel (856) 547-3018	N/A	Skate at King's Grant	10/1/02	N/A

Camden Riversharks

Join us for our 2nd Annual Camden Riversharks Game on Wednesday, August 14th at 6:35 p.m. at the Campbell's Field in Camden, NJ. The Camden Riversharks will be playing the Road Warriors team. You can check out their website at www.riversharks.com for additional information.

Located down the third base line and overlooking the playing field, the group picnic area provides a relaxed atmosphere with picnic tables and tasty ballpark fare. Each person receives a ticket to the game and an "all-you-can-eat" buffet that includes boneless BBQ chicken, hamburgers, hot dogs, baked beans, pasta salad, baked cookies, and hot and cold beverages (beer and wine extra). The picnic area offers a perfect social atmosphere to enjoy a ballgame. The cost is only \$24.00 per person.

Please contact Patty Shearer for further information or to reserve your ticket at work (215-409-7967) or at home (856-778-4657). This event will open at the June 18th Club Meeting. **Please reserve your ticket prior to July 16th to ensure your seat at the game.** After July 16th seating is based upon availability.

Halterman Golf Weekend - June 21-23

Inclusions:

- * Accommodations for Friday & Saturday evenings at the Halterman Cabins
- * Round of Golf on Saturday
- * Golf Cart included for Saturday
- * Breakfast Buffet on Saturday
- * Dinner Banquet & Awards on Saturday after Golf
- * Continental Breakfast on Sunday at the cabins
- * Beer, Wine, Soda at cabins on Friday & Saturday night
- * Beer on the course on Saturday

Price: \$80 per person
Opening: May 21, 2002
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