

Piccadilly Ski Club 2020-2021 Trip Sign-up Procedure

Introduction

We have planned a full slate of trips for 2021. Due to constant changes and uncertainty related to gatherings, trip sign-up for the 2020/21 season will be handled through email and/or US Mail. Please read on for the full sign-up procedure. **Sign-up will start on Saturday August 1st at 1:00 PM.**

Sign-up process detail:

1. Membership – As always, you must be a member to sign up for a trip. If you have not already renewed your membership for 2020/2021, please fill out attached membership form and send to PO Box 207, Downers Grove, IL 60515. Include a separate check for membership:
 - a. \$25 for members returning from 2019/2020
 - b. \$30 for new or prior members (not members in 2019/2020)
2. Select your trip(s).
3. Reserve your spot in the “virtual” line in one of two ways:
 - a. By email: After sign-up starts (8/1/2020 at 1:00 PM), send ONE email per trip in order of preference to the following email address: PSCtripsignup@gmail.com. Trips spots will be allocated in the order in which emails are received. Email must include the name of the trip that you are signing up for. Include roommate name if applicable. Follow up with forms and deposits (for you and your roommate) (see # 4 below) by US mail or drop off (must be received no later than 8/15/2020 or your spot “in line” will be forfeited).
OR
 - b. By US mail or drop off: Send in the forms and deposit (see # 4 below). Your spot will be allocated in the order of postmark or drop off.
4. Forms / Deposit: For each trip you wish to attend:
 - a. Fill out the attached “Member’s trip information sheet” form. (Don’t forget to sign it and make a copy for your records).
 - b. Write a deposit check of \$250.
 - c. Mail the form and the check to PO Box 207, Downers Grove, IL 60515, OR
 - d. Bring to Emmett’s (August 6th, if/when regular meetings resume)
5. Payment Notes:
 - a. Write one check per trip; indicate the destination on the check. Do not combine payments for multiple trips. However, you may combine payments for yourself and your roommate (on the same trip).
6. Roommates:
 - a. There is a spot on the sign-up form for roommate preference. If you do not have a roommate, every attempt will be made to match you with a roommate of your gender. If one cannot be found by the cutback date, you will have the option of paying the single supplement or cancelling from the trip. (Your check will not be deposited until a roommate is found).
7. Discount:

To qualify for the early sign up discount, the completed membership and trip forms and payments must be at PSC or postmarked according to the following schedule:

 - Big Mountain trips: On or before September 3rd!
 - Midwest trips: On or before October 1st!

In these crazy times, just what is my risk?

1. If you decide to cancel: Once your payment is deposited, you are “on the trip” and standard cancellation rules apply (see trip sign up form or the PSC website for detail).
2. If PSC elects to cancel the trip due to insufficient sign-ups: You will receive a 100% refund. (Decisions will be made no less than 90 days prior to trip departure for “Big Mountain” trips, 75 days for local weekend trips).
3. If a trip is cancelled due to a regional or national shutdown (e.g. COVID-19): PSC and our tour operators have taken extensive measures to protect our members. Procedures are complex and vary by destination. Every effort will be made to recover costs. As an example, with the cancellation of the Telluride trip last March due to COVID-19, we recovered 91.8% of the cost and refunded our members all of that. However, there is no guarantee and you may wish to explore trip insurance.
4. Trip insurance: PSC does not endorse any insurance provider. Here are a few sources some members and suppliers have used:

<http://www.travelprotectors.com>

<http://www.csatravelpro.com/WINTERSPORTTOUR>

<https://www.allianztravelinsurance.com>

Note that “cancel for any reason coverage” must be purchased within 14 days after initial deposit date.

Calendar Summary

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| 8/1 | Virtual sign up starts at 1:00 PM |
| 8/15 | Payment and paperwork must be at PSC to “hold” your spot in the virtual line |
| 9/3 | Big Mountain early sign-up discount expires |
| 10/1 | Midwest early sign-up discount expires |