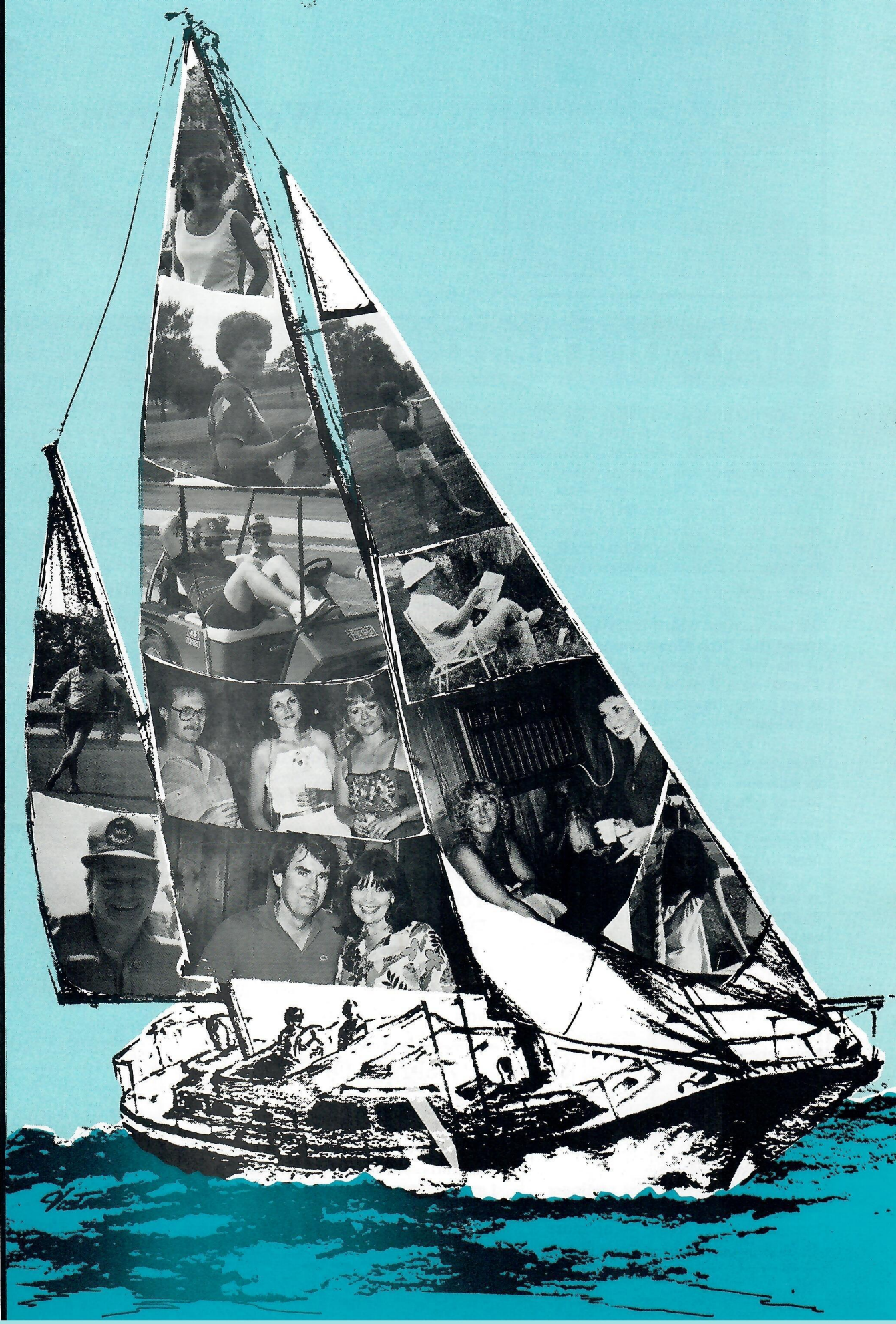
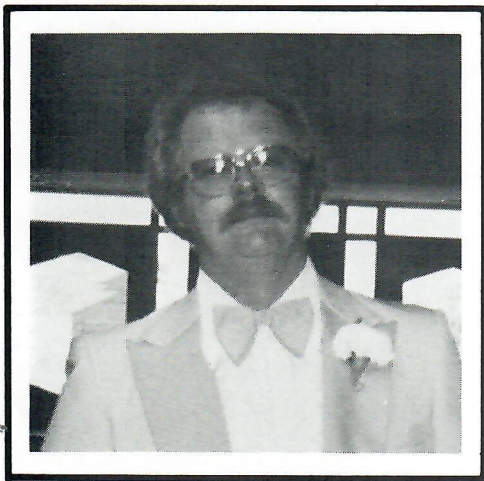


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We're Moving to the "GRAND" in September

HEAD OF THE LIFTLINE

by RON SMITH

As my good friend Bob Marwin once said "Only four months till ski season!" We now have our TC's and ATC's in place and working toward another year of deep powder, bus rides out of Denver and NASTAR races. You should start getting information on trips as **Bill Kirk** gets it together, so read your *Sitzmarke* from cover to cover.

This writer regrets the error of the last column which incorrectly stated that **Dick Howard** was the VP of the Winter Roundup in Steamboat. The ski area is Snowmass and the event is the Traditional Ski Week trip in January.

For the adventuresome, we will have the yearly opportunity to learn to windsurf. Check in the *Sitzmarke* for all details. Just be sure you can swim before trying this sport. **Michelle Lamb** will tell you all you need to know.

The Summer Bash is the 21st and as we have done in the past, if you don't pay ahead of time, you do not eat. Last year we had over 150 and **Ted Bergeron** is hoping for a larger turnout this year. The map is better so no one can claim they got lost.

We have been including membership forms even though we know you have renewed. What we would like for you to do is hold on to the form until you find someone to give it to who would like to join the club. When you hear someone speaking of skiing and they are not in the club, invite them to join.

Last of all, your first reminder — we will not be at Ye Olde English Inn next year — repeat — no more Ye Olde English Inn — we will be at

the Grand as in the Houston Grand on the 610 Loop, just inside the loop. A map will be forthcoming.

Most of your TC's and officers attended "Ski Group '85" to promote goodwill with the ski resorts and to keep the name of SCSC in front of all the resorts. It gives the club an opportunity to work face to face with the ski resorts to produce better trips for you.

The Nominating Committee has been selected for the upcoming season with **Linda McFarland Simpson** a past officer and Chairman. The other three officers that are required are **Pam Pyle, Charla Merrill and Mo Granda**. The three members at large are **Penny Chancey, Mike Boland and Bob Frazier**. They were selected early so that they could observe potential officers.

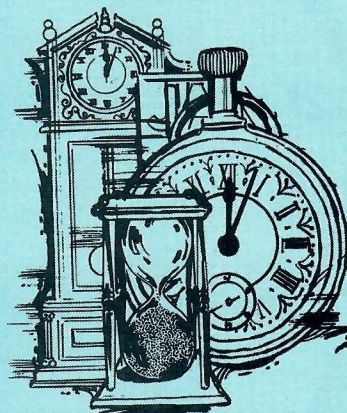
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You need not be an SCSC member to participate in non-ski activities. So, share the upcoming activities with friends, or bring them with you.

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We are interested in worthwhile organizations that we can become involved with to broaden our outlook and become more active in the community. With the right approach anything can be fun! With this in mind, I would appreciate the names of any organizations that you are already involved with or that you feel would be interesting or worth our time. Use the provided form to pass this information on to me or catch me or any officer at the next happy hour. Thanks!

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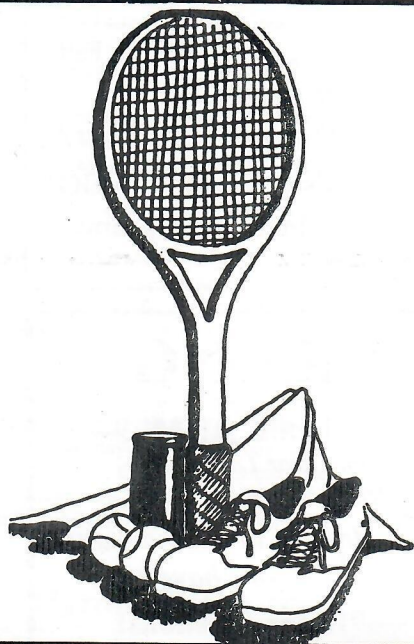
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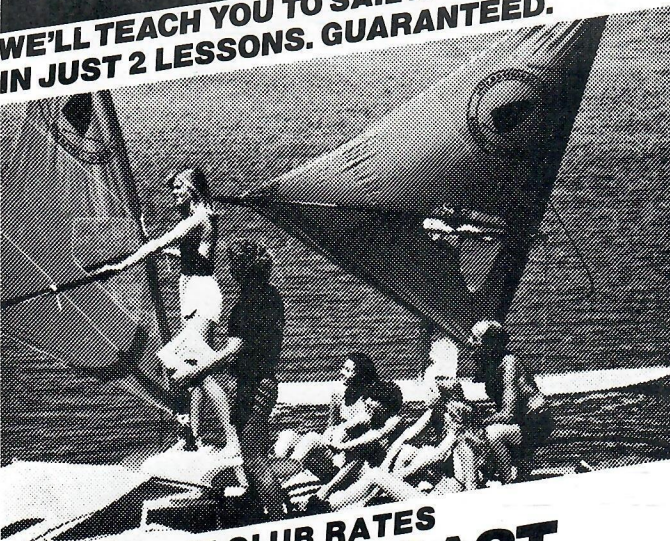
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NON-SKI EVENT CALENDAR

ACTIVITY	POSSIBLE DATES
WINDSURFING.....	July 14
SUMMER BASH.....	July 21
TENNIS TOURNAMENT.....	July 28
DINNER THEATRE.....	August 4
MILLER THEATRE (Blue Grass Festival)...	August 23
BEACH BALL.....	August 23-25
SHRIMP BOIL.....	September 15
CASINO PARTY.....	October 26
WINE COUNTRY SAFARI.....	October
RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL.....	October
MERCER'S CAMPOUT.....	November 1-2
COCKTAIL PARTY.....	December 7
HAPPY HOUR.....	Monthly, 3rd Thursday
ASTROS GAME.....	Summer
RACQUETBALL TOURNAMENT.....	Summer
FUN RUN.....	Fall
JAZZ FESTIVAL.....	Fall

Any Other Great Ideas???

Big Group? Little Group? Any Suggestions?

Call with your ideas and let's get ready and GO!

Jan Livingston, Vice President - Programs

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WINDSURFING

Sunday, July 14 • 11:00 A. M. —

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Mud lake for mud pies and pattie cakes
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See Article Page 12.



NOTE: Time extended to August 20.

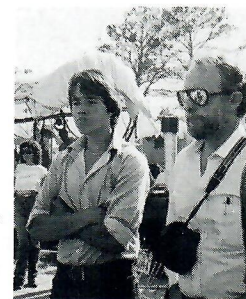
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On Sunday, June 2, 1985, volunteers from Space City Ski Club headed out to Tomball to the Virginia City grounds for the Muscular Dystrophy Assoc. Fund Raiser, on a very hot day of 95°. Our own **Bob Henderson** was there guiding all facets of the Cook-Off, back of the scenes. Volunteers worked at the gate, ticket counters, beer stands, and about the grounds selling ticket donations for food and beer.

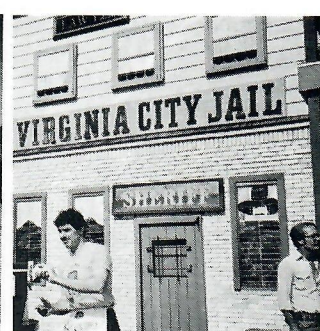
Our own SCSC Team of **Buffalo Snort Cookers** took a seventh place trophy in the cook-off contest. Members of the team included **Tom Mercer, Ron Smith, Glenn Bishop, and Bill Kirk**.

Other SCSC volunteers who put in many hours

included the following:

Jerry Pyle
Toni Roloff
Peggy McLane
Ray Naudain
Howard Paillet
David Walter
Easy Thayer
Dana Wardell
Mike Clark
Layna Adams
Jim Plummer
John Rice

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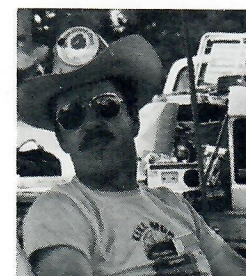
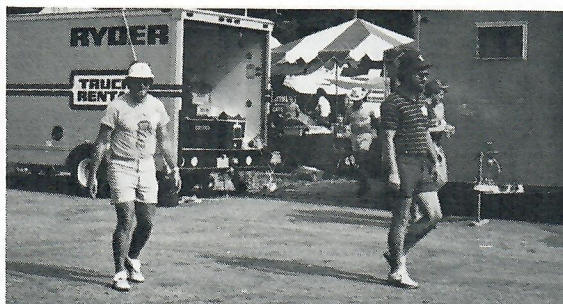
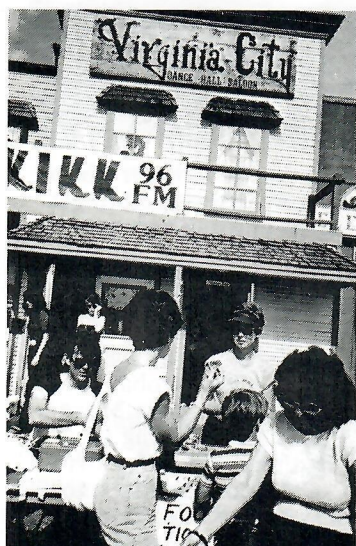


ABOVE: Left to Right: Diana Mills, Terry Cummings and Easy Thayer. Buffalo Snort BBQ Team, Tom Mercer, Glenn Bishop, Bill Kirk and Ron Smith with trophy. Howard Paillet, Bob Henderson, Dave Walters.

LEFT: Ticket Booth with Mike Clark and Sharon Griffin.

RIGHT: Jerry Pyle.

BELOW: Left to Right: John Rice and Mike Gerstenberger. Charlie Craig, Pamela Paillet and son.



My thanks to all of these volunteers and others who have annually given of their time to promote such a worthy cause to help those less fortunate than ourselves.

LAKE TAHOE

MARCH 24-30, 1985

by Brenda Peavy

On the 24th of March, 42 ski enthusiasts arrived in California and started counting the flakes of snow. When we arrived at Harvey's, you could "read" the golf course nearby, but you could also see snow on the mountain tops! We planned our first outing for Monday, during the really excellent welcoming wine and cheese party provided by Harvey's. We had our own bus for our excursion to Kirkwood and our driver kept us well entertained as we "snaked" our way there. Kirkwood, a nice quiet ski area was overrun by SCSC and as seen in the pictures, all enjoyed a happy hour which ran from 2 til 4 because the weather changed to total gray with wind--lifts were barely visible and seemed to disappear into the sky. This was just the beginning of our encounter with weird weather conditions. Yes, as we enjoyed tasty hors d'oeuvres at our own party, little did we know by Tuesday morning a 3-day blizzard was setting in! Four hardy people, interested in getting a headstart on Squaw Valley, set out early on a shuttle to get there and after a lengthy trip arrived at the area to find one other bus and six cars--did I mention no visibility? **Pat Martin, Vic Stahl, Bob Tharpe and Brenda Peavy** for the next eight hours managed to check out the facilities of Squaw and avoid tendonitis of the wrist. Back at Harvey's, all who slept til 8:00 knew not to go out and were visible all over the hotel--the casino, restaurants, lobby, underground tunnel and every buffet known to man. You would have thought we had scouting parties for the various hotels. Groups of 4, 6 and 8 were always eating something some place. This group when satiated would switch with the group left in control at the casino tables or one-arm bandits.

Glass surrounded the casino so one eye could occasionally check for changes in the weather. It was during this blizzard, it was rumored, that **Gar Bering, Barbara Clark, Rick Wilkins, Linda Zelvin and Joyce Brown** went cross country skiing. Of course we don't have pictures as they would have been white-outs anyway! They claimed they had FUN! When it cleared, everyone headed to Heavenly Valley to get the most out of what was left of a three-day lift ticket. Again most pictures show this group near food--perhaps they really were skiing so hard they needed Carbos. We left our mark on those California and Nevada slopes, sorry to say many were pole plants pulling. Yet that



TOP ROW: Left: *Are We Having Fun Sign* .. obviously they are. Right: **Dean Patschke, Mike Fielden, Cindy Garrett, Helene Zanelli, Linda Zelvin, Rick Wilkins, Debbie Huck, Joyce Brown, Dennis Selldin.**



SECOND ROW: Left: **Bob Thorpe, Dean Patschke, Linda Zelvin, Debbie Huck, Robbie Trimble, Landon Patschke, Joyce Brown, Lynn Williams and Dennis Selldin.** Right: **Gar Bering, Brenda Peavy** (begging for more tip money).

LEFT: **Dean Patschke, Roy Davis, James Dickson, Becky Bezdek, Robert Van Orden, Rick Wilkins, Debbie Huck, Helene Zanelli, Marvin Sondock, Robert Tharpe.**

BELOW: Left: *The whole group of 42.* Right: **Helene Zanelli, Robbie Trimble, Dean Patschke, Rick Wilkins, Landon Patschke, Marvin Sondock, Paula Moye.**



Lake viewed at the peaks on the Nevada/California border is breathtaking and you need a wide angle lense to really bring it home.

Texans have trouble with French as evidenced by the puns and fun made of "the restaurant of the day" or was that night? It seems no ten people wanted to eat the same thing at the same time, so as seen in the pictures, they were everywhere eating everything!

We rescheduled our trip to Squaw Valley from Wed. to Sat., our last day, and after overcoming overwhelming odds, everyone was on the mountain by 11:00 a.m. with a crystal blue sky, 50 degree weather and the

search was on for the powder run of the day. We were determined to get the most out of this day and our party at Squaw started at 3:30 but didn't stop (we took our leftovers on the bus) til we returned to Harvey's at 7:00. By that time this group was feeling no pain! The following are comments, rumors and probably out and out lies! Oh well--**Paula Moye** read One Police Plaza during the storm and had nightmares for two nites, then subjected **Don Moye** to the Little River Band concert which turned out to be his nightmare. **Don Moye** trusted his dermatologist who gave him "Complex 15" as a

(cont. on page 10)

In the high Rockies: Exploring where prospectors dreamed

Article written by JIM PLUMMER's father about the rugged mountains in Colorado. Thanks, Jim, for sharing such an exciting article.

Part 2 of two parts —

by BILL PLUMMER, C-T Staff

En route to Telluride, we'd wound through the mountains south and west from Denver, past old railroad depots of the Denver and Rio Grande, past the old railroad roundhouse at Como where they used to put pusher engines on the trains to help them over the mountain toward Leadville. Then over the pass and into the Uncompaghre Valley and up to Telluride.

Old timers still talk of the Liberty Bell, the Smuggler and the Tomboy as the principal mines and they tell you there are 65 miles of track in Smuggler's tunnels, blasted out in the hunt for riches of gold and silver.

Tuesday morning, we were going far up the mountain and over the saddle of Ballard Mountain to the LaJunta, looking for a couple of deserted mines steel-hacked and dynamited into the granite walls by small prospectors.

A switchback trail wide enough for one vehicle led past Bridal Veil Falls where it was blocked by a padlocked gate, cliff on one side, precipice on the other.

Beyond in the uninhabited, an old trail was now only tracks in rocks and dirt and it was up, down, up. There were high centers that called for unloading. Sometimes paths rode ridges alongside steep drops into rocky draws. It was no comfort that Sam, driving with one hand, Mike and Hawley kept leaning over the sides to pick up chunks of quartz and identify fall flowers.

The blooms, they said, were Western Yellow, Rosy and Scarlet Paint Brushes, wild asters, daisies and bristoli. Occasional sightings of columbine excited Mike.

We moved on above the timberline into the tundra.

It had been 40 years since Hawley had been up on this mountain yet he was able to direct the way to where, sure enough, we found one of the two old "Savage" mines (Savage 1 and Savage 2) he'd helped his uncles work. The little bunkhouse still stood, a bare-boards structure just big enough to accommodate three cots, a table and a heating stove — a cut-down 50-gallon oil drum.

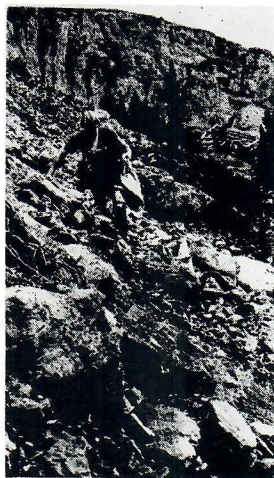
Up the slope was a hole in the rock, the mine entrance, with the tailings of the ore operation below it just as they were when abandoned nearly half a century ago.

Hawley pointed out a permanent snow pack in a crevasse. "That's where we stored our meat and butter to keep it from spoiling."

From there on, it was more difficult to thread a way on higher to reach the saddleback "pass" miles away between peaks around 13,000 feet. There were tests of trial and error. Sam doesn't want to create new tracks in the tundra — "it takes 50 years for them to disappear."

On the near side of the saddle, a rock slide

Tough Going through rock makes foot travel necessary on the slopes of the Ballard and LeJunta. Slides like ones that had cut through here had destroyed sections of the old gold and silver miners' trail and cliffs like those in the background were still ahead.
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had cut away a quarter of where some vehicle had driven before. Everybody is out while rocks are rearranged on the rim of the slope to widen the trail enough for the Jeep.

Over the rim, it was apparent that whatever two-track trail there was before was now all but gone. Further vehicle travel was out. It was now just a footpath through a slope of loose rock on about a 60-degree slant. But Sam is young and an optimist. He wanted to give it a try in the 4-wheel-drive Jeep. He did get part way, looked ahead, gave up, backed the Jeep around at a switchback and attempted to return.

That was it. The wheels on the right side slid off in the loose rock. Every maneuver and every spin of the wheels worsened the angle of the vehicle. Three of us outriggered, hanging onto the Jeep's up-side trying to prevent it and Sam from rolling down the mountain.

We stabilized it as best we could. Sam removed his shirt and started out at a trot to bring help to rescue the Jeep. Hawley, Mike and I started the walk down from around 12,500 feet.

By then we were three hours by Jeep into the journey. It would be eight hours more before we were off the mountain on foot.

We didn't retrace the route we had come but chose rather the far side below the second of the Savage mines. It was said there was a shorter route, a trail that Hawley and other miners had once used. He'd even led pack horses and mules up it.

But 40 years had gone by. Avalanches and rock slides had cut slices out of it. We crossed washes where there was no trail, walked among and on rocks, slid down the least-threatening banks and before we were near the tree line Hawley, who was wearing heavy boots, was having foot trouble and having to rest. "I can't lift my feet over the rocks," he said more than once. "You fellows are faster. You go on. I'll be all right."

"No way," said Mike.

Once we got to the trees, we'd be okay, Mike assured us. The trees were down below

the ruins of the old LaJunta Mine, once a big producer. But just on the other side of the collapsed timbers and boards, a critical section of the trail had been wiped out by a slide. There was not so much as a ledge and we were too far down to go back. Someone had dragged from the mine a 2 by 6 board and shoved it half way into the gap, one end on the old trail, the other worked into uncertain small rock in the cut. A foot beyond, a second board completed the makeshift bridge.

I don't like heights in the first place. Crossing that one, facing in and pressing hands against the rock to keep from tumbling backward down a 500-foot drop, and inching across was scary. Mike had made it across to show it could be done and encouraged the older members of the party. "Don't look down," he said. I had no intention of looking down.

Sometimes there are no alternatives, and panic at this point was considered but was discarded as fatal. We made it.

There were other hairy situations, like rounding corners of a vertical cliff on ledges a foot wide. I thought of sitting these out and staying on the mountain, but, as said before, sometimes you have no options, and there is nothing like survival.

Clouds moved in and took away the sun. Thunder rumbled over the mountains and it began to rain. There was even some hail. But by then we had left the cliffs.

Once into the pine forest, it became a matter of seeming miles of switchbacks, slipping and sliding, crawling over, under and around fallen trees, and keeping track of what remained of the path abandoned since the old mining days. It ran out entirely in underbrush and timber above Bear Creek. We reached Bear Creek, waded it and a dozen yards farther came out on a road in the Uncompaghre National Forest. In minutes night set in. A hoot owl made itself known from the far side of the creek.

Mike, a graduate forester from Long Island who's painting houses right now so he can live in the Colorado mountains, had led us down. "God was looking after us," I remarked to Hawley. "God and Mike," said Hawley.

Besides the sore feet, Hawley had three holes in the seat of his pants from sliding on his rear. We were weary and rain-soaked.

Hawley said he'd had the last of re-living his boyhood.

My conclusion was that mountain climbing is for young people. Or, at least, experts.

SCSC TELLURIDE PAST TRIPS

February 18-25, '84

TC Peb Rock

ATC Suzie Volz

March 1-8, '80

TC Carol Ragan

ATC David Walker

March 14-22, '74

TC Bob Petner

ATC Ann Cornish



1st Place Team, from left to right; Barry Keyser, Virginia DeCamp, Jim Ellis and Terry Kaiser.



2nd Place team, from left to right; Jim Allison, Max Cothran, Gerald Cothran, Ted Bergeron.



The shortest drive by Jean Marsh.



Max and Gerald Cothran listen to Ted Bergeron explaining his great hole-in-one, 15 years ago!

SCSC OPEN

By Jim Woody

Question: *What has 48 heads, 96 legs, 144 balls, drinks beer and has a good time?*

Answer: *SCSC Golf Participants!*

The 48 participants in the Second Annual SCSC Golf Tournament converged on World Houston Golf Course for a day of fun and competition. The weatherman had predicted only a 20% chance of rain for the day but at tee time, it looked like rain was imminent; however, the day proved to be dry and pleasant.

As participants registered, they were given range balls, three golf balls (courtesy of Oshman's), a bag tag and a set of simple instructions on the new layout of the course.

"We will now play #'s 1, 8, 9, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and end on #2."

It's a wonder the last group to tee off was not the first group to finish.

It was noticed by all that a few subtle changes to the course were made since last year's tournament:

- Cart Paths and Control Ropes were added - Congratulations to **Jerry Pyle** on being the Golf Cart Driver of the Year.
- Improved Greens - **Sherry Lewis** can attest to this as she drove the green on hole #9.
- No Daytime Irrigation - **Glenn Bishop** missed this from last year. He was last seen asking the golf pro if they made floating golf balls.
- Improved Sand Traps - **Darrell Lindsay** tested at least 9 of the 10 traps.
- A Full Moon - **Mike Gerstenberger** hung a moon somewhere on the course. **Cynthia Chandler** could probably tell us where.
- Muddy Water - Next year World Houston Golf Club has agreed to use clear water on hole #11 so **Charles Dutton** could retrieve some of his team's 8 water balls.

The beer cart again proved to be a most popular item on the golf course. It's hard to believe the drivers (**Charla Merrel** and **Mariann Perry**) could consume 12 cases of beer, 3 cases of soda pop, 48 bags of chips and 48 sandwiches.

The official standing for the Second Annual SCSC Golf Tournament was as follows:

First Place - with a team score of 62 (10 under par). Each player received a First Place Trophy:

Barry Keyser

Jim Ellis

Terry Kaiser

Virginia DeCamp

Second Place - with a team score of 64 (8 under par). Each player received a Second Place Trophy:

Ted Bergeron

Gerald Cothran

Max Cothran

Jim Allison



Third Place - with a team score of 66 (6 under par):

Dick Lemmon John Rice

Mike Crawford Jeri Rotenberg

Fourth Place - Two teams tied with team scores of 67 (5 under par):

John Schwarz Thomas Snell

Adrian Titman Joe deCompeigne

Jim Woody Charles Naff

Edd Blackwood James Davis

Fifth Place - with a team score of 68 (4 under par):

Lee Barrier Mike Gerstenberger

Ron Noska Jean Marsh

Sixth Place - with a team score of 70 (2 under par):

David Kaufman Sherry Lewis

John Luckenbach Marvin Bellows

Seventh Place - two teams tied with team scores of 72 (even par):

Rick Murphy Cody Cothran

Bobby Roland Bobby Goolsby

Graham Barnes T. J. Lassiter

Carol Barnes Steve Lavoot

Eighth Place - with a team score of 73 (1 over par):

Barry Young Larry Smith

Callie Hudson Cynthia Chandler

Ninth Place - with a team score of 74 (2 over par):

Jerry Pyle Adera Lawson

Darrell Lindsay Glenn Bishop

Tenth Place - with a team score over par:

Martin Matras Carol Dutton

Phyllis Allman Charles Dutton

The winner of the Closest to the Pin and Longest Drive were:

Longest Drive - Terry Kaiser hole #6 with a 300 yard drive to the 473 yard par 5.

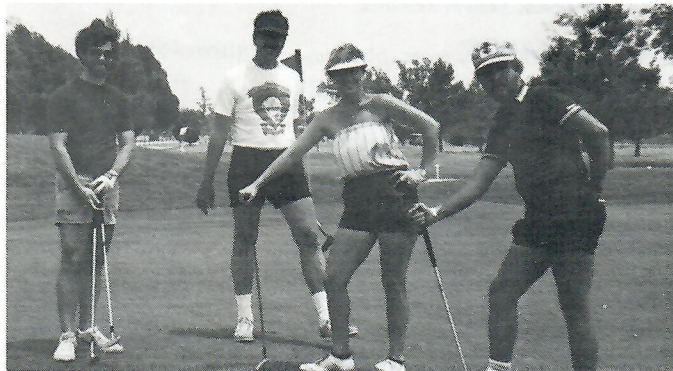
Closest to the Pin - Rick Murphy hole #5 with a shot 3 inches from the pin on the 116 yard par 3.

I would like to thank **Edd Blackwood** (ABD Bail Bonds) for a cash donation and Oshman's Sporting Goods for the Johnny Miller Golf Balls.

A special thanks to **Layna Adams** and **Adera Lawson** for their assistance and picture taking of the SCSC Golf Tournament.



Jim Woody presents Terry Kaiser the trophy for "Longest Drive."



Putting around on the 19th hole, from left to right; Glenn Bishop, Jerry Pyle, Adera Lawson, and Darrell Lindsay.



Everyone assisting Debbie Bergeron with the calculation of the scores.



The final shoot of the SCSC Golf Tournament.



Rick Wilkins, Linda Zelvin, Helene Zanelli, Brenda Peavy, Bill Peavy, Barbara Godwin, Melvin Sondock.



Debbie Huck, Landon Patschke, Joyce Brown, Vic Stahl, Helene Zanelli, Robbie Trimble, Calvin Doody, Linda Zelvin, Andrew Fitzpatrick, Lynn Williams and Rick Wilkins.

LAKE TAHOE (cont. from page 6)

sunscreen when, in fact, it's only moisturizer and now he has a soft fried face. Ski tips were offered through Zanelli's ski school. Her class of five were **Debbie Huck**, Linda Zelvin, Rick Wilkins, **Robbie Trimble**, and **Lynn Williams**. Rick found conventional skiing too dull, so perfected his 360's, 720's downhill backwards--only problem is mounting the chairlift--this kink to be worked out next season. So much for "Texas" form!

Debbie Huck entertained our bus and all of Squaw Valley with her

"Are We Having Fun Yet?" sign. Several lift workers tried to buy the sign right off her back and she skied all day hearing people screaming out yes!

Dean Patschke and **Dennis Selldin** liked to gamble all night and ski all day--sleep, what's sleep? **Roy D. Davis** did you gamble all the time? A surprise birthday party sponsored by Debbie Huck was held for **Landon Patschke** in the Greyhound Bus aisle on our return trip and **Dennis Selldin** was bartender and the menu was cake, and more cake. Linda Zelvin

competed with the hotel in the service department. She made wakeup calls, banged on doors, assisted with showers and shaves--she's reconsidering the service--tipping was poor. **Willie Tyler & Lester**, famous ventriloquist, worked with Rick Wilkins on stage. Rick now has an offer to be a stand-in-dummy; sometimes he sits.

A dinner show starring **Crystal Gayle** was attended by practically the whole group and dinner passwords were ducks, stars and jelly beans. You had to be there. Is it a common problem among cross-country skiers, or just **Gar Bering**, to not be able to accurately judge distance? **Gar** assured everyone rental skis were available within walking distance (3 blocks)--was it only a mile and a half! **Pat Martin** must be commended on successfully suppressing her natural desire to run down every kid who raced past her while descending the mogul slopes. Could she have caught those little demons anyway? Last but not least, **Mike Fielden** took a spill on the mountain and is thankful for no broken bones but **Pat Martin**, **Rick Wilkins** and even his other half, **Cindy Garrett**, say his bib will never be the same--really drafty from front to back!

Only one casualty--**Harry** (that's **Brenda's** fur coat) must have gone back to the high country, after all he was a coyote!



Is that you Bill Peavy ... is this a planned rest stop?

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News from the Ski Desk

by Bill Kirk

UPDATE — SKI SEASON 1985-'86

The month of May and June have been busy months for me. This year we tried a different approach on selecting the Assistant Trip Coordinators. A get-acquainted party was given on May 29, all the Trip Coordinators were there and got to meet all the volunteers for ATC face to face. All the TC's got their first or second choice. Ann Batten and Harold Eaton were approved as Director of Trips. The Trip Coordinators and Assistant Coordinators will be busy booking lodging, ground transportation and the many other arrangements necessary to run a good trip. Believe me, they do put in some time and effort on planning your trips.

I will briefly highlight the areas we will be skiing in 1985-86 ski season. It may help the new members and 1st and 2nd year members to decide where to ski.

• **KEYSTONE** (Fall Roundup) (Thanksgiving Nov. 27 - Dec. 1) **Short trip**, only miss two days of work. Three mountain areas to ski - snow making equipment at Keystone. All levels of skiing beginner to advanced.

• **STEAMBOAT** (Christmas) (Dec. 28 - Jan. 4) School break-for teachers. Great mountain for skiing - other activities such as snowmobiling, sleigh rides - outdoor HOT mineral springs.

• **SNOWMASS** (Texas Ski Week) (Jan. 11 - Jan. 18) (2 long trips + 1 **short**, only miss two days) Snowmass mountain has 90+ runs Beginner-Intermediate Heaven and expert. Ski 3 other great areas: Aspen, Buttermilk and Highland.

• **ASPEN TRADITIONAL** (Jan. 11 - Jan. 18) Lodging in Aspen. Ski the areas mentioned above. Enjoy the night life in Aspen.

• **PARK CITY** (Jan. 25 - Feb. 1) One time mining, boomtown that is the center to three major ski resorts: Park City, Deer Valley, and Park West. Powder skiing at its best.

• **PURGATORY** (Feb. 5 - Feb. 9) **Short trip**. Only miss two days of work. Located near the town of Durango, Colorado - an old gold and silver mining town. Everybody can enjoy the mountain, intermediate slopes which twist

and turn down the backside of the mountain, breathtaking pitches for the more advanced. **Separate** beginner area for the novice.

• **CRESTED BUTTE** (Winter Shootout) (Feb. 15 - Feb. 22) The mountain is about three miles from the old town of Crested Butte and can be visited via free shuttle from the base of the ski slopes of the modern village of Mt. Crested Butte. The mountain has the quality, quantity and diversity to please everyone.

• **BANFF** (Feb. 22 - March 1) Wrong timing for Austria? Try Canada. It is beautiful! Ski the 3 areas Lake Louise, Sunshine and Mt. Norquay in the heart of the Canadian Rockies. The areas offer beginner to expert skiing.

• **AUSTRIA CHALLENGE** (March 1 - March 8) Badgastein. The trip to Badgastein, Austria will be a great opportunity to visit Europe at a very reasonable price. Badgastein is an Alpine resort dating back to the 15th century where the Europeans have skied for years. The heavy snowfalls on 8,000 foot mountains with 53 lifts servicing 150 miles of groomed slopes to keep the downhill skiers happy. After a full day of skiing, stop by one of the Sundecked Huts where you can indulge in beer, wine, and sausages. Later, after enjoying the sauna and solarium, a great dinner at your

hotel, visit the elegant casino or visit a disco.

General Information. Required to have a U. S. Passport. If you plan on going, **START NOW.** You will need an original Birth Certificate (they return it to you). It is required 30 days before the trip departs.

Deposit on the trip will be \$300.00 and cancellation on or less than 30 days prior to departure \$100.00, Transfer \$35.00.

Further details - watch for Trip Coordinators article in August.

• **JACKSON HOLE** (March 8 - March 15) The ski area is located in the Northwest corner of Wyoming and the Grand Teton National Park and Yellowstone National Park. Jackson Hole is renown for its abundance of deep dry powder, offering skiing terrain for everybody. Possible snowmobile trips into the surrounding National Parks.

• **BRECKENRIDGE** (Easter Break March 22 - March 29) Family trip children 5 years or older - Space City Ski Club member + children. The area offers great beginner slopes for the little ones and more advanced areas for the young hot doggers. Great opportunity to take your child skiing. A **FIRST** for our club, so we will try to make it a good one.

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1985-'86 Directors of Trips (DOTS)

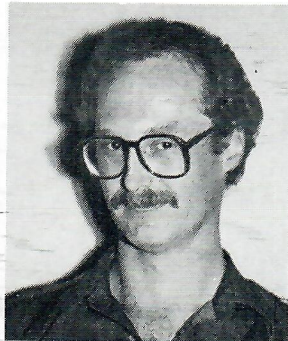
Harold Eaton

The first time Harold put on a set of skis at the age of 12, he buckled one leather strap over a set of snow boots and thought the idea was to see how long he could stand up as he skied straight down a 30-foot hill towards a corn field. He bought his first set of used but "real" skis and boots in 1970 for \$40. Once he learned that turning was used to control your direction, he set out to ski the world, starting with a \$35 season ticket at Deer Mountain in the Black Hills of South Dakota. He's been working on it ever since.

It took him six months to find a ski club after moving to Houston in '79, but was stymied by the 1400 membership limit that year.

Harold has been both ATC and TC in addition to participating in various other trips and activities. He has been involved in the follies several years in addition to organizing a Skate Escape and the Liftliners for 1984-85.

He claims that signing up for SCSC and **participating** is nature's way of saying you're interested in creating a good time for yourself and others. He says that he is committed to assisting this year's TC's and ATC's as a Director of Trips in providing members with the opportunity to have an outstanding ski season in 1985-86.



Ann Batten

Ann is a native Texan and proud of it. She was introduced to SCSC in 1981 by friends. She tried for several years to join, but membership was full.

Ann began her first year by taking a group to "Sugar Babies" and participating in the Follies. The next year she ran a trip to the Renaissance Festival, followed by a trip to the Breaux Bridge Crawfish Festival. The highlight of her participation was

being TC on the Banff Canada ski trip. "The people on my trip were tremendous and made volunteering worthwhile."

Ann, a Junior High speech and theatre arts teacher in Spring Branch ISD for 11 years, has many interests. At Mercer's Campout, you'll see her catching the big one or falling in with them. She enjoys crabbing, cooking, theatre, and her single's group at church. As a Board of Director for TUTS, she co-chaired the Gala Auction last year. Ann sponsors a mime troupe and spends one week each summer as a trip director for 42 seventh graders on a tour around Texas. She loves people.

"As a Director of Trips, my goal is to work with Bill Kirk and Harold Eaton to provide the necessary support and information to the TC's and ATCs and provide trips at the lowest cost for members. I am looking forward to working with the membership this year."



HOW DO YOU STAY IN SHAPE FOR SKIING?

A Few SCSCers Enjoy the Breeze and Water With Windsurfing!!

by Michelle Lamb (with a little help from her friend)

Whether you call it windsurfing, sailboarding, or boardsailing, it is the most exciting and challenging sport you can attempt, since learning how to snow ski, and for much the same reasons. It's a combination of balance, agility, and endurance, you against the elements. Do you remember the first time you made it down the beginner slope without falling? You get the same thrill when you finally stand on the board, pull the sail up, and take off--without falling. After learning the initial techniques, there is always room for advancement either with stiffer winds, bigger waves, racing, or even freestyle (trick sailing). Just as with skiing, seldom does anyone ever master the sport.

Although windsurfing is popular almost year around in the Houston area, beginners should wait for the most desirable conditions. It is usually warm enough in April, but often too windy until summer. Winds 5-10 mph are best for learning, 10-20 for intermediates, and hardcores like George Hirasaki, rarely make an appearance unless it's blowing over 20.

Reading the "how to" book is always helpful in learning, even if you are a proficient sailor like **Anne Bertolet** or **Stan Kuper**. A couple of sessions of "in the water" instruction is the first step. Veteran boardsailors **Ray Naudain**, **John Cook**, and **George Hirasaki** have offered their expertise and equipment for the past two summers when SCSC sponsored windsurfing parties at Seabrook Sailing Club (thanks to George). This year's get-together is July 14; see ad this issue.

According to **Merlyn Harger**, who has been windsurfing for 2 seasons, "persistence" is the key for learning this sport. **Jean Marshall** and **Linda Licarione**--keep hanging in there! **Melissa** and **Bob Frazier**--twice a year is not enough to learn! Some people choose to own boards prior to learning. **Robert Scott**--what are you waiting for?

If you are a little hesitant about the initial investment for purchasing equipment, you might try the "**Fred Kahrs**" method. He keeps promising to buy one, but can't decide which kind until he tries them all. This method has also worked well for **Ray Davis**, **Dana Wardell**, **Billie Nowak**, and **Leona Schroeder**.

Or you could just drop by Mud Lake on Nasa One in Clear Lake City, most any Saturday afternoon, like **Rhonda Ross**, **Tania Andrasko**, or **Peb Rock** have been known to do. Here you will find **Easy Thayer**, **Ray Naudain**, **Merlyn Harger** and **Michelle Lamb** sipping the suds, soaking in sun, and sailing the surf. Rental boards and instructors are usually available there on weekends all summer.

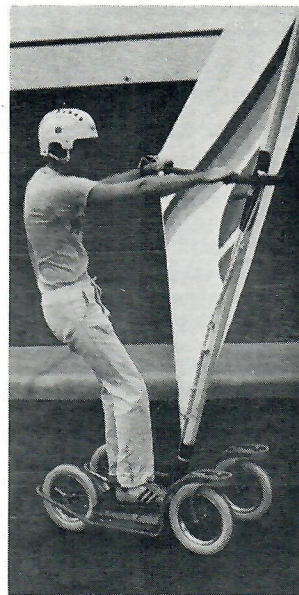
Besides the relatively smooth water, the fact that the opposite shore is not too far away (in case you need to be rescued), makes

Mudd Lake the ideal place for the beginner. Once you get moderately proficient, which means--getting back to shore on your own (the same day), you might want to play with the "big boys," like **Mark Erb** or **Greg Thompson** at the Texas City dike. There you can enjoy the added dimension of waves from the passing oil tankers.

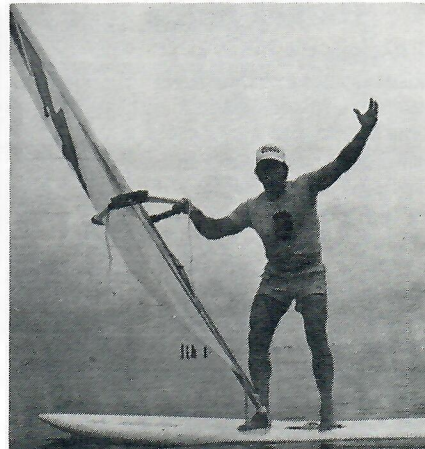
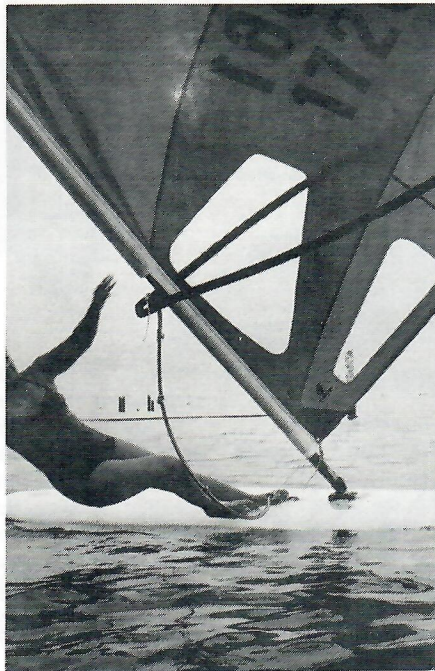
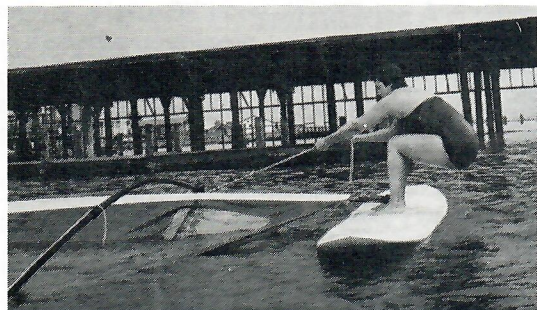
The long season and accessibility to water, have contributed to the rapid growth in popularity of windsurfing among SCSC skiers. It's a great way to stay in shape for skiing, and better yet, a wonderful way to tolerate the summer heat. If you get hot--fall in the water. If you get tired--fall in the water. If you get thirsty--fall in the water. If you show off--fall in the water. If you try windsurfing--well, you get the picture.



Michelle Lamb on Galveston Bay.



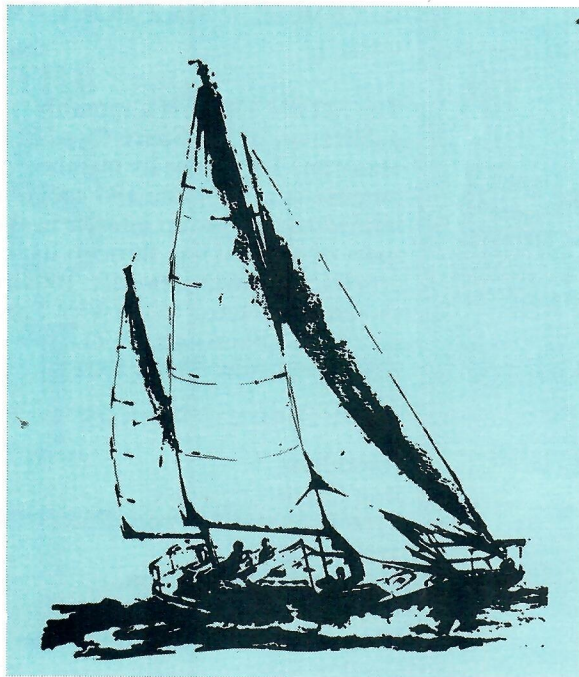
Ray Naudain for the best use of "Grass Skis."



UPPER LEFT: Dana Wardell shows the "Ups" of Board Sailing. BOTTOM LEFT: George Hirasaki does it with the Big Boys in Hawaii.

CENTER: The "Downs" of Board Sailing by Dana Wardell.

RIGHT: "Look Ma - one hand!" John Cook.



IT'S A DATE!

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JULY

- 8 No General Meeting
- 14 Wind Surfing - Mud Lake
- 14 Executive Meeting
- 15-16 TC, ATC Trip Budget Review
- 18 Happy Hour - Gray Cafe - 607 W. Gray
- 21 Summer Bash
- 28 Tennis Tournament - Fondren Tennis Center

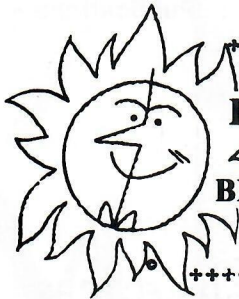
AUGUST

- 4 Windmill Dinner Theatre - They're Playing Our Song
- 15 Happy Hour - Huaraches
- 22 "GRAND" - Walk Through
- 23 Miller Theatre - Blue Grass Festival
- 23-25 Beach Ball - Sea Isle, Galveston
- 23-25 Texas Ski Council Meeting - Dallas
- 25 Executive Meeting

SEPTEMBER

- 15 Shrimp Boil - San Jo Cove

NO GENERAL MEETING — JULY, AUGUST



FUN IN THE SUN!

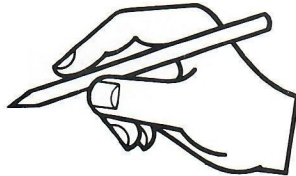
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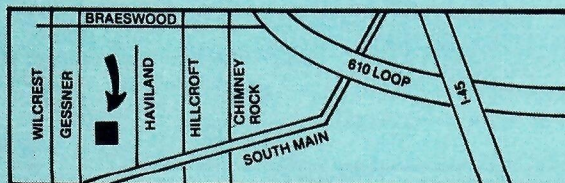
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