

## RMSSC Sunshine Ski Tour 2015 Report - December 6 to 9



The Brewster bus carried us swiftly and safely on bare, dry roads with no snow in sight through to the mountains when the sky finally yielded to winter with snow, snow and more snow for the next three days. New snow made for a Skiers' Delight. Sometimes the snow was blowing and other days the snow fell in big flakes as though on cue from some Christmas song. Yee ha! How does that formula go? 45 RMSSC skiers + daily fresh snow + staying on the hill = FUN, LOTS OF FUN.

We arrived Sunday to a greeting from our Sunshine host, Kyle the magician. Our luggage and ski equipment disappeared and magically appeared in the flex room at the hotel. Hotel check in was quick, smooth and members settled into their comfortable rooms. What a great luxury to stay on the hill.

After a welcome gathering with food and drinks in the Eagle's Nest on Sunday evening, we awoke to temperatures of -4 C, fresh deep snow and many of our members scattered early to one of the many lifts to make the very first ski tracks on the many ski trails. After the first night's snow fall most upper runs were open and even parts of Goats Eye opened for the more adventurous members equipped with mental radar for the flat light and windy conditions.



Given the perfect snow conditions especially in the lower runs, many members just could not wipe that silly-new-snow-induced grin off their faces at lunch time. One person commented, "There is so much new snow that I could not hear my skis!" There was much talk of the new Tee Pee Town Express bubble-enclosed lift with heated seats. The hot tub was much appreciated to sooth our aching muscles.

Buffet breakfasts were much appreciated each morning for the convenience, timing and selections. Wonderful Buffet Dinners with turkey, carved ham and roast beef on both Monday and Tuesday evening were well received. Our many Aussie and New Zealander servicers were fun to tease and happy to make our dinning evenings both pleasant and fun.

Special thanks to the participants in Monday's Gaming Night. While there may be some competitive edge to our group, the blue and gold teams reluctantly but happily recognized the superior gaming skills of the red team lead by Shirley. Thanks to Micheline and Terry for again organizing a great evening.



We arrived home safe and sound at 9:30 PM after a bus ride home through rain, snow, fog, wind, snowy roads, icy roads and bare roads. Rob kindly left a “family planning kit” on the bus driver’s seat as a token of thanks to Paul, our bus driver.

RMSSC Tour hosts Byron Jonah and Darryl Reimche express their thanks to our Sunshine Resort Tour hosts; Leah, Irina and Kyle for their help in coordinating and trying to make this trip seamless – no waiting in lines for lift tickets or luggage and restaurant dinner service was excellent! Thanks also to all who joined us on this trip for their feedback and patience. Byron arrived home after the trip to discover he could not log on to his computer with its many ski tour files – while he was not entirely happy, he gives begrudging thanks to the computer gods for the timing of his computer crash.

Regards,

Darryl Reimche  
Byron Jonah