THE BIRD MAN OF MOUNT NORQUAY

Flying high above the slopes of Mount Norquay in Banff National Park Willi Muller of Calgary hamps onto his flimsy glider for dear life. The photograph was taken by Bruno Engler, who didn't say where he was when he took the picture. Glider flying, which was developed in last century, died as a sport until some Californians revived it about a year ago. Since then the sport has literally taken off. Some glider experts have managed to keep their craft aloft for five minutes.
THE OUTDOORSMAN
by Larry R. Johnston
Canada: The World’s Park

In Niagara Falls, you can find people from just about everywhere in the world. Not just because it’s one of the seven natural wonders of the world, but because it’s part of Canada. A natural part.

Next year, according to Peter Lesaux, assistant director of our national parks, there may be as many as 25,000 Japanese skiers visiting Banff. People from other crowded European countries will also visit here along with people from the U.S. who will charge across our border along the millions. Why? Because we have something other countries are losing. We have unscarred landscapes, fresh clean air and pure, clear water just to mention a few — which I, as a Canadian, usually take for granted and therefore fail to appreciate the way many visitors do.

These “tourists” who visit our country will not necessitate the replanting of our forests, the construction of power dams or the building of houses throughout the beautifully empty countryside. On the contrary. They come to see our natural environment, not destroy it. And when they come, they spend millions.

Competing for land today are many forms of industry including hydro, petroleum, mining, timber and recreation interests. Add to this the need for housing required by our own offspring and new immigrants and you may understand the problem of shrinking land market.

PSC race Saturday
The Petroleum Ski Club will stage its annual “Fun Race” Saturday afternoon at Lake Louise.
The event, open to both men and women, is scheduled for 1 p.m. at the Larch slope. Approximately 25 athletes will be included in the race which will feature novelty units.

Bruce Hamstead, past president of the club and chairman of the race committee, expects about 20 entrants. Competitors who wish to enter are asked to register at race headquarters at the top of the Maple Avenue.

Presentation of prizes will be made Sunday at a club meeting to be held in the Banff Recreation Centre starting at 11 a.m.

Are you leggy?
By MIKE DEIBERT
Albertan Ski Editor
What makes a man, at the age of 45, take up flying kites?
Pressure, that’s all.
No, no... You don’t understand. He doesn’t pull them be hind on a piece of string. He’s flying them. He knows how.

He don’t a pair of skis, work himself into a seat made of aircraft aluminum tubing attached to the kite, and swoops down the Eagle Flight run at Lake Louise ski area and gets airborne.

Usually at this point he heads for Whiteman’s day lodge, makes it a turn over the heads of the skiers there, then heads for the ladies’ downhill follows to his Olympic chair?

Now maybe it’s why Les Gold of Lake Louise。“His kite is pretty handy a going through the trees with the top of the trees are bright to the top of the tree.” He gets the smile out of it as he is making a fast downward whose legs will... (Continued)

Aerials featured at
cairns... (Continued)
About 300 skiers from Canada and the United States are expected to go twisting, twirling, and generally cavorting wire and Miss through the air at Lake Louise Ski area on March 25. The annual prairie sweep will be held in conjunction with the Lake Louise winter carnival.

The contest will take place close to the Whiteman’s day lodge as that spectators can get the best view right from the balcony. The lodge is accessible even to non-skiers as it is in the middle of the park.

The Curling rink, located in the center of the hotel, may come from your better portable...
Crazy hill day

Louise to Stage

New lift for Norquay

Skiers Approve Project

Here are the courses for the Bank of Montreal International held at Mt. Norquay, Banff, Alberta. The races were run while this issue was at our printers. Full story with pictures is planned for the March edition of Ski Trails.

A number of skiing families of Dryden went off to Banff for a skiing vacation in the mountains. Other Dryden families went south to see Disney World in Florida.
Skiing

By WOLF BORMANN

Let's continue spring skiing in the Rockies with a trip to the Lake Louise area.

Lake Louise can be reached by following the Jasper - Banff highway from either end, and the Temple and Whitehorn area is the setting for the Rockies' largest ski area.

Three mountain faces are turned into one gigantic winter recreation area. Meals are available in three day lodges and for an unforgettable winter holiday stay at Mount Temple chalet.

Complete ski week packages are available commencing on Sunday evening to Friday or Saturday, including all meals, accommodation, ski lessons, and taxi service.

Barry don, Ken Lee, Hank Stefanik, Marilyn French, Keith Trussell, Kay Davies

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ON THE COVER: 'Happiness is a Yamaha She' was the bumper sticker last year. I think the smile on Wendy's face proves the point.

NEXT ISSUE: We wander up the Garibaldi Highway and take a look at what may still become an Olympic Mountain. A complete review of the Bank of Montreal International ski race and if we can get material in time we will present the Revelstoke tournament of Champions.
LONG WAY DOWN — One skier finds a way to beat the crowded slopes of Mount Norquay in Banff National Park by ski flying which was introduced about a year ago. The unresolved mystery is where was Bruno Engler when he took the picture. — (CP Wirephoto)
Local patrol

Because of the increased participation of skiing in the city areas, the Canadian Ski Patrol System Banff Zone is now in the stages of organizing a core of patrollers for the local city ski developments.

In the past, these areas have been patrolled by rotating all C.R.P.S. members from the mountain areas. The executive of the Banff Zone feels that it is wise to rotate these areas and that the time has come that these areas need a solid core of interested skiers who would be willing to attend first aid classes and ski patrol training and become registered members of the Ski Patrol.

Any person interested must realize that patrolling has its benefits and rewards, but along with it comes the hardships, such as skiing in cold weather, the long hours and sometimes poor conditions.

For further information phone of write Keith Heikens at 274-2660 after 6 p.m.; 7129 Hunserville Road N.W. on the Ski Council office 368-4114 during the day.
old medal in juv

Willi Muller of Calgary finds a way to Norway in Banff National Park by air a year ago. The unexplained mystery took the pilot.

April GS attracts about 200 racers

Reto Barrington
Jim Hunter

Approximately 200 racers are expected to compete this weekend in the annual April GS giant slalom events to be held at Lake Louise. The races are sponsored by the Alberta division of the Canadian Ski Association. It is the final sanctioned event of the ski season.

Race chairman, Joe Ryan, reports 136 entries have been received from the 104 ski teams that entered. The entries are from the western U.S., Canada, and Europe. The top racers will be awarded the top trophies and prizes.

Four days of racing will be held on a course described as one of the most scenic in the world. The course offers a variety of terrain and conditions, providing a challenging test for the competitors.

The races will be held on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, with the finals on Sunday. The races will be open to the public, and spectators are encouraged to attend.

The weather forecast is favorable, with clear skies and mild temperatures expected throughout the weekend. The conditions are ideal for skiing and racing.
Skiing Honeymoon In Banff
Follows Recent Nuptial Vows

A one-week honeymoon skiing in Banff, Alberta, was spent by Christine Anne Minnie and Roger John Kowalchuk, following their nuptial ceremony, at 4 p.m. Saturday, March 12, Rev. M. Martyn Davis heard their nuptial vows in St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church, Miss Myra Carniato, maid of honor, accompanied by Miss Laura Toleen, pianist, provided folk music for the wedding mass.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Maze, 206 Memorial Ave. Thunder Bay North. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kowalchuk, 199 W. Victoria Ave. Thunder Bay South.

Given in marriage by her father, their bride wore a formal gown of French velvet velour with an imported wool and French lace hooded. Her long fitted sleeves were fashioned in the same French lace, repeated as a hemline accent to her Aline dress. In her hair she wore white, silk flowers highlighted by miniature irises, and carried an arm bouquet of red roses.

Jasper, Alta. — Jayne Woodcock of Toronto, 14, won a gold medal Saturday for her strong showing in the downhill giant slalom and slalom events of the Canadian junior ski championships.

Along with Phil Mood of Hazel in 1.27.26 in the two runs, while Miss Woodcock was sixth behind winner Loni Kletti who was timed in 1.47.2.

Rob Safranski of Toronto won the silver medal in the boys combined and Bob Knight of Prince George, B.C. took the gold.

Two Toronto girls, Karen Kingsmill and Susan Atlott, were second and third respectively in the girls' combined.

The SKI SCENE
By JOHN GORMAN

At a rough estimate Mike Wiegele skis about 6,000 miles a year, and he revels in every mile of it. And this has been going on for about 25 years — ever since he was a boy back in the Austrian Alps.

The regular ski season doesn’t give him enough. When the lifts close down he takes off on an expedition either touring or by helicopter and searches out new slopes in high places.

It happens to be his way of life and he gets his greatest joy out of spreading the gospel. Only with Mike, its by way of example — on skis. Why talk when you can be flying down the jill?

He is at this moment trying to organize a trip for some of his junior racers into Austria and Switzerland this summer.

“I think they should get to know the Europeans, learn a little of the language — it will help them when they make the national team and go into international competition,” says Mike.

That is the way the guy thinks. It’s not “if” they make the national team, it’s “when.”

Seven years ago Mike took on the assignment of ski school director at Lake Louise. When he first started teaching there, the area was either by gondola or by ski lift.
Barrington wins close slalom battle

Barrington, a member of the Canadian National ski team, won the giant slalom, men's class A, in a time of 1:45.5. This was an extremely close race with the top three contenders being within 0.5 seconds of each other.

Saturday and Sunday saw 335 skiers compete in the April giant slalom, although it had been expected that 200 would participate. This was the last scheduled event on the Alberta racing calendar.

All Alberta ski clubs were represented in the race. There were 112 entries in the C and D classes held Saturday, and 121 entries in the A and B held Sunday.

Joe Irwin, race chairman, reported that the race was a huge success and that co-operation from Village Lake Lodge was again first-class.

Results:

CLASS A


CLASS B


The SKI SCENE

By JOHN GORMAN

Cliff White is a man who knows whereof he speaks when the subject turns to business or skiing. His roots go back a long time in the development of skiing in the Banff area despite his relative youth.

Cliff got talking the other day about the developing trend toward ski touring or cross country skiing and allowed as how his Sunshine Village terrain, once discovered, will become a popular jumping off place for cross country skiers who may choose to wander off into the wilds.

Nobody can dispute his visionary eye for picking up a trend. He bought Sunshine Village when it was a log lodge with one short platter pull, and nobody else would touch it with a 10-foot ski pole.

Was it luck or good management that the first decade of his ownership through the sixties, saw Sunshine develop as Canada's premier ski resort with several million dollars in expansion in facilities...

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Barrington win

Barrington wins

Reto Barrington, member of the Canadian National Ski Team, won the April Giant Slalom, Men's Class 'A' in a time of 1:45.67. This was an extremely close race with the top 3 competitors being within 0.23 seconds of each other.

Saturday and Sunday saw 326 skiers compete in the April Giant Slalom although it had been decided that 200 would participate. This was the last scheduled event on the Alberta racing calendar.

All Alberta ski clubs were represented in the races. There were 215 entries in the 'C' and 'D' classes last Saturday, and 125 entries in the 'A' and 'B' held Sunday.

Joe Irwin, race chairman, reported that the races were a huge success and that cooperation from Village Lake Louise was again first class. Course conditions on the Eagle Flight course ran on which the races were held were...

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You might as well

By Christina Tree

Globe Staff

If you're about to rush an April ski vacation without guaranteed snow and sun, Sunshine Village may be your answer.

At Sunshine you ski off the Continental Divide and high in the Canadian Rockies.

In the town of Banff, 15 miles away, skiers joke about Sunshine's name. During December, January and February snowbowl gets the region's sn...

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Ski doodles

By Gary Cooper

The post-Kosher slump has hit all ski areas. So much so that Eden's Silver Summit Alpine Village has closed for the season.

Silver Summit operated last weekend to only about 25 skiers, and although snow conditions have been ideal, proprietor Rick Damm has decided to close it down.

"We had a road problem again this year," explains Damm. "The road has been passable, but rough, and skiers were afraid of getting stuck."

Damm said the road problem occurred following a heavy rain in the first of March, and it seriously affected attendance since then.

On the basis of January and February attendance, we figure the road condition cost us at least $10,000 in revenue," says Damm, who is hoping for a government loan to correct the road problem this summer.

Silver Summit had been enjoying its best season, with good snow, temperature and weather conditions.

"For the first time, Silver Summit certainly paid its own way," says Damm. "We paid up everything, but have nothing left in the bank."

Incidentally, Summit area manager Gary Brookway is hiking up with a broken leg.

No, he didn't break his leg skiing, but rather on a snowmobile two weekends ago while driving a tourism photographs around the area.

Marmot Basin information manager Dick Elks reports that skier attendance at the Jasper resort last weekend was down to about 1,200 following the Good Friday record day of nearly 2,000 on the slopes.

Marmot has received two or three inches of fresh snow over the week, and skiing conditions are excellent. Temperatures have been reaching 20 degrees, but skiers have been overcast on the weekend and earlier this week.

Lake Louise Ski School director Mike Wieglee for the second spring season is arranging a helicopter ski week tour into.

Your long cruise should be

...
Second year in a row

Yost wins once again

MT. NORQUAY — Karl Yost, for the second straight year, skied his way to victory in the annual Veteran's race sponsored by Feltz's of Calgary. The assistant director of the Sunshine Ski School, races the course on Mt. Norquay under changing weather conditions and blowing snow. Conditions ranged from deep snow to try as the early morning snow was kicked out, as the race wore on. Yost had to beat the best efforts of George Gobe, of the Norquay Ski School who placed second, and Johnny Price of the Voyager Ski Club.

Carole Herron, wife of Mt. Norquay operator Bill Herron, won the women's under 25 section. Mrs. Herron has always been the strongest of competitors on her home course. Must her previous racing experience.

Ski tracks

by RALPH BAGLEY

All good things must come to an end, they say, and so it is with the 1971-72 ski season. There was skiing in Manitoba right up to last weekend, but it's all over now and we can put the boards away for about seven months and drag out the old golf clubs.

Mount Agassiz had the honor of being the last ski resort in the area in operation and there was good skiing at the Riding Mountain golf course. In fact, 133 skiers took part in the final Molstar event of the season on Sunday.

However, by the end of the day Sunday, the tow line was getting a little rough and the warmer weather of the past week hasn't done anything to improve things. We had no official word from Agassiz this week, but it is assumed the resort is now closed, because we've heard.

CROSS COUNTRY PARADISE. Martin Holloway captured this panoramic view of the terrain about five miles south of Sunshine Village near Gcashel Pass. The altitude where Mrs. Holloway is shown in the foreground.

Article scored as discredit to cross-country skiers

Editor, The Herald—
John O'Callaghan's April 13 column The Ski Scene entitled, "A Clic White sees the day when cross-country skiers will discover Scandinavia," is a discredit to the cross-country skiers of this city. The article implies that cross-country skiers of Scandenavia, that they are seeking commercial facilities such as packed lanes and the hiring of guides and equipment, that cross-country skiers in Sunniva, that they are using unsafe equipment. All these points Mr. White raised are untrue.

proof is that we find not one word explaining why an increasing number prefer cross-country to downhill skiing, in many cases to the complete abandonment of downhill skiing. The reason for the preference is the desire to ski to enjoy the mountains in winter, and that the equipment of cross-country skiing costs only a fraction of what downhill skiing does. Mr. White alleges that "lightweight, wooden cross-country skis are dangerous because there is always the danger they will break." A person several miles from civilization, in 25 feet of soft snow is in real trouble if his equipment breaks. I have seen cross-country skis break, and I have broken one myself, and never have we ever had problems completing the ski tour; never have I ever heard of problems occurring. The answer to a broken ski is simply: take it with a new ski. The answer is a metal ski tip, weighing only a few ounces, that slips over the broken ski tip.

BRIAN CRUMMERY.
Skiing in the Springtime

Michigan’s ski season ended this weekend, but the high slopes of the Canadian Rockies will offer good skiing for at least another full month. Here is a report from columnist Susie Schuss, just back from a trip there.

Mountain views from along the Trans Can Highway near Jasper.

For many, skiing is the favorite winter sport for when it’s springtime in the Rockies. Two seasons ago, the slopes were piled high with snow, and the area near Jasper was covered in snow. This year, however, the slopes were nearly empty, and the area looked like it was about to be abandoned. The snow had melted away, and the sun had already started to warm up the area. The view from the top of the mountain was breathtaking, and the air was filled with the scent of fresh air and snow.

At Jasper, one ski resort, Betsie Lodge, was already preparing for the next season. The staff was hard at work, clearing the snow from the slopes and refreshing the area. The equipment was in good condition, and the staff was ready to welcome the next group of skiers.

For the present, if it’s springtime skiing you’re after, don’t hesitate to go. Visit Susie Schuss and discover the beauty of the Canadian Rockies.

NEW ENGLAND: The five major ski resorts of Stowe, Mount Snow, and Killington in Vermont; Waterville Valley in New Hampshire; and Sugarloaf in Maine have formed the Ski New England Group for joint promotion of ski vacation packages aimed primarily at the Southeast and Midwest. Looking beyond the 1972-1973 season, members of the Group anticipate moving into four-season vacation packages that will include golf, tennis and horseback riding.
Badetermine mit dem einfachen Leben vertau-
schen, dann ist die Schwäbische Alb ein
gebiet für Snobs. Denn hier gibt es zwei
Nachbarn noch Хотилье, weder Super-
hotels noch Bikinis.

Dafür wird das Angebot an schlichten
den Haustieren, immer häufiger
mit Dusche und WC, allmählich größer. Vor
allen sind die Städte und Altenburg
im Beispiel Wiesensteig, Reut-
lingen, Geisingen oder Tailfingen sind für
gebrochene Ansprüche geeignet. Aber auch
die kleinen Orte wie Bartholomä, Odendal-
stetten, Eningen unter Achalm oder Burg-
felden bei Pfeffingen haben sehr gute, teil-
weise neue Gasthäuser zu bieten, die durch
eine gepflegte Gastwirtschaft besonders an-
ziehend werden. Und im Forellenrestaurant
Regenmühle bei Eybacht spielt die Wirtin
abends mit der Gitarre auf...

Der Schwerpunkt der Alb liegt jedoch
auf der Familienerholung. Das abwech-
sungsreiche Wandergebirge mit den steilen
Alndern und den Tropfsteinhöhlen, mit
weiten Schafweiden und sanften Talern ist

Sonderheft Schwäbische Alb

Das Mai-Juni-Heft 1972 der Zeit-
schrift „Baden-Württemberg“ widmet sich
besonders der Schwäbischen Alb. Das Heft, das 5 Mark kostet, enthält
eine große Zahl von Informationen und
Fotos, die für Urlaub und Wochenend-
auflösung interessant und wichtig sind.

geradezu geschaffen dafür, von einer Ferienwohnung aus mit Kind und Kegel
auf Wanderschaft und auf Entdeckungsreise
zu gehen — und trotzdem die Urlaubszirkule
auch kinderfreundlich zu schaffen.

Viele Ortstüchtige liefern bisher
zur Auswahl. Die „Sonnenmiete“ bei
Erlingen mit 50 Häusern, das Feriendorf
Gomadingen bei Markach im Lautertal
(neue Häuser), das Feriendorf Westheim
mit 30 Halets und 15 Häusern in Tieren-
gen bei Balingen. Alle diese Dörfer wer-
den noch erweitert, neue sind geplant, zum
Beispiel in Bartholomä und in Littenweil.

741 Reutlingen, Hauptbahnhof, haben Son-
derprospekte mit Anschriften, Wohnungs-
beschreibungen und Preisen. Bei diesen
Adressen gibt es auch weiteres Informations-
und Prospektmaterial über die Schwäbische Alb.

Was tun auf der Alb anderwärts?
Be-
suchen Sie in den etwa 15 begehbaren Höhlen,
an den Burgen und in den Schlössern?
Der Katalog der Aktivitäten hat sich in
den letzten Jahren ganz erheblich erwei-
tert.

Da lockt 71 Hallen- und teilweise be-
heizte Freibäder, darunter die neuen
rinal-Thermalbäder Urach und Bad Ober-
kingen. Immer mehr Freunde findet die Rei-
ten, etwa in Mehstetten, Lauterburg, in
Landesstätten Markach oder im Burgfelden
tei Tailfingen. Auf den 18 Segelflugplätzen
der Alb können teilweise auch Urlauber als
Passagiere mitfliegen. Wer klettern will,
hat vielerorts interessante Felsen ganz
in der Nähe — ein Sport, der allerdings
nicht ganz ungefährlich ist.

Weniger gefährlich ist es auf den Wald-
sport- und Leihplätzen, die vielfach
zuständig sind und entstehen. An Regenagen
steht eine Reihe von Museen zur Auswahl.
Daneben das Thema Erlebnis in Aalen, das
Museum für Waagen und Gewichte in Ba-
lingen oder das Geislinger Besteckmuseum
zu nennen. In Weihen wurde Mieders aus
den vielen Zeilbachern zusammengetragen,
Um alles über das Thema Brot. Vor allem
die Burgen und Schlösser enthalten wert-
volle Sammlungen. Weiters berühmt ist das
vorgeschichtliche Museum Hauff in Holz-
maden mit 160 Millionen Jahren alten ver-
steinerten Tieransammlungen und anderem Ge-
tier aus dem Jurameer. Amateurarchäolo-
gen haben in Bad Boll die Möglichkeit, auf
geführten Exkursionen selbst mit dem
Hammer dem Schiefer und dem Jura zu
Leibe zu rücken, um versteinerte Muscheln
und Schneck zu suchen.

Wenn diese Urlaubsgestaltung noch
weniger zu wenig ist, der kann seine Ferienange
mit einer „Heilanstalt“ in den Bädern
der Alb verbinden. Gelegenheit dazu gibt es in Bad Boll, Bad Oberkingen, Bad Dit-
zenbach, Bad Sebastianswiesen und jetzt
auch in Urach.

Und wenn Sie nach so gesundem, natur-
verbrannten Urlaub dann wieder einmal

Vom Flugzeug aus

Der Flugreisebooom ist noch nicht
angesetzt, wirft die Fluggesellschaften ab-
ne Angebote im Inlandsflugverkehr. Der
Preisangabe des Toasterflugverkehrs
IATA den ihr angeschlossenen Flugverkehrs
vorschlägt.

Wer beispielsweise desti-
neh ist, hat die Wahl in
verschiedenen Flugan-
gen. Der Startpreis ver-
gleichen Sie die Flugziele des Flugzeugflugs
in den Flugzeugen kaufen
bestehen, von Charterflug-
abreisen, die Unternehmen

Reise und Betriebsberichte
Tourism Gets Boost

To stimulate tourism within Canada and to give Canadians an opportunity to discover the beauty of their own country, CP Air has announced a number of package vacations for the winter season. Nine choices, ranging from a weekend special in Vancouver to seven days at Banff, are available.

The Vancouver weekend special includes two nights at one of three centrally located hotels with rates ranging from $41.50 to $54. (All rates are for two persons and do not include airfare.) For those who want to stay longer, there is the eight-nights vacation with hotel rates ranging from $33 to $43 and twelve hotels to choose from. Inclined in the price of both vacations is a three-and-a-half hour Gray Line bus tour of the city and surrounding area.

To combine skiing with touring, CP Air offers a Vancouver and Whistler Mountain holiday. Two days at Vancouver’s Bayside Inn are combined with five days at Mount Whistler for $95.

Six skiing vacations are available, including lifts in their price: lift tickets, meals, transfers, optional ski lessons, and draw for a pair of Yamaha skis.

Banff has three super ski packages. “Learn to Parallel” means seven days and nights at Banff Springs Hotel for $166. “Banff Ski Week” features seven days skiing at Mt. Norquay, Sunshine or Lake Louise for $154. For those who only have a short time there is the “Banff Quickly” — a three-day ski vacation for $46.

Two-and-a-half hours north of Vancouver are the ski grounds of Whistler Mountain. “Learn to Powder Ski” is a seven-day adventure for $154 while the “Whistler Ski Week” special is another seven days of fun for $137. The “Whistler Quickly” is a three-day special for $66.

Round trip economy airfare is additional. To Vancouver from: Montreal — $183; Ottawa — $179; Toronto — $171; Winnipeg — $181; Edmonton — $157; Calgary — $152; To Calgary from: Montreal — $158; Ottawa — $153; Toronto — $146; Winnipeg — $177; and Vancouver — $152.

Part of the Sunshine Village complex.

Just sun and quiet

No television, no radio, no telephone in the room, no traffic passing by, just acres and acres of sunshine. It is hard to anticipate the high, broad valley which unfolds at the end of the road. In the distance, Mount Rutherford, over the ski runs in the sunshine and fading.
HELIICOPTER SKIING

Something New At Banff

For the first time, winter visitors to Banff will be able to add the dimension of helicopter skiing to their ski holiday. Banff helicopter skiing will operate from mid-December to April at the Kananaskis area of the park, just outside Banff in the alley.

The ski area, located in the southern Alberta mountains, is near the Banff Springs Hotel and is 10 miles from the town of Banff. It has runs of all types of difficulty, with a variety of slopes and several miles in length. The area, which is operated by the Banff Ski Area Company, is one of the few in Canada where a few houses are scattered about the slopes. The most active visitor is probably the skier, who, according to the ski area, is the one who has never felt the touch of a ski. The ski area also contains the Continental Divide where the peaks vary in height to over 13,000 feet. It is said that the area has the greatest number of skiers in the world. The area has a daily average of 10,000 skiers per day, but this is not known. The average skier has not been seen to be in the area, and the group have not seen the ski area, as the group have not been there.

Lake Louise prices for skiers irritate

Editor, The Herald:

As a skier and a long-time resident, I am sure to discover that “Big Friendly” is not friendly to ski families with one and two children. Because this price structure has not been approved by National Parks Service, I believe this to be a matter of public as well as ski concern.

It’s a fact that Lake Louise raised its day ticket prices by 50 cents, and is trying to get its adult season ticket prices “acquainted accordingly” downward. The price for the couple with one or two children remains the same as it was in the higher price structure, by the National Parks Service.

The parks service lowered the day tickets, the single-ski season pass and the maximum family season rate, but when faced with these fixed limitations, Lake Louise was still able to offer prices on this, second and third children to the family total for a large percentage of skiers $1 per cent higher instead of 25 per cent higher, as is the approved day ticket price.

LOUISE BRESLY

Travel agents on ‘skifari tour’

OTTAWA — Jack Haddon, Chief of the Tour Promotion for the Canadian Government Travel Bureau, has announced that 30 travel agents from the United States and Canada will take part in a December tour organized by the Travel Bureau in co-operation with Air Canada and UTL Holiday Tours of Toronto.

The tour will begin December 1st in Edmonton and agents will be greeted at the Edmonton International Airport. The tour will then travel to the Rocky Mountains, wintering at the Banff High Park and the nearby Sunshine Village area. The group will return to Calgary on December 7th for a skiing tour of the Banff area, including the famous Sulphur Mountain.

Alpine ski enthusiast here for seminars

Hans Gmoser, an Austrian who brought his knowledge and love of skiing and alpine skiing to Banff where he now makes his home.

He was in Ottawa to give an alpine ski seminar as part of the Skifari program. It is in its second season and was developed by Air Canada in co-operation with the Canadian Government Travel Bureau and the province of Alberta.

The group will be based at the Banff-Bow Valley ski resort, and the program will include seminars on skiing, snowboarding, and mountaineering.

The group will also have the opportunity to ski the slopes of Sulphur Mountain and other nearby ski areas.

There are five ski resorts which are part of the vast ski area, including Banff-Jasper and the Whistler area, with the co-operation of British Columbia’s Whistler Mountain.

For the group of alpine ski enthusiasts who want more adventure and the money to pay for it, Mr. Gmoser operates a helicopter service to upper mountain skiing.

He said his fans enjoy the experience, offering top skiing for $700 or $1,000 a week or above over the original air fare. "We take in about 36 people a day and our income is for Micky Mouse type of skiing. These people should stay at home.”

He recommends not only fashion but comfort and safety in ski clothes. These include overboots, pant legs, and skis which will fit inside. He also recommends fresh wool socks to be changed daily, a wool glove under the pair keeps the skier warm and dry as well.

He says that 70 per cent of the skiers who take the helicopter trip are men in their mid-40s who are in good physical condition. Mr. Gmoser is a certified mountain guide and insists on caution and safety where his skiers are concerned.

The town of Banff, for many years a winter resort, offers more than it ever did. There are discos for those who want nightlife and a community theatre as well.
Entertainment
H.O.T. line
THINK SNOW...ready your winter apparel, skis, poles, boots, and begin planning your ski vacation of a lifetime.
Whether you are a novice, intermediate or expert skier, Canada's glorious Rocky Mountain slopes offer fun and thrillingcyber.
The Alberta Rockies offer the greatest skiing anywhere, in the most dazzling setting imaginable. No matter how high up or how dizzying the runs down, you can always look back around at taller snow-peaks glittering in the brilliant sun.
Four of the most famous ski areas in the world are right at your doorstep - in Alberta: Sunshine Village, Lake Louise, Marmot Basin; six beautiful mountain offering over 150 miles of snow-covered ski slopes and areas, and some of the best in the business. If you dream of skiing, this is the place to live your dreams.
Major airlines operate daily flights from Winnipeg to Calgary and Edmonton. The ski resorts surrounding Banff (72 miles west of Calgary), and Jasper (235 miles west of Edmonton) are easily reached by excellent all-weather roads and there are daily bus services serving all four ski areas. Or, if you wish you can rent a car, ski rack equipped and available in all ski areas.
Three times weekly Gray Tours offer scenic drives between Banff and Jasper - 175 miles of breathtaking winter mountain beauty.
If you are a novice, learning can be fun - fertile, satisfying fun. ski lessons are offered at five great ski schools in Canada's west. There are over 100 pro ski instructors to ensure that you get the most out of your ski vacation, fully equipped shops for rentals, repairs, and the latest in ski fashion are available at all Big Four areas.
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Banc your reserve trois vacances-ski sensationnelles: "Ap-renez le ski parallèle" signifie sept jours et sept nuits à l'hôtel Banff Springs pour $161; la "Semaine de ski à Banff" comprend sept jours de ski au Mont Norquay, Sunshine ou au Lac Louise, pour $154. Pour ceux qui dispon-sent de peu de temps, il y a "Banc en bref" - trois jours de vacances-ski pour $66 seulement.

CP promotes Western Canada

To stimulate tourism within Canada and to give Canadians an opportunity to discover the beauty of their own country, CP Air has announced a number of package vacations for the winter season. Nine choices, ranging from a weekend special in Vancouver to seven days at Banff, are available. Included in their price are lift tickets, meals, transfers, optional ski lessons, a free $9 nylon ski bag, and a chance to win the weekly draw for a pair of Yamaha skis.
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Cinq grandes régions de

par Tony SLOAN
(pour l'Office du tourisme du gouvernement canadien)

Tout le monde apprécie à sa façon les plaisirs du ski.

Un itinéraire amusant est un que le novice peut suivre prudemment, mais avec confiance, le skieur moyen, maître et l'expert, dévaler avec l'élégance naturelle du faisan se laissant flotter dans le vent.

Il y a plusieurs facteurs qui contribuent à rendre une piste attrayante: un terrain de catégorie intermédiaire comprenant, pour la variété, une ou deux pentes abruptes, de bonnes conditions de neige, un paysage enchanteur, une bonne protection offerte par les arbres. En tout cas, toutes les parties de plaisir sur neige ont un point commun: elles sont franchement amicales et elles procureront une évasion complète.

Le Canada possède plus de soixante grandes régions de ski, de la haute chaîne côtière de la Colombie-Britannique, sur la côte Ouest, aux montagnes de fer du Labrador. Chacune d'elles vaudrait sans doute la peine d'être visitée, mais voici les pistes de l'Ouest du Canada qui enchanteront le plus les skieurs et me font rêver l'hiver aux autres saisons:

LA GRANDE VOIE BLANCHE

Cette piste au nom approprié est en fait un grand plan incliné s'étendant jusqu'à la crête du continent, à Sunshine Village, beaucoup plus haut que Banff (Alberta) et les Rochers de glace. Cet endroit surplombe les montagnes pour vraiment soulever la poudre de l'Okanagan. Le loisir de la neige, autre part, permet d'avoir un aperçu de la région.

Okanagan, la Grande Ourse est la principale attraction de Silver Star, 16 milles plus haut que la ville de Vernon (Colombie-Britannique), célèbre pour son carnaval.

NEIGES ETERNELLES - Des piste géantes surplombent le centre de ski Sunshine Village, près de Banff, Alberta. La splendeur des Rochers de glace ainsi que la plus longue saison de ski et un vendeur de Sunshine Valley vendent po

Ski Package Is Expanded

Air Canada's "Skifari" winter package is back this year, but this time with some bright new attractions and lower rates for skiers heading for some of the most scenic slopes in America.

The Skifari package has been expanded to include tours of Whistler Village, Whistler Mountain, Garibaldi National Park, British Columbia. Featured again are tours to the Mount Norquay, Sunshine Village and Lake Louise ski areas in Banff National Park, Alberta.

The Skifari tour, basically an all-inclusive package tour, is available at the Rockies during the month of April. The package includes six nights accommodation at Lake Louise and Whistler Mountain, car rental at Vancouver and Calgary to reach the two resorts and a plan under which skiers will be able to divide their time between resorts, and ski areas of Jasper and Banff.

The Skifari package is effective November 18 to May 27, and the fares are based on the new low "Explorers Canada Discount Fare" announced recently by Air Canada. Under this all-inclusive rate, Skifari vacations to the ski areas in Banff and Jasper Posec National Parks include six nights accommodation, ground transportation between Calgary and Edmonton airports and the ski lift passes for five days. One to skiers travelling via Air Canada and staying for six nights during the last week of January and the second week of February will receive one round-trip ticket for each person on each trip.

Springs expanded

Calgary, AB - The world famous Banff Springs Hotel has swung into the 1973 winter season, well tuned into the winter sports scene offering to its host of new features and increased guest capacity.

The hotel has 300 rooms available during the 1973-74 winter season, an increase of 250 over last winter. The expanded guest capacity enables the hotel to meet the growing demand for accommodation, particularly during the ever-popular Christmas-New Year period, said John Potocki, general manager of the Banff Springs Hotel.
SAD DAYS ON SLOPES — This is the year of the skiers’ lament. Usually by this time there’s a general covering of snow throughout the Parkland and the season at Canyon Ski Hill is well advanced. But this year there’s only the artificial carpet laid down by Canyon’s snow machine for those who want to

Linda Curtis

Skol to our ski team

Mt. Norquay is the biggest challenge members of Canada’s Youthful National Ski Team have to face during their long season of racing.

“It’s the toughest because it’s steep all the way down,” says Laurie Kroener of Timmins, Ont. “The courses in Europe have flat sections in them.”

Laurie is a slender blonde, just slightly shorter than her 15-year-old sister, Kathy who, at 5 ft 6 in, is the tallest girl on the team.

Laurie placed fourth in the giant slalom at the 1973 Olympics in Sapporo and third in the giant slalom in the German ski championships.

Kathy won the German giant slalom. Their team-mate, Judy Crawford of Toronto took fourth place in the slalom at Sapporo.

Other girls on the team are Carolyn Aughton of Calgary and Glynne Honeyman of Toronto.

A healthier and more glowing group of young girls would be difficult to find. They flew in to Calgary Tuesday on route east from Aspen, Colo., where they cleaned up in a series of pre-Christmas races in spite of a severe shortage of snow.

I had a chance to talk with them at a special reception at the Petroleum Club organized by those in charge of the National Ski Team Fund.

The girls are very young, very dedicated and very conscious of carrying the honor of Canada on their slim shoulders every time they compete. I liked them. Looking pretty feminine in yellow turtle neck sweaters and long wool skirts of yellow and turquoise plaid, they agreed they were looking forward to working this week in training at Val D’Isère, France. Dec. 7.

What do they like best about Europe?

“‘The chalets, which are much more comfortable than hotels.”

Touring

Gettin’ to the... Special to The Alberta by Tony Sloan

“Get out into the wilderness... that’s where the real Canada is,” exclaimed Herman “Jack Rabbit” Johansen as he addressed a crowd of 700 cross-country skiers at the closing banquet of the Canadian Ski Marathon a few years ago.

Many have hearkened to the famed 97-year-old outdoorsman’s advice. Very few perhaps have actually taken to overnight treks and wilderness camping but winter resorts across Canada are booming with developing trails and associated services so they may cater to the rapidly increasing fraternity of cross-country skiers.

An existing seven-mile trail system in Mont Albert Provincial Park is being expanded and improved this year with special emphasis on terrain and facilities for beginners and senior skiers. Warming huts are being erected at one- or two-mile intervals and trail markers include...
Ski team mood optimistic
under new head coach
Scott Henderson

Canada’s National Ski Team breezed through
Calgary the other day on its way to Europe, and
the members are under a distinct impression that
they are definitely on the spor of some big game.
When the skiers aren’t saying anything about
the game, they just don’t know what it means.
But when their eyes light up like champagne glasses
at the mere mention of the name Scott Henderson,
that is an indication that good things are going on.

On their first outing of the year at the Winter
Start races held at Snow Mountain Colorado last
day, the Canadians won 15 of the 18 medals passed out
for the men’s and women’s competition.

Jungle Jim Hunter won the opening giant slalom,
followed closely by fellow Canadian Reto Barring-
ton. The following day they reversed roles as Reto
won the slalom.

Middle coach Scott Henderson figures he really
has his top people flying, and as far as he is con-
cerned only the top performers fly to Europe.
The men’s World Cup team now consists of two mem-
bers — Hunter and Barrington, and the girls’ team
includes Calgary’s Carolyn Oughton, Judy Crawford
of Toronto, the Kreiner sisters Cathy and Laurie
from Timmins and Gunny Honeyman from Montreal.

“Rocky Mountain snow to help
Everybody enjoys a fun
run.

A fun run is that race where the novice works his way
down with a measure of confidence and control, the
intermediate skier parallels it, and the expert skier
downs with the effortless grace of a hawk in the wind.

Many factors combine to make a fun run —
intermediate class terrain with a steep pitch or two for vari-
ty; consistent snow conditions; outstanding scenery;
good tree shelter. But all fun runs have one intangible in
common — they’re down-friendly and do wonders
for your ego.

Here are five of Western Canada’s best:

Great white way

This aptly-named run is actually
a vast, sloping field that
stretches right up to the Con-
tinental Divide at Sunshine
Village, high above Banff, Al-
berta, in the Canadian Rockies.

It’s completely above timber-
line and the total lack of
reference points destroys
perspective, leaving a dis-
orienting “spread out” situa-
tion peculiarly for eastern
skiers on their initial run.

Once accustomed, you can
traverse for half a mile or
wander on over a 20 de-
gree expanse of some of the
most consistent, and usable
snow on the continent.

Paradise
Paradise is at the top of the
two lift and just below the
summit of Mount Varley Peak
in the Sunshine area near
Jasper, Alberta.

Paradise is a name of a
run starting up in the snow-
bowl of Mount Varley and
winding down through the
upper pine forests and the
lower base lodge.

On the left a gentle, mean-
ingless slope called the Riel,
with the right a tiny little
knob off the shelf and a
knob-map at the bridge
between. It’s across the-bone
terrain with that high and dry

Henderson knew where-
he was speaking. He was a
member of a valiant band
of competitors including
his brother Wayne, Peter Don-
nan, Keith Shephard, Gerry
Randall and others who
shook his world at first, but
were unable to win any gold
medals.

Scott’s World Cup and
Olympic teams have
shut half about four years
ago when he suffered a mis-
fortune on the ice.

He hobbled along for a
spell under the medical care
of the United States professional circuit. He took on
the head coach’s job when Guy Millard packed it up in
favor of a job as men’s coach for the French team.

Today Scott is back in the
psychological mood for serious ski racing. He has them
loose but doesn’t expect a big race this year.

“We’re going to surprise a few people this year,” said
Reto Barrington. “Jungle (Hunter) and I have never skied
this good in our lives.

Reto is coming off what he felt was a mediocre year last
year. He had a big end last year, but the first third of the season,
and at the World Cup race at Bormio he tore some muscles in
a shoulder. But he is back and ready. Reto possesses the
race set

The Western Molstar parameters race goes to Sunshine Village, Nov-
ember 16-19. Ski pro from twenty or more re-
sorts will run against each other to establish a handicap that all skiers can
ski against during the coming season.

The event, sanctioned by the Canadian
Ski Association and run by the various
ski resorts, offers recreational skiers a chance
to enter a fun race and over a season try
to improve their handicap.

If you are in certain percentage ran-
ges of the local passsetter you will win a
brass, silver or gold pin.
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The only major drawback to the Ottawa centre is that all the major ski suppliers are centred in Montreal, the team travels through Montreal every time they head to or from Europe and the major news sources in Canada run from Montreal or Toronto and not from Ottawa.

The move is going to increase some of the travel costs of the Association but they should do better than break even by sharing costs in the large sports pool.

Keith is generally happy with his new set up and has taken much of his Montreal staff with him to Ottawa. Personally I feel with the association camped on the back door of the minister of health they should be getting a better deal.

On the local scene the Western Division has moved their offices further out Broadway and unfortunately into smaller quarters. The staff is enthusiastic and should more than make do with the now cramped situation.

Has anyone seen the early Saturday morning ski shows on CBC-TV. It was reported to me by friends travelling in the Williams Lake region mid-October and I can find listings for it anywhere.

Actually, even if it is scheduled into that slot, what ski nut is going to stay home and watch while all the wonderful white is about.

The two new lifts at Garibaldi are proceeding on schedule and it all goes well should be in operation before Christmas. Weekend skiers, both in McConkey's courses and kneers have been watching the progress with pleasure for several months now.

Winter touring in Canada

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Vancouver, B.C.
November 1972

New units added at Kings Domain

The King's Domain a condominium style complex in Louise is adding 34 studio units for the winter. These studio units will be available for occupancy by the end of November and are additional to the 39 apartments which were built two years ago.

The King's Domain is designed and operated by skiers for skiers and in keeping with the basic simplicity in design, all furniture in the new studios has been custom made using natural woods and warm carpet colors.

The King's Club, a specially designed and decorated chalet-type party room is open to all guests and is the centre of après ski socializing and fun.

The new studio units are designed for two people, whereas, the apartments sleep up to six. There is a choice of queen size or twin beds with each unit having a mini-kitchen with facilities for cooking a simple meal.

The King's Domain, with its additional accommodation, helps swell the number of beds in Lake Louise for winter visitors to over 400.
Sun Valley keeps on growing

Sun Valley's two ski mountains, unlike normal mountains, are continuing to grow not in height, but in dimension.

Development on both Baldy and Dollar this past summer has opened new areas, increased lift and skier capacity and expanded familiar older and popular runs.

Crews from Sun Valley Company Inc., along with those of contractors, have worked closely with the U.S. Forest Service in developing Baldy's growth, and construction has taken several forms. Two new lifts, a new restaurant, cutting of a new bowl, widening of trails and lane improvements.

The new Plaza Lift is a double chair that begins about 100 yards below the Upper Warm Springs lift and terminates at Mid-College. Skiers will load and unload inside lift terminal buildings. This lift opens newly developed Plaza, Grayhaw, Middle Warm Springs, Lower Limelight, Flying Squirrel, the Graduate, Lower College, College South Slopes, Sunnyside Six and Costa Brea to these skiers who prefer not to go to the summit.

The 18 towers of the Plaza lift were installed by helicopter.

Winter wonderlands

By PERCY ROWE
Travel Editor

Everybody likes snow on Christmas Day. Some (skiers) like it in April.

Snow in the city is a humbug but it perks up the countryside, lightens the night, starts one recollecting about lost virginity. Kids love it, and their elders are now battling it to a draw with skis, snowshoes, snowmobiles, and even winter holidays.

For those who feel no urge to endure the cold, there is a selection of places to spend a real wintry winter holiday.

QUEBEC CITY

How to get there: By CN train, changing at Montreal, $45.80 return. Air Canada, $53 return, weekend special. By road, about 10 hours driving.


Costs: Low for N. America. Good dinners with wine, $12 and up for two. Many medium priced hotels, and good guest houses from $5 per person per night.

LAWRENCE: snowmobile trails around Laurentides Park. Quebec Nordiques of WHA to watch.

What to do: Explore narrow, ancient streets of walled Upper Town and the Place Royale. Restoration in Lower Town: eat in cozy restaurants; drink in convivial little bars; come in a powder magazine. Visit nearby St. Anne de Beaupre shrine; take a horse-drawn sleigh ride through the city. Best time to go: Quebec Carnival time, late February to March 4 next year.

AUSTRIAN TYROL

How to get there: Plenty of package group deals. For instance, ski with an Air Canada pilot at St. Anton. from $71 for a week's accommodation, plus air fare. Or the following all-inclusive Lufthansa packages: eight days in Innsbruck, $377; 15 days at Kitzbuhel, $429.

Weather: Warm by Canadian mountain standards especially when the wind called the Fohn blows up from Italy, sporadically melting all the ski slopes' snow.

Costs: Moderate. Plenty of pensions from $4 a day and hotels for $70-$100 a week.

Sports: Skiing, skating, sleigh rides, some curling at Innsbruck.

Great eating, especially of pastries. Meet the Austrians, a friendly people keeping their toy like villages in the valleys as spotless as the snow. Take side trips to Salzburg, Vienna.

NEW YORK CITY

How to get there: Air Canada, seven flights a day, $14 return; also several U.S. airlines. By road via absorb spectacular scenery, sample somewhat limited ski-in-ski-out facilities in Banff, Jasper, breathe really clean air.

SWITZERLAND

How to get there: More "ski with an Air Canada pilot" packages to places like Zermatt and St. Moritz. Other airlines, like Swissair, also have packages.
Canadian skiers have a choice

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Air fares, of course, are a key factor: this winter Amsterdam, or Oslo-Treach, are the cheapest. Berlin-Chicago, start with a 22.50-day excursion rate. Minimum price is 182 days, 22 days. Next is a one-week group innschriften package. Airlines are two-weeks GJT at around $320; and an individual 11 days excursion $314 minimum of $301. Most winter holidays can be fitted into one or other of these.

In Canada, the dollar is important, but you are still a long way off.

Now western Canada, for such comparison as is possible.

The air fares applicable are the individual winter excursion fares (Cincinnati-Kansas City to the variation of snow areas, and ski lift).

Revue au Spring

Prospects for skiing began to improve as this week wore along. A cold front has been sheding abiding dundruff-like the snow over the past few days.

But Jasper's Marmot Basin, by Wednesday was forced to announce a second postponement of its opening date, which now is Dec. 8. Marmot was to have opened Nov. 21, originally.

Marmot general manager John Ogilvie says, however, that the snow base even in the upper basin is "extremely thin. We certainly wouldn't open it to crowds this week.

Ogilvie confesses that the Jasper mountain resort needs "a couple of feet of snow before skiing conditions will be ideal.

The two-week delay in opening at Marmot has forced at
Publisher's

Look at that white stuff!

For a while it looked as though we wouldn't get enough to start skiing in the Cypress Hills much before Christmas. But snow has been falling on the hills the past week. Almost a foot of it had accumulated before this snowfall began. Now we're as well off as the ski resorts around Banff, so far snow is concerned.

That is reassuring to the Winter Games Committee. In our brief bidding for the 1975 games we emphasized that even if it was sunny and fairly dry in Medicine Hat there would be snow in the hills. They generally receive it sooner than the city and keep it much longer. What's happening now backs up our statement.

Representatives of Sports Federation of Canada will visit Medicine Hat next week.

Hill and gully gaps

By Tony Sloan

"Get out into the wilderness... that's where the real Canada is!" exhorted Herman Jack Rabbit Johnson as he addressed a crowd of 700 cross-country skiers at the closing banquet of the Canadian Ski Marathon a few years ago.

Many have hearkened to the famed 65-year-old outdoorsman's advice. Very few perhaps have actually taken a overnight trek into the wilderness camping but winter resorts across Canada are busy developing trails and associated services so they may cater to the rapidly increasing fraternity of cross-country skiers.

The revived interest in trail skiing has created a new dimension in winter vacations. Many traditional areas, long identified with downhill runs now offer one- or two-day cross-country skiing packages.

Empress of the Rockies tour failed to find snow until it returned home to Calgary

Question: If a ski nut has a week of vacation to clean up before the year end and the countryside is bereft of snow, what would be his most logical move?

Answer: Head westward, into another range of mountains and seek out those regions where snow abounds from mid-November to mid-April.

As touring the lengths of Craig Macleod's Wayward Bus, we set off into the teeth of a gale in a rented motor home. Occupants of the vehicle, which is now known as the Empress of the Rockies included members of family and friends totaling 17.

The vehicle was luxuriously equipped with refrigerator, stove, heater, hot and cold running water, propane furnace and adequate room in its 24-foot expance.

The first day out was uneventful except for the delicious sight of blowing snow as we sped by the Healy Creek turnoff to Sunshine Village. Destination: Banff.

Choose your adventure

American Express has a comprehensive group of ski and snow tours in Europe and the Americas. A 4-week color brochure lists one- to three-week tours in Switzerland, France, and Austria. There's also a section of helpful information for the skier making his first trip abroad. A random tour offers one week in Davos, Switzerland including airfare, accommodation, and ski prices. The cost varies according to the type of accommodation and ski prices. For the cross-country enthusiast, Finns and the foreigner. For the cross-country enthusiast, Finns and the foreigner. For the cross-country enthusiast, Finns and the foreigner. For the cross-country enthusiast, Finns and the foreigner. For the cross-country enthusiast, Finns and the foreigner.
Un choix intéressant de voyage au Canada

Afin de stimuler le tourisme au Canada et donner aux Canadiens l’occasion de découvrir la beauté de leur propre pays, CP Air vient d’annoncer des voyages-vacances tout compris, prévus pour la saison hivernale. Neuf options sont disponibles, dont un week-end spécial à Vancouver au septième jour à Banff.

Le week-end spécial à Vancouver comprendra un tour à l’un des trois hôtels du centre-ville à des prix qui s’échelonnent entre $41.50 et $54. (Tous les prix indiqués sont pour deux personnes et les voyages ne comprennent pas le transport en avion.) Pour ceux qui désirent prolonger leur séjour, ils peuvent profiter de l’offre vacances-hôtels, qui offre un voyage complémentaire de Montréal à Vancouver: $183; de Montréal à Calgary: $158.

Le tarif aérien pour voyage aller-retour en classe économique est de $294. Les tarifs aériens ne sont pas compris de Montréal à Vancouver: $183; de Montréal à Calgary: $158.

Try Schleu

Schleu a fait sa rentrée au ski de randonnée et a terminé deuxième sur le podium de la course de ski alpin de la Coupe du Monde. Il est considéré comme l’un des meilleurs skieurs de la discipline en ce moment.

Retour au royau... par Tony Sloan

"Plonger dans la nature, vous y découvrirez le vrai Canada." C’est en ces mots que Herman "Jack Rabbit" Johannsen adressait à une foule de skieurs de promenade au sommet du mont Caribou. Il y a quelques années.

Les conseils de ces experts partisans de la vie au grand air, de 97 ans, ne sont pas restés lettre morte. Peut-être n’a-t-il pas beaucoup de gens qui vivent dans un monde qui ne se soucie pas des exigences du sport et du loisir. Les skieurs de télévision et les skieurs de course se donnent des excès et se soucient des règles pour répondre à la mode du ski de promenade.

The SKI SCENE

By JOHN GORMAN

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Racers, instructo...

Lake Louise will open Saturday morning with good snow on site, and not so good in others, says area sales manager Keith Shepherd.

"Since we've raised lift prices, it is our sincere aim to make the recreational skier the king of the hill this season," Shepherd said.

The new Lake Louise philosophy will be centered on the premise that the lift pays the mill gets the best treatment. New rules will be in force governing priorities on the lift lines.

Racers will no longer be allowed to crash ahead of recreational skiers, nor will ski schools or ski patrol. Exceptions will be made in the case of ski instructors with private lessons, and for ski patrollers in the case of legitimate emergencies.

Lift operators and ski patrol are on the same radio frequency, so there is no danger that emergency situations can be falsified. Even Lake Louise management will take a back seat to the paying customer, Shepherd claims. Of course there will be exceptions to this in emergency situations.

"We don't feel that a person who pays for a ski lesson should be given the right to go in front of other skiers," Shepherd said.

Banff Springs Adds 200

The famous Banff Springs Hotel has increased its 1972-73 winter season room capacity to 500 rooms, 200 more than last year.

Ezra Petrek, General Manager, reports the increased guest capacity will enable the hotel to meet the growing demand for accommodation, particularly during the Christmas-New Year period.

One of the main seasonal attractions at the hotel is a ski school under the direction of Hubert Ortol. The school offers instructions at all three Banff ski areas.

Each additional person with children under 12 years old may be accommodated for $99 per pair.

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Banff offers...
Many winter

By TED PARKS
The Star's Travel Editor

Package tours are available to all Canada's major ski resorts. They range from weekends to weeks and longer periods and most include two tickets, professional instruction, and apres-ski activities. Here is a selection:

- Air Canada, in association with UTL Holiday Tours, has extended its western skiing vacation locations—Banff, Jasper, Lake Louise and Whistler Mountain, B.C.
- The all-inclusive seven-day packages are available to May 31. Cost: including air fare, runs from $295 to $380.
- CP Air's Western Ski Tours to Banff, Whistler and Vancouver range from three to seven days, but may be extended.

The seven separate tours are available to Easter and range from $61, plus air fare, for three days, to a high of $154 for seven days. All include hotel, unlimited skiing and parties.

Air fare from Montreal to Calgary is $156; to Vancouver, $118. Laurentian Ski Weekends, and a Quebec Carnival program, have been packaged by UTL Holiday Tours and Air Canada.

The Laurentian areas are Mont Tremblant, Ste. Adele, Ste. Donat, Ste. Agathe, St. Donat, Ste. Adele, Val Morin, and, based on two people, a room, range from $106 per person to $199 for standard accommodation, and from $119.50 to $154 per person in superior rooms. Transportation is not included.

Two plans are available: MAP (breakfast and dinner), and AP

New ski features at Banff Springs

The world famous Banff Springs Hotel has swung into the 1972-73 winter season, well tuned into the winter sports scene offering a host of new features and increased guest capacity.

There are 500 rooms available during this season, an increase of 200 over last winter. For the skier or would-be-skier, the Banff Springs provides a ski school and a sports room right in the hotel. Under the direction of Hubert Ott, who holds a professional Canadian ski certification, the school offers instruction at all three Banff ski areas.

The three major ski areas—Mount Norquay, Sunshine Village and Lake Louise — have a combined lift capacity of several thousand skiers per hour and offer some of the best skiing on the continent. From profile projected slopes to steep championship runs, the Banff areas have enough variety for everyone.

For the first time, winter visitors to Banff will be able to add the dimension of helicopter skiing to their ski holiday. Banff helicopter skiing will operate from Banff this winter, taking groups to the Kananaskis area which lies just outside Banff National Park.

TILLICUM VALLEY

A ski school with new ideas

Tillicum Valley Ski area has announced that a recently formed ski school company has assumed the operation of the Tillicum Valley Ski School. The company, headed by Peter McKay-Smith, director of the Grandview Ski Area Ski School in Kamloops, and Joe Coulthard, director of the Parkaoo Ski Area at Calgary, has appointed Larry Hendrickson to direct the Tillicum School.

An ex-member of the RCMP, Hendrickson entered skiing while competing for the University of Montana ski team after which he taught physical education at the University of Alberta and at the University of Victoria.

In 1969, Hendrickson joined the Canadian Ski Instructors' Association and received the highest teaching grades on the ASI course that year at Sunshine Village, Banff.

Area operator Sandy Boyd says: "I am very happy that this group has expressed their sincere interest in our operation. I know that the combined experience of these people and their programs will introduce skiers of all abilities and ages to safer and more enjoyable skiing.

"With teaching aids like the Graduated Length Method and special beginner programs, the individual new skier will progress rapidly and safely. Also, for the first time in the Okanagan Valley, we will be introducing instant video replay for parents so they see their own progress.

"It should be a great year."
Air fares

Packages

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Still bargain

Skiing in Europe is still a bargain if you combine charter, promotional or group fares with the lowest land deals that meet Alpine destinations, and others, can offer.

Air fares, of course, are a key factor. This winter's tariffs, say Montreal-Zurich, start with a 22-45 day excursion at $225. Minimum stay is 22 days. Next is a one-week group inclusive tour fare of about $249; a two-week GIT at around $290; and an individual curriculum (20-30 days) of skiing in a European location with two or more destinations.

At the same time, when all the factors are examined, some Easterners are finding a European trip cheaper.

Many ski areas offer package deals to Europe.

WHERE TO SKI

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French Alps

Similar one-week packages are available at the same time in Switzerland. Chamonix, for instance, for the one-week package of about $350; a two-week GIT at around $530; and an individual curriculum of 20 days in the same location with two or more destinations.

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Hans Gossar, coordonnateur de ski, les vacanciers-ski dans l'Ontario canadien, est venu présenter son programme aux skieurs de Québec hier soir à l'hôtel Normand de Lac Boucherville. Il était accompagné des représentants d'Air Canada qui collaborèrent à l'organisation de ce programme. On compte à droite nos voisins Bruno Fraga et directeur commercial d'Air Canada; Peter Deroose, avocat du footballeur, de relâchement publicitaire d'Air Canada, Hans Gossar, et Maurice Allain responsable des affaires gouvernementales à Air Canada.