



SCIJ Events 2000-2004

Maribor Val di Fiemme Sestriere Les Diablerets Alpe d'Huez



Maribor, Slovenia 2000



Fifteen kilometres south of the Austrian border, and 57 km from Graz is an interesting Slovenian City, Maribor, that in it's area has got something that every S.C.I.J. member would like to have in one's own backyard.

No, I do not mean the vineyards but a ski resort with over 1000-meter vertical drop. Maribor is probably the only city of 150.000 inhabitants in the world that can offer that.

Difficulties in getting there

Our arrival day happened to be the day in Europe when snow closed at least runways if not whole airports. Airports were packed with people trying to find new connections to their destinations. After leaving home in Turku at 4 am I reached Maribor with the rest of the Finnish team at 7 pm to see that the illuminated slope was open and tempting. However, as the insatiable Moloch's mouth of luggage handling had denied to spit out our equipment, we decided to admire the slope through the restaurant windows of hotel Arena and have our long-awaited-for supper that had been waiting to be waited for us. During the night and the next day other teams arrived and our happy skiing family reunion was able to begin.

Stare at their eyes

Hotel Habakuk proved to be a real jewel in Pohorje's crown. All being in the same hotel suited us very well. One didn't need to move many muscles to get to the restaurant, swimming pool, exercise room, sauna or disco. All the energy could be saved to the dance floor. In addition to the slopes and ski trails, of course. The naturalness of the nudist-minded sauna proved to be a bit unnatural to some of us. Natural verbal communication without any protecting uniform was somehow forced and keeping one's stare at the interlocutor's eyes was even more so.

Anyway, skiing is what matters

Hotel Habakuk is situated fifty meter from the nearest lift. What excellent exercise in the morning. Just enough, not too

much. The nearest lift takes skiers almost to the top, near the old hotels. Surprisingly they can be reached by car too. From the lift you could see the old downhill slope that because of lack of artificial snow making equipment was closed. It's steepness and natural curves made the slope look most entertaining but of course we had no chance to test it. The 1000+ meter vertical drop could be reached from the uphill hotels to Habakuk and the terrain was very varying with easier and more difficult parts and it ended to the terrace of Hotel Arena.

Grand Slalom

Women world-cup races are held on the same slope and so were ours. The track was a bit hard but Uros told us that the track is snow if you can make your skiing stick stand on it. If not, it's ice. Anyway the races were organised efficiently. Injuries were just mental. Some hassle was caused by a runner-up who couldn't believe that he was so good. He would've liked to be third.

Cross Country

Busses took us up the hill above the slopes. The high altitude could have been demanding to the lowlanders among us but the anti-cyclone made breathing easy and the warm sunny weather made the race more like a picnic with some summer skiing. As usual the Dutch team nourished us with their excellent pea soup. The pea soup proved to be the appetiser. After the race a lunch-tent was erected for us with too much food and wine and the after-lunch ski could've easily turned to an after-lunch nap.

The vineyard of the Romans

Viticulture in the Maribor region is over 2000 years older than skiing. It is known to have started during the Etruscan time, long before the birth of the city state of Rome. The Roman Caesar Probus ordered to plant vine in all sunny hillsides, which made Maribor a very important wine producer. The fall of the Roman Empire destroyed the very profitable industry but later the increasing immigration of Slavs revived the viticulture. Nowadays Maribor is called "the City" in the middle of vineyards".



Walter Gordon
◀ at the gate

Stara trta, oldest producing
vine in the world ▲▲

Mountain hut Luka at
Pohorje ski center ▲

In the Middle Ages Maribor's reputation as quality wine producer spread wide and viticulture became the main means of living in the region. As the mountains in north and south prevented transport by land, the wine was floated in ferries along the river Drava.

Stara trta, the Old Vine

The most virile greybeard is the oldest vine in Europe that still produces grapes. Even though it's been planted in 1560 it still grows grapes more than fifty kilos a year. However, fifty kilos is so little compared with the demand that the nectar of the Zametna Crnina grapes is mixed with other subspecies. The grape harvesting the first Sunday in September is a big carnival and important guests of the city and the state gather to celebrate along with the people of Maribor. The mayor of Maribor gives them important guests and what's left will be sold to collectors.

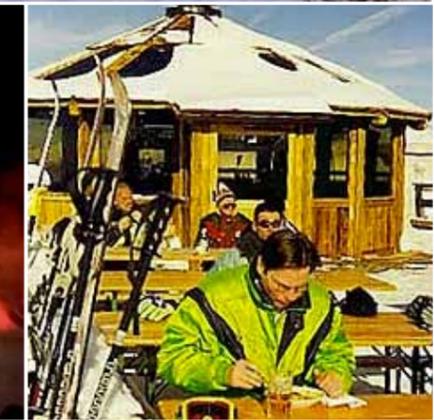
The Pohorje Hills

Maribor is in the immediate vicinity of the Pohorje range. In winter Pohorje becomes the greatest skiing centre in northeast Slovenia. There are wonderful skiing areas suitable for beginners and skilled skiers, for alpine skiing as well as for cross-country skiing. It is very difficult to find a city of such size in Europe, where people can mount their skis some 30 minutes after leaving their homes or offices. As the altitude

46. International meeting SCIJ Maribor January 2000		
RESULTS	Women juniors	Men juniors
Giant slalom	1. Barbara Jerman SLO 2. Maja Ros SLO 3. Vera Georgieva CZ	1. Gasper Boncelj SLO 2. Roberto Micalli ITA 3. Gernot Mussner ITA
Cross country	1. Maja Ros SLO 2. Tajana Pihlar SLO 3. Esther Begin CAN	1. Primoz Kalisnik SLO 2. Gasper Boncelj SLO 3. Kimmo Sarlin FIN
Combined	1. Maja Ros SLO 2. Barbara Jerman SLO 3. Tajana Pihlar SLO	1. Gasper Boncelj SLO 2. Primoz Kalisnik SLO 3. Simon Matthey Dorel SUI
	Women seniors	Men seniors
Giant slalom	1. Marjeta Sostaric SLO 2. Gerhild Shchiffkorn AUT 3. Maria Tolnaykova SLK	1. Peter Fryc CZE 2. Matjaz Albreht SLO 3. Corrado Giustiniani ITA
Cross country	1. Ivana Suhadolc ITA 2. Marjeta Sostaric SLO 3. Viera Vaclavkova SLK	1. Matjaz Albreht SLO 2. Gregor Pucej SLO 3. Tino Gusej SLO
Combined	1. Marjeta Sostaric SLO 2. Ivana Suhadolc ITA 3. Gerhild Shchiffkorn AUT	1. Matjaz Albreht SLO 2. Gregor Pucej SLO 3. Klaus Spathe GER
	Women super-seniors	Men super-seniors
Giant slalom	1. Albina Podvebek SLO 2. Cuca Campana ESP 3. Montse Campana ESPO	1. Franz Gortschnig AUT 2. Pierre Nussle, SUI 3. Franco Sillon, ITA
Cross country	1. Terttu Levonen FIN 2. Albina Podvebek SLO 3. Agneta Bolme Borjefors SWE	1. Franco Sillon ITA 2. Igor Longyuka SLO 3. Tone Fornezzi ITA
Combined	1. Albina Podvebek SLO 2. Cuca Campana ESP 3. Terttu Levonen FIN	1. Franco Sillon ITA 2. Franz Gortschnig AUT 3. Peter Weissensteiner AUT

Val di Fiemme, Italia 2001

Eliya Zviel Roitman and Vlado Krajec ▶
Marjeta Sostaric, Ovana Suhadolc and Ellinor von Kaufungen ▶▶



About sixty years ago Trentino-Alto Adige was one of the poorest areas in Italy. Today the three winter months bring in all the money the province needs for the whole year. This does not mean that people just wait nine months to have something to do.

All kinds of festivals and activities have been arranged to the tourists who know the area from winter and want to see what all that beauty looks like in summer. Of own experience I may assure that it does not get any worse.

In winter one could almost forget skiing and just enjoy the scenery. On the other hand the scenery is so opera-like that it demands dramatic action.

In hunt for young downhill stars the Italian Union of Skiers has funded the small villages to help them update their ski resorts. Those who most benefit from this are us tourists.

During Sellaronda - the 27 km ski safari around the mountain we could notice the environmentally healthy fact that no tourist resorts have been built on the mountains.

Instead all the tourists live in the original old villages and reach the ski areas by car or ski bus. However, the tight net of modern ski lifts ensures quick transport.

The round and trips to other resorts outside the round gave a very good idea of the enormous skiing potential.

The chosen ones

As usual in recent years some 200 SCIJers gathered in the little village of Stava between Tesero and Pampago ski area of the Latemar mountains. Our group was divided in three hotels the biggest and nearest to the slopes being Hotel Shandrani. In Shandrani we also had the whole official program from General Assembly to Nation's evening. Usually this is where most of the unofficial program took place, too.

RESULTS	Women	Men
Giant slalom	1. Maja Ros (SLO) 2. Maxia Zandorai (ITA) 3. Barbara Jerman (SLO)	1. Ralf Scheuerer (GER) 2. Miguel Aquiso (SUI) 3. Alberto Faustini (ITA)
Cross country	1. Maja Ros (SLO) 2. Barbara Jerman (SLO) 3. Kerstin Eckstein (GER)	1. Ralf Scheuerer (GER) 2. Uros Korbar (SLO) 3. Miroslav Parobek (SLK)
Combination	1. Maja Ros (SLO) 2. Barbara Jerman (SLO) 3. Kerstin Eckstein (GER)	1. Ralf Scheuerer (GER) 2. Miguel Aquiso (SUI) 3. Miroslav Parobek (SLK)

RESULTS	Women senior	Men senior
Giant slalom	1. Marjeta Sostaric SLO 2. Ivana Suhadolc ITA 3. Ellinor von Kauffungen SUI	1. Luigi Spaggiante ITA 2. Gregor Pucelj SLO 3. Wolfgang Ebner AUT
Cross country	1. Ivana Suhadolc ITA 2. Marjeta Sostaric SLO 3. Ellinor von Kauffungen SUI	1. Gregor Pucelj SLO 2. Martin Smith CAN 3. Olof Rytövaara FIN
Combination	1. Marjeta Sostaric SLO 2. Ivana Suhadolc ITA 3. Ellinor von Kauffungen SUI	1. Gregor Pucelj SLO 2. Luigi Scaggianti ITA 3. Corrado Giustiniani ITA

RESULTS	Women super senior	Men super senior
Giant slalom	1. Cuca Campana ESP 2. Mirjana Sosic CRO 3. Montse Campana ESP	1. Franz Goritschnig AUT 2. Franco Sitton ITA 3. Sepp Thayer GER
Cross country	1. Terttu Levenon FIN 2. Agneta Bolme-Börjefors SWE 3. Mirjana Sosic CRO	1. Franco Sitton ITA 2. Dusan Rogel SLK 3. Sepp Thayer GER
Combination	1. Cuca Campana ESP 2. Mirjana Sosic CRO 3. Agneta Bolme-Börjefors SWEp.	1. Franco Sitton ITA 2. Sepp Thayer GER 3. Franz Goritschnig AUT

Beppe Ernani, the lazy president with lots of teeth and wavy hair. Rare attitude for an Italian: considered our races a joke! ▶

Agneta Bolme-Börjefors ▶▶

Grand Slalom

Our GS race took place Pampeago. Everybody had to ski the same 1200 meter track, which didn't seem to be too demanding to anyone. After a steepish start a long and slow part gave a chance to relax and collect power for last steep part.



- ▲▲ Fabulous opening ceremony
- ▶▶ Ivana Suhadolc and Franco Sitton
- ▶ Kristin Flood and ?
- ◀ The Italian SCIJ rescue group

- ▲▲▲ Cavalese village
- ▲▲ Kjell Malmberg
- ▲ Lunch at slope restaurant somewhere on Latemar ski area

Cross Country

In Val di Fiemme we had the opportunity to ski the race trail of the Lago di Tesero ski stadium. The trails had been prepared for a Nordic Combined competition. On the same trails The Nordic Skiing WC races were to take place in 2003

Clouds

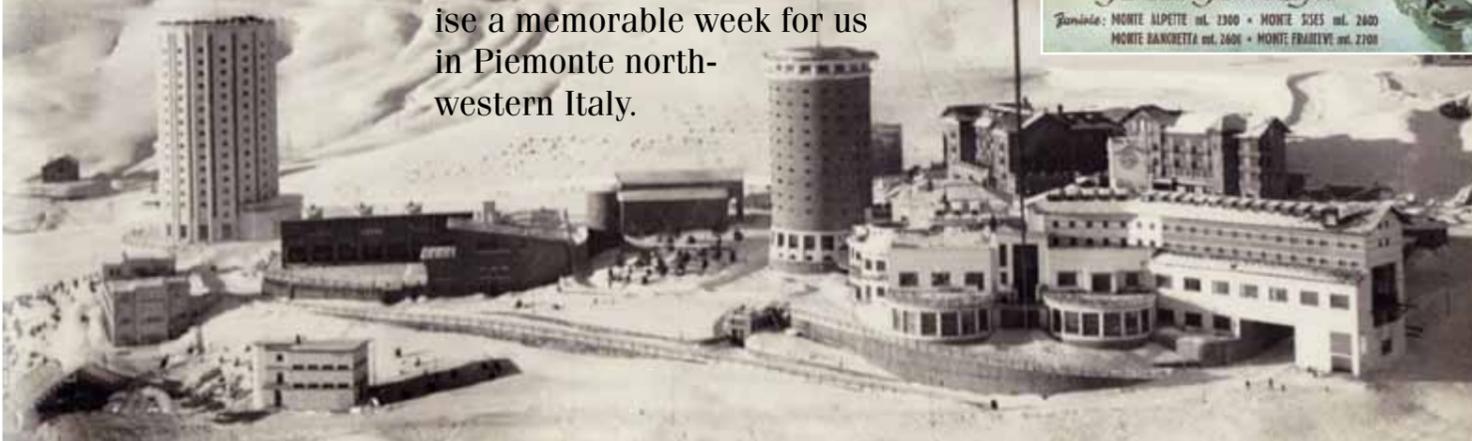
In spite of the cloudless sky we enjoyed the whole week some clouds had gathered on the future plans of S.C.I.J. As result of some changes in the Lake Tahoe management our meeting there has been cancelled or at least postponed. Once again, the Italian ski patrol rescued us, this time to Sestriere.

International Committee

Some changes happened in the IC. Ginette Lamarche gave up her job as the manager of intellectual activities in our meetings and Franco Sitton as technical advisor. they were replaced by Agneta Bolme-Börjefors and Uros Sostaric.

Sestriere, Italia 2002

YES. Italy's team did it again. Without a place where to meet, ski and party together, SCIJ was facing a boring winter. Don't know who the primus motor was, but incredible work was done in equally incredible time to organise a memorable week for us in Piemonte north-western Italy.



- ▶ Museum Cinema
- ▶ Restaurant San Giorgio ▲
- ◀ La Fontana dei Dodici Mesi
- ▶ Borgo Medievale, copy of a medieval castle was built in 1884 to to a pavilion for the International Exhibition.
- ▶ Post tourers
- ▶ A Pinocchio mural
- ▶▶ in Vernante ▶



My own memories from Turin were from 34 years back, when I slept in our car at a Agip petrol station. We had crossed the Alps in the dark hours and hit a rock that broke both a tyre and a shock absorber. The tyre we changed but for the other we could do nothing. We crossed the Alps at night because our Ford Zodiac started breathing steam under its heavy load of three men and luggage plus a trailer with two motorcycles, spare tyres, extra petrol tank etc. At five o'clock a million Vespas and Fiat 500-600s woke us up. We figured out that they were on the way to work at car factories. That was all there was to know about Turin before this winter. How wrong had I been. Turin appeared to be a beautiful and interesting city. I usually have a terrible urge to hit the slopes and was a bit annoyed about the delay of getting there. But staying at the lowlands certainly paid off. Winter isn't the best time for sight seeing in a city, but getting around in Turin made one think what everything might look like in summer. I bet quite a few of us will find that out some day.

The Synagogue of Movin Images

I am truly grateful to the Jewish congregation for not approving to the design of the new synagogue. The city's important men showed foresight by buying the peculiar building the Museum of Independence of it and finally in 2000 the Museum of Cinema.

Sanctuary of Culinarism

As pleasing as the museum was to one's cultural taste was

the restaurant San Giorgio to one's culinary taste. Between river Po and the fake Medieval Castle, the old restaurant offered us foretaste of what was to be expected of the rest of the week. Last year's SCIJ meeting in Val di Fiemme ▶

Some skiing, too

Vias Lattea, Milky Way, as the main skiing area is called consists of four resorts: Sausse d'Oulx, Sansicario, Cesana, Sestriere, Claviere and Montgenevre. You can take the Gran Comba and Chadonne lifts up to Eastern Sausse d'Oulx and go on from slope to lift to slope to lift to slope and so on through 92 lifts and 140 slopes until you reach the westernmost corner in Montgenevre. You will have crossed 400 km of slopes if you did not turn once. Doing those turns typical to alpine skiing you will have increased your journey considerably.

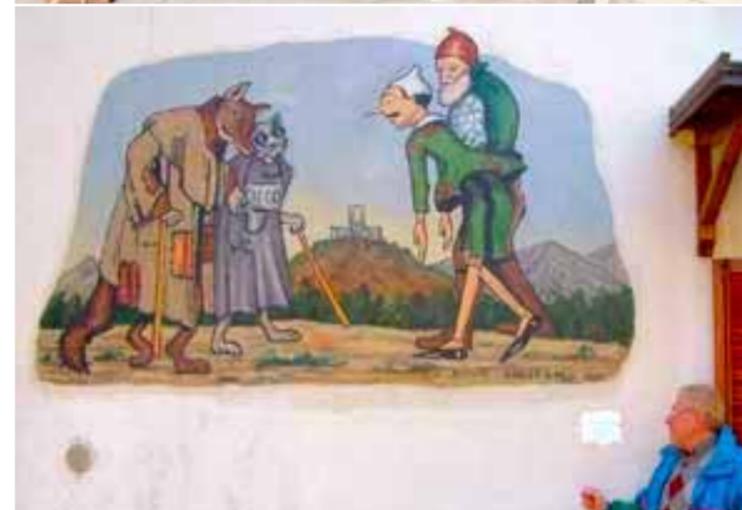
Super-super-SL

Our championship race took place on the FIS super slalom slope and the track was shorter than usual. At the first check-up the steep part looked a bit... steep, but as usual, when you have a starting number on you and you hear "GO" the track is not bad and after a few turns and a few mistakes the whole thing is over.

Yes, it's over, and very few of us will stand on the podium, but the rest will not. Not ever! Well, let's see next year. Anyway, winning is not important, but it's always nice to buy a beer to the next guy.

CCR

Usually CCR means Creedence Cleawater Revival, but in this context. Or maybe a little. The CC ski trail consisted of 3



km climbing on the left side of a narrow cleawater river. After crossing a bridge you squatted in the egg position and slid another 3 km at the speed of 50 km/h. Had someone fallen on a blind curve in front of you, you would have ended up in the river. Well, no-one did, but wasn't it a nice thought? Anyway, the day was sunny and warm in the windless valley and the atmosphere was more like on a family picnic. The traditional Dutch pea soup and hot wine hid the bitterness of losing and nobody really cared who won except the winners.

Post tour

Some skiing was squeezed between endless lunches and dinners. Several courses even for lunch and always a suitable wine with each course. Sometimes we had to hurry from the lunch to get to the dinner on time. Even though the Italians are used to have their dinner much later than we more northern SCIJers.

However, in Cuneo we had time to visit an old church, and do some shopping at the market. Cuneo's centre is built like that of Turin. On a rainy day, you don't get wet except when crossing a street.

We also visited a small town called Vernante, famous for Pinocchio murals and festival. After all this we had time to ski at Limone Piemonte, one of the oldest and at a time finest ski resorts in Italy. The town was full of fine hotels and great restaurants. We dined in one recommended in Michelin catalogue.

The ski area had well prepared slopes, but the ski lifts were out of date. A double chair lift to from centre to the ski area. However, our skiing guide was an owner of the ski school. He was also the communist mayor and a surgeon in a Cuneo hospital of Limone

Les Diablerets, Suisse 2003



Friday the 14 of March we "Brothers and Sisters on Skis" in Europe and America are packing our skiing gear and clothes and head for Les Diablerets and skiing competitions. At the same time in Kuwait "Brothers in Arms" of the allied troops get ready for a more serious race to Baghdad.

With mixed feelings we travel by car, by train, by plane and arrive in Switzerland.

Seeing the mountains covered with snow through the aeroplane windows puts the thoughts of war somewhere in the background.

Geneva welcomes us and a fast train takes us in first class along the beautiful coastline of lake Geneva through Lausanne, Vevey and Montreaux.

In Aigle we change to a smaller train that heads for the mountains, passes tunnels and crosses bridges climbing higher and higher. Hepaticas and snowdrops bloom, birds sing and the sun shines hot but not a patch of snow can be seen. Are we too late? Is spring too early? Well, there's always the glacier.

We reach the small station and, surprise!, the valley is white with snow. The shuttles take us to Hotel Victoria where the early birds warmly welcome us. Little later, after unpacking we rejoin the others in the lobby. This is one of the best moments of the week. Welcoming old friends and newcomers in the lobby. Lots of hugs and kisses on the cheeks.

Sunday wakes up as sunny as one could hope.

To our surprise the road in front of the hotel is full of Swiss Army vehicles. Military action is not in question, but our transportation to the 125 person Glacier gondola.

Starting a ski week at 3000 m above the sea level is shock treatment at least to the lowlanders. That is: most of us. However, we are so well trained sportsmen that nobody passes out. A bleeding nose is the only wound among us.

In the evening the General Assembly gives a new period to the vice presidents Helga Dingova and Uli Ritter.

Afterwards the Nations Evening fills us with international peculiarities in the form of food and drink and later the disco beat goes on and on and on...

The sunny Monday

takes us to the near-by slopes between Les Diablerets and Bretaye. Conditions are almost summer-like. Snow is soft and sun-block is more than obligatory.

In the afternoon a representative of our main sponsor Adecco tells us about how they find jobs for ex-athletes. Well, also to thousands of other. Wonder if there's hope for ex-SCIJ-members, too.

When the moon replaces the sun in the sky we enjoy the fondue and then ski down to the valley in a torch convoy.

At first skiing in the moonlight is exciting and fun, but in the end when the snow cover gets thinner our skis screech in pain when crossing little loose stones.

At night president Bush gives a 48 hour warning to Iraq.

Tuesday is the day of the great GS race.

In the morning the slope looks steep, long, hard, icy - all in one - interesting to some, frightening to others.

In the race the champions stand out quite clearly, but af-

Competition results

Cross country	2. Elinor von Kaufungen SUI 1. Ivana Suhadolc ITA 3. Viera Avsic SLO	2. Olaf Rytovaara FIN 1. Tina Guzej SLO 3. Klaus Spalnhoff GER
Combined	1. Viera Avsic SLO 2. Margarethe Lachner AUT 3. Elinor von Kaufungen SUI	2. Tina Guzej SLO 1. Olaf Rytovaara FIN 3. Klaus Spalnhoff GER
Super Senior Ladies	2. Alice Luzzato Fega ITA 1. Natalie Lhoste FRA 3. Cucca Campana ESP	2. Wolfgang Greiner AUT 1. Thayer Sepp GER 3. Peter Weissensteiner AUT
Giant slalom	2. Alenka Leskovic SLO 1. Terttu Levonen FIN 3. Brita Kavanne FIN	2. Thayer Sepp GER 1. Franco Silton ITA 3. Jupp Suttner GER
Cross country	2. Alenka Leskovic SLO 1. Natalie Lhoste FRA 3. Terttu Levonen FIN	2. Franco Silton ITA 1. Thayer Sepp GER 3. Rauli Sormi FIN
Combined	2. Alenka Leskovic SLO 1. Natalie Lhoste FRA 3. Terttu Levonen FIN	2. Franco Silton ITA 1. Thayer Sepp GER 3. Rauli Sormi FIN



terwards the men's winner Tobias Thayer does not convince the organisers with his being a professional journalist working in major media and after three days he receives his prize in the guests category.

The fourth fastest man is disqualified for practising the race track.

After all the fuss Ralf Scheuerer is the winner by three seconds. Italy's Davide Labate is second and Switzerland's Simon Mathhey-Doret third.

The ladies' champion is as clear as she can be and there's

▲▲ For once junior men from the U.S. Probably CIA

▲ In the garden of the Chaplin family in Vevey



▶▶ The Slovakian team at the mind-blowing Glacier 3000
 ▶ Damion Simonises mind-blowing hat
 ◀ Mind-blowing Devil Keel at Glacier 3000



▲ Nations' Evening: Slovenian sparkling wind and Italian pasta



▲ At Glacier 3000
 ▶ Safe transport to Glacier 3000



▲ Mindblowing H.R. Giger bar in Gruyere. H.R.G is the designer of the Alien shape.

◀ Minblowing traditional music outside Glacier 3000 bar

nothing to it. Italy's Elisa Calcamuggi beats Croatia's Nina Sossi by six seconds. Juliette Hall of the British Hall clan surprises all but her family by being third.

In the evening we meet Pierre-Yves Jorand of the victorious Swiss Alinghi sailing team. The coach and spy of the first European boat to win the America's Cup tells us about the race and the preparations for it. A quick-tempo film illustrates the story and gives an exciting feeling of the hectic atmosphere of the race.

On Wednesday morning Army lorries take us to Leysin and its six-man gondolas.

Long interestingly winding slopes lead us back to the village. But the sad truth is that we are here a month too late. The snow on the lower slopes is slushy.

However the off-pistes all around seem to have been an endless playground for enthusiastic skiers.

We enjoy lunch, alpenhorn music and a 360 degrees view of the Alps in an incredible rotating glass-tower restaurant. After lunch one of the slopes is closed because of avalanche danger, but the slope nearest to the restaurant stays in excellent condition. Some of us spend the afternoon sledding in the snow park. An enjoyable dinner in various nice little restaurants all around the village of Les Diablerets ends another satisfying skiing day.

At 4.30 CET the allied troops invade Iraq.

Thursday is the day of the great CC race

Skis have been waxed through the night but hot sun changes the trails so quickly that only tarot cards can tell the right waxing.

Slide O.K. but not enough hold. Harder clister or blue stick? Snow's getting wet, slide gets worse.

The start puts an end to all the pondering; the champions are champions no matter what. Luckily the difficult snow gives enough excuses to the others.

Germany's Kerstin Eckstein is the cross country queen and Karolina Beranova from Czech Republic and Italys Elisa Calcamuggi her princesses.

Germany's Ralf Scheuerer is the king and Switzerland's Simon Mathhey-Doret and Poland's Borkowski (great name for a skier) his knights.

In the afternoon some twenty of us have the chance to meet and interview Michael Chaplin in Charlie Chaplin's house in Vevey. Michael turns out to be a very pleasant man, telling us about his plans of making the mansion a living Chaplin Museum.

Relaxation after the races keeps quite a few people awake rather long. It's always great to see the sun rise from behind the mountains when just drawing or drawing back the curtains.

Most people spend Friday morning on the slopes between Les Diablerettes and Bretaye or Glacier 3000.

In the afternoon our Think Tank organises a discussion forum on war and media. Colleagues from all over the world exchange their experiences on media coverage in this terrible time.

The "Winds of Hope" foundation later collects us once more in the congress hall. We learn about a horrible, but little known disease called NOMA. Two very brave men, Bertrand Piccard and Brian Jones, after circumnavigating the world in a balloon, use their fame to raise awareness of this forgotten sickness.

The last dinner party in Hotel Victoria mixes happy togeth-

erness and melancholy of parting. Lots of hugs and kisses on the cheeks. Some people we shall meet next year, some people maybe never again.

On Saturday it's all over for most and thoughts of work start to creep in. The meeting is over but the war in Iraq has just begun. Let's all hope it's been over for a long time when we meet again in Alpe d'Huez next year.

Post tour to Neuchatel and Gruyere

I promised to drive one of the two Kia Minivans. O.K. otherwise but our first visit was winetasting.

On nexy stop I had my fair share of chocolate. Then we went to the nice little town of Gruyere. Didn't have cheese, but had coffee in a creepy new Alien bar and shivers in the H.R. Giger exhibition on the other side of the street.

Our hotel was a real treat; several huts on water of the Lake Neuchatel. Every hut had a jetty and stairs to the lake. I was the only one who had swam.

The dinner was another treat. First course was truffel prepared in four different ways. Wines accordingly.

Alpe d'Huez, France 2004

"The meeting is over but the war in Iraq has just begun. Let's all hope it's been over for a long time when we meet again in Alpe d'Huez next year." These were the finishing sentences of my report on Les Diablerets last year. The traditional war is over, all right, but the modern war goes on and on.

Allons, enfants de la liberté d'expression

Bien sûr, citoyenne, mais une armée de journalistes marche avec son estomac



Anyone of us could have written a better screenplay. We could have, by the old Greek Olympic tradition, declared cease-fire during the SCIJ ski week.

Even a better idea would be cease-fire during the rest of the year and open hostilities during the ski week. Then we didn't have to write about war at all. Others would do it.

Regardless of the continuous hostilities close to the homes of some of us we gathered in the peaceful plateau of Alpe d'Huez.

Like so many times, Mother Nature gave us a special treatment by letting the sunshine in the blue sky raising the temperatures to spring levels. Who says the press isn't being fawned on.

Saturday • Wish to have been there

The opening ceremony was great, I've heard. Because of flight delays, landslide and getting lost (we almost found ourselves in les Deux Alpes) our busload among others missed the whole spectacle.

Happy re-union with old and even older friends in the lobby of the hotel and the nearby pub compensated the loss.

Sunday • Up, up and away

SCIJ brought the spring in Alpe d'Huez.

At least, if one believes the locals, the previous week had been cold, cloudy and windy. The snow was bad and there wasn't enough of it.

Whatever the truth, we walked the sunny side of the street past an outdoor pool and an ice-rink to horizontal ski lifts. We must've

looked like bunches of French breads standing in the shopping-basket-like ski lifts swaying towards Rond Point des Pistes. RPDp is like an airport, where a dozen ski lifts speed people up wherever they desired. We followed my grand mother's old rite: always aim to the top, life will drop you to your rightful position. So, Pic Blanc at 3330 m was our aim and certainly worth it. The sunny Sunday had wheedled the population of a small town into queuing here but finally we got to the final lift and reached the final top of A d'H.

The sunny and windless weather would have tempted us to stay longer up there at the breathtaking view (or was it just the altitude), but we had some serious skiing to do. Sarenne was the name of the slope and her measures were remarkable: 18,75 kilometers with vertical drop of 1500 meters. The slope was marked black but steep and gentler parts took turns so nicely that even the not-so-obsessed skiers seemed to enjoy it.

Wizzardry of Oz. General Assembly

Back to the village and up again with the same 1er Tronçon ski lift we started the way with and then let our stomachs lead the way down to the little village of Oz en Oisans and lunch.

The General Assembly in Alpe d'Huez voted on Jaume Castell's proposal on expanding the number of categories in SCIJ. Jaume's idea, was to follow the FIS rules and have six different categories for the SCIJ races. The debate was long and detailed.

Finally, three different proposals were put to vote:

1. the German compromise suggested to raise the number of

categories to five (one up to 39 years of age, one up to 49, one up to 59, one up to 69 and finally one over 70) and got 4 votes;

2. the Bulgarian proposal to have 4 categories (up to 44, up to 54, up to 64 and over 65) also got 4 votes;

3. the Finnish proposal to keep things as they are, i.e. have three categories (up to 44, up to 54 and one over 55), received a majority of 19 votes.

One country abstained and five were not present.

Please note that the Finnish proposal included a suggestion to study a mechanism of handicaps to integrate the super-senior category. The system is in use at least in American Nastar or the Finnish SuomiSlalom. Anyone interested can put forward new ideas on how to do this. If we get enough feedback and concrete proposals, we shall put them to vote at our next GA in Jeseniky!

Nation's Evening crowned the fine day.

Then we admired new Jaguar cars, whose PR tour was to bring 200 motoring journalists to the Alps.

Our bus driver was reluctant to drive that road, but in Tour de France they cycle up there ▶

Monday • Icy Egyptian sculptures

Monday started about like the day before, but we stopped at Lac Blanc, had a stand-up coffee and peeped into Grotte de Glace and wondered the icy wonders of a frozen mini-size British Museum full of glittery Egyptian sculptures and reliefs. Lunch was offered in the old village Vayjany, by the City Council.

In the evening the conference about Irak, a year later: results and perspectives were scanned.

Dinner and dance finished another fine day. However, probably two busy days in the high altitude had taken the best energy of the partiers.

Tuesday. Holyly tipsy

Tuesday presented us with another wonderful day. No wonder not everyone left for the Rossignol factory ans museum at 1.45.

Later in the evening more busses left for the largest liqueur cellar in the world, that of Chartreuse.

Endles rows of impressive barrels of herb liqueur and old copper distil equipment were beautiful, but we faced one disappointment. Not one monk was in sight. Two of them sit in their office twenty kilometres from the cellars and control the distilling process by computer!

A 3-D movie by famous film director Robert Hossein about the founding of the first Cartusian monastery was the highlight of our visit. Well, snacks and drinks in the monastery's bar weren't really lowlight either.

Fortyfive years ago Canada's Eric Durschmied won grand slalom by twelve seconds. Great to have him and other veterans in Alpe d'Huez.

Wednesday • Physical and mental culture

"A Day At the races" and "A Night At the Opera". We didn't quite follow the Marx Brothers' themes. The races yes, but night was at the concert in the beautiful Notre-Dame des Neiges.

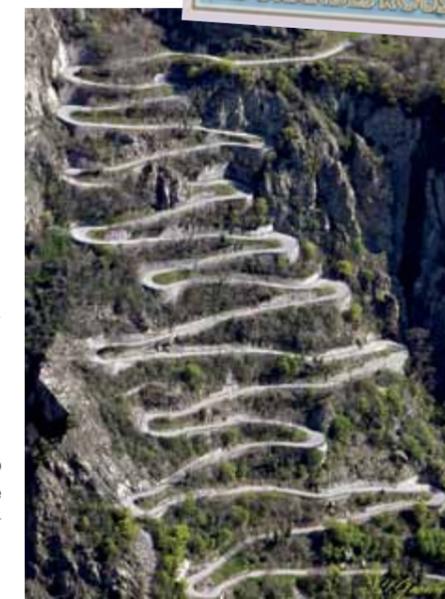
Usually the race means mostly waiting for one's turn. Sometimes the weather is cold and cloudy. Sometimes the slope is steep, icy and frightening. This time nothing was like that. The atmosphere during the race was more like a carnival, more relaxed. To most people the result didn't even seem to matter so much. Having great time with all the friends in great weather.

Well, of course, some racers were faster then others: Elisa Calgamucci, Maja Ros and Nina Sossi of ladies and Ralf Scheuerer, Radu Savin and Denis Clerc of men. Elisa Calgamucci was the fastest of us all.

Olympics. Our future. Singing feet. Igloo night.

Too bad the carnival had to be cut short, but we just couldn't keep Bertrand Delanoë, the mayor of Paris waiting. The mayor kindly presented us the Paris' plans of how to organize the 2012 Olympic Games.

The excellent lunch with regional products offered by the Isère Area Committee of Tourism was certainly worth the price we





▶ **Sidney Maher's (at right) ▲ Destroyed**
time 1h4:53 for 5 km will **▲ snow flow**
stay unbeatable for ever **away as water**
▲ La Folie Douce, excellent **in a creek**
▲ food since 1967
▲▼ Pensioned members were invited, too



paid by not spending the sunny afternoon on the slopes.

Inside activities went on in form of the SCIJ Think Tank about the future of SCIJ.

Agneta Bolme-Börjefors is preparing a full report on the discussion that run riot and had to be cut short and give place to "the Night at the Concert".

Jean-Paul Imbert, the organist gave us a great concert in memoriam of Gilles de la Rocque. The maestro's ballet on the foot keys caused some giggle. One doesn't often see comprehensive live show of an organist.

Any reasonable SCIJ member would have called it a day, but no, more was to come. A gondola lift ride from the Bergers took us to the Marmottes restaurant where Eutelsat offered us an excellent dinner. Then we could call it a day.

Well, not all of us. Some wild ones had decided to spend the night in an igloo. Barry Moore told us that he fell asleep at four o'clock. That's no news in a SCIJ meeting, but there were separate igloos for ladies and gentlemen .

Thursday • Modern and historical revolutionaries

The weather and skiing didn't get one bit worse on Thursday, on the contrary.

Lunch with Pedro Lamy, the European Commissioner on trade was the only but welcome break in a perfect skiing day.

At 4 PM busses took us to Vizille and to two very different experiences: The Minatec project and The Museum of the French Revolution.

The term "MINATEC" is a contraction of "MICro and Nano TECHNOlogies". Microtechnologies (working at micron level: one thousandth of a millimetre) will tomorrow come up against technological and physical limits.

It can only be surpassed by the use of nanotechnologies (the prefix "nano" indicates one millionth of a millimetre). The objective is to reduce technology to one thousandth of that of current technology, which means working with dimensions approaching the atomic scale.

The Isere General Council is the Minatec project owner and is

Podium	Femmes Juniors Junior Ladies	Hommes Juniors Junior Men
Slalom Geant Giant slalom	2. Maja Ros (SLO) 1. Elisa Calcamuggi (ITA) 3. Nina Sossi (CRO)	2. Radu Savin (RUM) 1. Ralf Scheuerer (GER) 3. Denis Clerc (FRA)
Ski de Fond Cross country	2. Elisabet Frerot (SWE) 1. Helena Blomqvist (SWE) 3. Maja Ros (SLO)	2. Tor Nodal (NOR) 1. Ralf Scheuerer (GER) 3. Denis Clerc (FRA)
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Slalom Geant Giant slalom	2. Marjeta Sostaric (SLO) 1. Magdalena Iwinska (POL) 3. Isabella Villa (ITA)	2. Olof Rytövaara (FIN) 1. Kjell Malmberg (SWE) 3. Gregor Pucej (SLO)
Ski de fond Cross country	2. Ivana Suhadolc (ITA) 1. Neva Blazetic (SLO) 3. Marjeta Sostaric (SLO)	2. Petr Kubka (CZ) 1. Gregor Pucej (SLO) 3. Olof Rytövaara (FIN)
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Slalom Geant Giant slalom	2. Natalie Lhoste (FRA) 1. Maria Tolnayova (SLO) 3. Albina Podbevsek (SLO)	2. Josef Thayer (GER) 1. Franz Goritschnig (AUT) 3. Corrado Giustiniani (ITA)
Ski de Fond Cross country	2. Terttu Levenon (FIN) 1. Katja Ros (SLO) 3. Britta Kavanne (FIN)	2. Franco Sitton (ITA) 1. Veikko Niemi (FIN) 3. Dusan Rogel (SLO)
Combiné Combined	3. Albina Podbevsek (SLO) 1. Katja Ros (SLO) 3. Natalie Lhoste (FRA)	2. Franz Goritschnig (AUT) 1. Josef Thayer (GER) 3. Peter Weissensteiner (AUT)



Unbeatable MSS Franco Sitton ▲▲

Radu Savin demonstrates how warm it is ▲

A dummy of a monk of La Grand Charreuse monastery distills liqueur that heals anything ▲



overseeing the construction of around 44,000 square metres of new building space for this innovation centre.

The huge, painting of the Revolution Museum gave us a vivid impression of the terror and the despair of it's victims. The dinner given by the general counsel of Isere was a bit hard to swallow.

A short nap during the two hour drive back to Alpe d'Huez seemed to have freshened up us because quite a few of us appeared in the Sporting disco. Even some champion candidates were there even though the cross-country race was due on Friday.

Another great carnival day did we have with some program on skis. Of course, for the best skiers competition is competition and champions are champions. Sweden's Helena Blomqvist and Elisabet Frerot followed by Slovenia's Maja Ros took the ladies' medals and Germany's Ralf Scheuerer, Norway's Tor Nodal and France's Denis Clerc those of men.

However, the real togetherness came from having vin chaud and famous Dutch pea soup and following the last skiers last hundred meters. Sidney Maher's 1h4:53.70 will be as unbeatable a result as Michael Schumacher's 6 WCs in F1.

Lunch at the Le Taburle created such a relaxed feeling, that quite a few of us called it a week, what it comes to skiing. Jeseniky in Czech Republic presented us a quite different meeting from that of Alpe d'Huez. Different, but interesting.

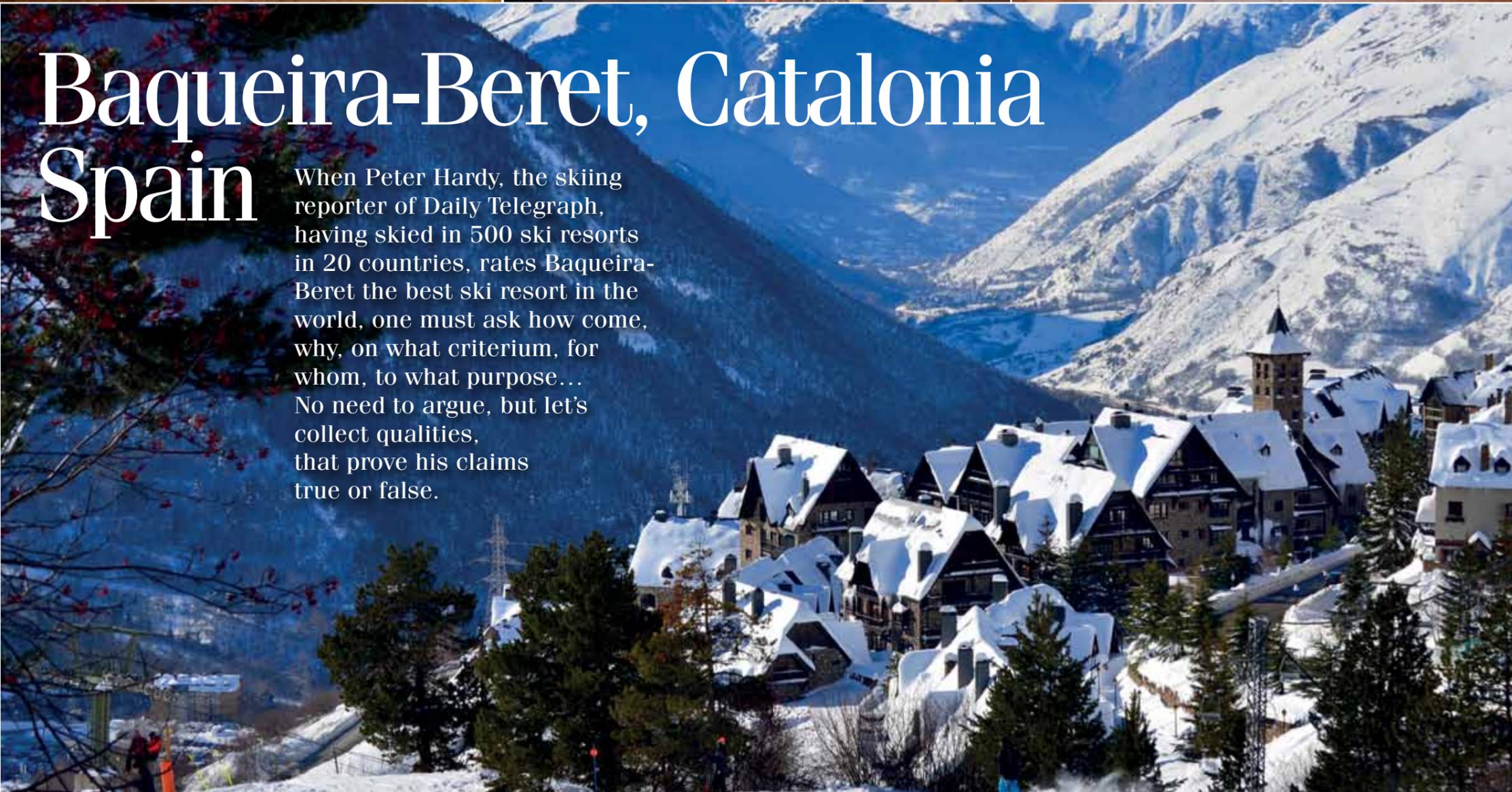
Price giving at the Palais of Sport and Congrès was as festive as ever. The sponsors had been very generous. There seemed to be no end with the prices and presents.

On Saturday our this is over, but not the one in Near East.



Baqueira-Beret, Catalonia Spain

When Peter Hardy, the skiing reporter of Daily Telegraph, having skied in 500 ski resorts in 20 countries, rates Baqueira-Beret the best ski resort in the world, one must ask how come, why, on what criterium, for whom, to what purpose... No need to argue, but let's collect qualities, that prove his claims true or false.



Skiing brilliance even on budget budget

1. Skilift tickets

The one-week lift-ticket is 20-35 % cheaper than in Val d'Isere, probably the most popular ski resort in France. The number of slopes is about the same.

2. Snow certainty

Just before Christmas 36 slopes were open in B-B-B. People ski when Val d'Isere is waiting for snow. In Val d'Isere all slopes were closed.

When the resort was closed last spring, the snow depth was four meter at deepest.

The Pyrenees tent to rob the snow meant for the Alps. The heavy clouds, ordered to bring snow to the Alps are not ably ti climb over Pyrenees, but unloas thei load on them. Mid-December three slopes were open in Sestriere, even through it's among the first resorts to receive the clouds from the Atlantic ocean.

Hardly any boring slopes

3. The slopes

The scenery is multiform. The slopes begin from five mountain tops between 1500 and 2656 m and they meander and wheel in three different areas.

Most of the slopes certainly pleas the intemediate skier, but there are 16 demanding, so-called black pistes, of them even 6 so-called double-diamonds, not for anyone.

A great way to call it a day is to ski 1000 m vertical drop fro the top of Baqueira byt joining the red slopes Mirador, Stadium and Baqueira (some 4000 m). An easier route from the same top, but joining Cara Nord and Dera Cascada sums 5900 m.

One can ski all the way to the village from all the 35 slopes of Baqueira. One skilift is required from Beret and two from Bonaigua.

Even marked off-pistes and heli-ski

4. Freeski

Vast off-piste areas surround the prepared slopes and are easily reached from the upper ski lift stations. Skiing the winding slope from the top of the Llanca ski lift in Bonagua one can, before every turn, take a 200-meter shortcut though an off-piste and return to the prepared slope.

If you want more challenge, head for the top of Cap de Baqueira. Then take Escornacrabes (Where the Goats Stumble). It's a so called marked off-piste.

Crossing the edge is rewarded by horror, feelings of succeeding and proud self-congratulatory in after-ski.



Ski instruction in English at the side of the re-union plaza.

5. Ski school

Ski schools are at the top valley of the gondola ski lift. Let's call it the re-union plaza. Two restaurants, a café, a ski rental and ski service can be found there.

It's also accessible non-stop from most slopes. That makes it easy for family members of friends with different skiing skills to stay in contact, no matter where you skied, be it ski school, blue, red, black or off-piste.

By bus from Barcelona or rent-a-car from Toulouse

6. Connections

Tens of tour operators bring skiers to B-B-B, but flight to Toulouse and rent-a-car is good choice. It gives you a chance to visit many interesting places in Aran Valley.

180 km from Toulouse airport is not a long transfer. It's exciting to follow the trail that the partisans used when bringing Jews to safety during the German occupation in France.

The buss trip from Barcelona airport took four hours. In March the first half our trip went on was decorated with floral splendour of spring. Our mid-way café rose from an orchard of apples. The latter half went around a canyon full of previous snow on the way to satisfy need of drinking water of the seaside.

In bunk bed in 6-p room or alone under five stars

7. Accommodation

Baqueira is full of architecture of the fifties like most of the western Alps, but hotels have been renovated to meet the demands of today's tourists.

All the hotels stand close to the gondola ski lift or the Tuf-Tuf street train.

In lower village a new centre has been raised in more American style. It includes 4 and 5 star hotels, restaurants and congress spaces.

Right beneath Baqueira is a small village of granite houses of decent size. Even the royal family has it's chalet there. The elegant village is more than just suitable to the mountain scenery. Four kilometres south of Baqueira there's the Saldro village. In a small hotel or restaurant you find original mountain atmosphere. The free ski bus takes you to Baqueira and back. My choice on my next visit.

Right timing is the key word

8. Nourishment

18 slope restaurants or cafes. 37 restaurants in the Baqueira village. In Vielha, 14 km from Baqueira one has more choices



concerning dining and accommodation.

For some 9 € one gets a three-piece dinner and a bottle of wine costs 5 €.

The Spanish like the Italian hit the slopes after 10 AM and start their lunch at 2-5 PM. So in the morning and afternoon there's much space for skiing.

For dinner they go after 9 PM, so it's wise to enter a restaurant round 8 PM.

Before that you have nothing else to bite but your nails.

By buss Tuf-Tuf you get anywhere

9. In-site traffic.

From Vielha a communal bus carries skiers to a huge parking area, where the Tuf-Tuf street train takes them to the gondola. Same thing if you come by your own car. They say there are

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1 ROS, Maja 1973 FRA 45.90	1 BIZJAK, Marita 1987 SLO 2 2 4	1 ROS, Maja 1973 FRA 45.90	1 MOONIK, Blaz 1973 ITA 53.16	1 MOONIK, Blaz 1977 SLO 54.80	1 MOONIK, Blaz 1977 SLO 54.80
2 RDS, Maja 1974 SLO 47.42	2 RDS, Maja 1974 SLO 47.42	2 WINDLANT, Andre 1974 SUI 3 3 6	2 MOONIK, Blaz 1975 CZE 54.37	2 MOONIK, Blaz 1975 CZE 54.37	2 MOONIK, Blaz 1975 CZE 54.37
3 FOURNIER, Anne 1986 CE 48.96	3 FOURNIER, Anne 1986 CE 48.96	3 FOURNIER, Anne 1986 CE 48.96	3 LINGAR, Christophe 1976 SLO 55.29	3 LINGAR, Christophe 1976 SLO 55.29	3 LINGAR, Christophe 1976 SLO 55.29
4 SALAKOVA, Linda 1974 ITA 49.13	4 FONTANA, Emmanuelle 1973 FRA 50.17	4 FONTANA, Emmanuelle 1973 FRA 50.17	4 JUS, David 1977 FRA 55.37	4 JUS, David 1977 FRA 55.37	4 JUS, David 1977 FRA 55.37
5 FONTANA, Emmanuelle 1973 FRA 50.17	5 SALAKOVA, Linda 1974 ITA 49.13	5 SALAKOVA, Linda 1974 ITA 49.13	5 MUSEVNIK, Aleksandr 1979 CAN 58.66	5 MUSEVNIK, Aleksandr 1979 CAN 58.66	5 MUSEVNIK, Aleksandr 1979 CAN 58.66
6 PERC, Bojana 1987 SLO 50.57	6 CAHEN, Anne-Laure 1978 FRA 51.59	6 CAHEN, Anne-Laure 1978 FRA 51.59	6 VANGHELIE, Ovidiu 1978 HUN 58.66	6 VANGHELIE, Ovidiu 1978 HUN 58.66	6 VANGHELIE, Ovidiu 1978 HUN 58.66
7 FONTANA, Emmanuelle 1973 FRA 50.17	7 LINQOYST, Mia 1974 SWE 51.79	7 LINQOYST, Mia 1974 SWE 51.79	7 JUS, David 1977 FRA 55.37	7 JUS, David 1977 FRA 55.37	7 JUS, David 1977 FRA 55.37
8 DRACOVA, Helena 1978 RUS 54.30	8 LINQOYST, Mia 1974 SWE 51.79	8 LINQOYST, Mia 1974 SWE 51.79	8 DANCI, Marius 1972 ROM 58.81	8 DANCI, Marius 1972 ROM 58.81	8 DANCI, Marius 1972 ROM 58.81
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13 STRAC, Barbara 1976 CRO 57.89	13 OVEGGAARD, Kjetilve 1981 DEN 11 11 25	13 LINQOYST, Mia 1974 SWE 51.79	13 SCHARF, Cathy 1973 DE 56.76	13 SCHARF, Cathy 1973 DE 56.76	13 SCHARF, Cathy 1973 DE 56.76
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16 DUBREUIL, Emilie 1975 CAN 100.26	16 BOLOVA, Dana 1976 CRO 57.89	16 BOLOVA, Dana 1976 CRO 57.89	16 SCHMITZ, Bruno 1984 BEL 102.80	16 SCHMITZ, Bruno 1984 BEL 102.80	16 SCHMITZ, Bruno 1984 BEL 102.80
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5 GÖDI, Barbara 1961 ITA 54.81	5 KJOLLER, Hanna 1965 SWE 6 5 11	5 KJOLLER, Hanna 1965 SWE 6 5 11	5 MAGNIN, Pascal 1970 GBR 56.90	5 MAGNIN, Pascal 1970 GBR 56.90	5 MAGNIN, Pascal 1970 GBR 56.90
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Female Super Senior	Cross Country	Com-	Male Super Senior	Cross Country	Combined
1 MALNAR-TRAVAS, Branika 1965 CRO 55.20	1 LUNAS, Teir 1956 SPA 3 1 4	1 LUNAS, Teir 1956 SPA 3 1 4	1 GARD, Francois 1948 SPA 52.80	1 BATTISTUTA, Miro 1957 SLO 1 1 1	1 GAY-COUTTET, Hubert 2 3 5
2 SOSTARIC, Margareta 1963 SLO 55.45	2 DUHARME, Anelke 1967 CAN 4 3 7	2 DUHARME, Anelke 1967 CAN 4 3 7	2 GAY-COUTTET, Hubert 1951 SUI 57.76	2 COELBERG, Axel 1948 SWE 2 3 6	2 COELBERG, Axel 1948 SWE 2 3 6
3 LUNAS, Teir 1956 SPA 57.81	3 JANKU, Jana 1962 CAN 5 11 16	3 JANKU, Jana 1962 CAN 5 11 16	3 KOREN, Dorko 1954 SLO 58.45	3 GAY-COUTTET, Hubert 1951 SUI 57.76	3 GAY-COUTTET, Hubert 1951 SUI 57.76
4 JANKU, Jana 1962 CAN 5 11 16	4 LAARACHE, Ghette 1963 CHN 7 2 8	4 LAARACHE, Ghette 1963 CHN 7 2 8	4 ODEBERG, Axel 1948 SWE 58.82	4 MALMSTEN, Anders 1958 SWE 4 5 11	4 MALMSTEN, Anders 1958 SWE 4 5 11
5 BUDAPE, Catherine 1963 FRA 100.75	5 KMETOVA-STANOVA, Olga 1963 CZE 8 11 17	5 KMETOVA-STANOVA, Olga 1963 CZE 8 11 17	5 NUSSE, Pierre 1948 FRA 100.90	5 FLAHDIG, Jean-Baptiste 1958 SUI 5 15	5 FLAHDIG, Jean-Baptiste 1958 SUI 5 15
6 RADEBARCHER, Wilma 1966 GER 103.84	6 JUKALU, Catherine 1963 FRA 100.75	6 JUKALU, Catherine 1963 FRA 100.75	6 KOPIC, Janelca 1957 SLO 103.94	6 MALMSTEN, Anders 1958 SWE 4 5 11	6 MALMSTEN, Anders 1958 SWE 4 5 11
7 DUHARME, Anelke 1967 CAN 104.45	7 MALNAR-TRAVAS, Branika 1965 CRO 11 9 20	7 MALNAR-TRAVAS, Branika 1965 CRO 11 9 20	7 BATTISTUTA, Miro 1957 SLO 103.94	7 NUSSE, Pierre 1948 FRA 100.90	7 NUSSE, Pierre 1948 FRA 100.90
8 ZIVEL, Elze 1960 SLO 104.45	8 ZIVEL, Elze 1960 SLO 104.45	8 ZIVEL, Elze 1960 SLO 104.45	8 CAMPAÑA, Antoni 1946 SPA 104.15	8 RICHEBE, Renaud 1961 CAN 8 12 18	8 RICHEBE, Renaud 1961 CAN 8 12 18
9 KMETOVA-STANOVA, Olga 1963 CZE 106.28	9 TOTH, Agnes 1949 HUN 12 12 24	9 TOTH, Agnes 1949 HUN 12 12 24	9 KINGELLA, Patrick 1950 IRL 104.20	9 SCHMAY, Pierre 1947 FIN 9 20 33	9 SCHMAY, Pierre 1947 FIN 9 20 33
10 MIA, Mercedes 1963 SPA 107.20	10 WENRET-WYAT, Rene 1951 USA 10 8 26	10 WENRET-WYAT, Rene 1951 USA 10 8 26	10 FLAHDIG, Jean-Baptiste 1958 SUI 104.27	10 KOPIC, Janelca 1957 SLO 103.94	10 KOPIC, Janelca 1957 SLO 103.94
11 TOTH, Agnes 1949 HUN 109.84	11 MARCZUK, Christine 1946 FRA 11 12 24	11 MARCZUK, Christine 1946 FRA 11 12 24	11 METTAN, Guy 1956 SUI 104.35	11 TORANGEAL, Pierre 1951 CAN 7 15 21	11 TORANGEAL, Pierre 1951 CAN 7 15 21
12 JANKU, Jana 1962 CAN 110.30	12 MARCZUK, Christine 1946 FRA 11 12 24	12 MARCZUK, Christine 1946 FRA 11 12 24	12 MALMSTEN, Anders 1958 SWE 105.81	12 RICHEBE, Renaud 1961 CAN 8 12 18	12 RICHEBE, Renaud 1961 CAN 8 12 18
13 CHODIA, Maria Luisa 1964 ITA 111.88	13 ZIVEL, Elze 1960 SLO 104.45	13 ZIVEL, Elze 1960 SLO 104.45	13 ODEBERG, Axel 1948 SWE 58.82	13 SCHMAY, Pierre 1947 FIN 9 20 33	13 SCHMAY, Pierre