



ISFR ELECTRONIC SNOW LINE MARCH 2013

TELLURIDE, COLORADO, USA, Feb. 2 - 9, 2013



120 Rotarians and guests from 7 countries attended the week long event featuring great skiing and numerous optional events including a welcome reception; radio station, power plant and museum tours; an art walk along Main Street, pub crawl; gala dinner and the always popular home hosted dinner by local Rotarians.

The week began with local Rotarians leading skiers on a tour of the vast, well-groomed, ski terrain. It was Super Bowl Sunday but local Rotarians did not allow the popular event to interfere with the home hosting although some made a TV available for the diehard football fans.

The Telluride museum is located in the former historic hospital building with some rooms remaining in the original state for visitors to appreciate the limited facilities available to mine workers of a century ago.

The peak to Valley Challenge was held on Wednesday followed by the joint Rotary Club meeting at the Legends of the Peak Resort in the upper village.

Local Radio Station KOTO is one of the few stations in America owned and operated by town residents. Without commercials funded strictly by donations from the 1800 townspeople and operated by volunteers the station has been operating since 1975. An interview with ISFR officers was broadcast on Thursday.

The Annual General Meeting was held in the historic Sheridan Opera House. Officers elected were President Tony Sheer from Australia, President-Elect Albert Morris of the USA, Secretary/Treasurer Lynne Beck with a number of Directors elected and/or re-elected. A full report of the AGM will be featured in the next issue.

The site for next year is Winter Park, Colorado, February 1 - 9, 2014, where ISFR will be celebrating its 40th anniversary.

Esio Marzotto

More Telluride photos are available at:

http://bighat.smugmug.com/ISFRPhotoGalleries/ISFR-Telluride-2013/28101255_Dps8vv#!i=2378767218&k=2MnR5RT

ST. CHRISTOPH, AUSTRIA, JAN. 20 – 27



The European ISFR Chapter took place at the Arlberg Hospiz Hotel, St Christoph near St Anton, Austria. The Hotel has a rich history, dating back to the 16 century when it served as a resting place for traders and travelers from the south to the north. The Werner Family runs the hotel with great dedication and professionalism. Presently Florian Werner is the Managing Director, he is a member of the Rotary Club Imst-Landeck.

Ninety Rotarians from 11 countries, including Australia, USA, and many from Slovenia attended the event. The weather was fair with about two full sunny days, two days with somewhat low visibility.

Perfect alpine snow conditions with good cruising slopes. The area is very extent and includes the slopes of St Anton, Stuben, Zürs and Lech. Skiing is possible from the slopes of St.Anton to Stuben or to the road where the bus takes you in 10 minutes to Zürs. Zürs and Lech and are connected via the ski slopes. Many skiers enjoyed these tours through Vor Arlberg.

Atmosphere/fellowship was enhanced, as we were all under one roof, there was no need for an additional meeting point. Participants gathered every afternoon after 4.00 pm in a special ISFR hospitality room, enjoying local drinks and snacks. The hotel offered various special features, apart from the excellent food and service and high standard accommodation. Florian Werner guided us around through his art gallery where peaces from his own hands and contemporary paintings were shown. The atmosphere encourages young artists to come to work there.

The wine cellar of the hotel is a real treasure full off 15 liter bottles of the finest French Chateaux. Rotarians and partners enjoyed the guided tour and wine tasting. Another unusual experience was the tasting trip in and around the kitchen, all covered wearing chef hats.

The giant slalom competition race was organized with 35 participants that enjoyed the splendid weather and snow conditions to accomplish their two runs.

As in other years we had a fine dinner at the mountain, this time in the Hospiz Alm only 200 meters away from the hotel. The gala diner was excellent and very much appreciated by all participants; entertainment included a speaker and quite an amusing prize presentation ceremony for winners of the giant slalom competition.

Regrettably we suffered two casualties, a broken shoulder resulting in one of the Swedish participants (Anders Wattström) to return home after the second day. Helena Princova from Slovenia stayed with us until the end of the week though with crutches to relieve her torn knee ligaments.

Erik Lammerts van Bueren

More St. Christoph photos are available at:

http://bigfat.smugmug.com/ISFRPhotoGalleries/ISFR-2013-St-Anton/28162900_xT8kfd#!i=2380815708&k=nzsLQRZ

DAVIS BOYD MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

What a week it was! As a fellowship we are truly special Rotarians. Our reach out to those who live in a world of darkness, genetic challenges, wheel chairs, cognitive and other issues makes the ISFR members unique among fellowships.

The Telluride Adaptive Sports Program team could not have been more welcoming and appreciative of all we do. We had the opportunity to see TASP instructors in action. They were visible not only by their work with the adaptive skiers but the identifiable jackets provided by our foundation. Since our last ski week at Telluride in 2004 we have continued dialogue and support of the Telluride adaptive program. Our thanks to Courtney for the après skis party, which gave us the opportunity to be with the adaptive skiers, including vets, and the TASP staff and feel their commitment to help a very special group of citizens.

The Davis Boyd Memorial Foundation is committed to making fun out of our fundraising efforts. The Peak to Valley Challenge was made more challenging by the weather and more fun at the end of the day at the TASP après ski party. A special thank you to all who participated in the Peak to Valley Challenge and thank you, too, for getting those pledges into Treasurer Joel Berman!

Brian Andersen



Adaptive ski day begins at Telluride

The following note was received from the Telluride Adaptive Sports Program:

Dear Esio:

It was a pleasure to meet you at the ISFR event last week in Telluride. I met so many wonderful folks throughout the week and can't thank you enough for the opportunity to be involved. We were thrilled to be the recipient of the Davis Boyd Memorial funds raised at the event and can't wait to show off the new TASP uniforms with the Rotary patch next season!

Best Wishes,

Courtney Stuechli

Director, Telluride Adaptive Sports Program

MEET YOUR NEW PRESIDENT

Tony and Prue Sheer live on the Mornington Peninsula on the Eastern side of Southern Australia in the state of Victoria. Tony and Prue have three grown children.

Tony grew up and was educated in Melbourne where he studied and worked in the hospitality industry before starting and managing his own businesses. Currently, Tony and Prue own and operate the Cape Schanck Light Station.

Members will remember Tony and Prue offering the DBMF auction item of holiday accommodation at the Light Station.



Tony is currently President of the Sorrento Rotary Club and has been ISFR's International Vice-President for Australasia prior to his term as President-Elect. Prue is also a member of the Sorrento Rotary Club.

INTERNATIONAL ROTARY CONVENTION LISBON PORTUGAL JUNE 23-26, 2013



The ISFR booth in the House of Friendship will be managed by Milos Kemyt.

We need your help. Members attending the convention and willing to help Milos greet prospective ISFR members are asked to write to him indicating the times you will be available to assist him, even an hour or two will be appreciated. And, it's a good place to meet other ISFR members.

The House of Friendship provides the single greatest opportunity for ISFR to attract new members.

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CALENDAR

Rotary International Convention, Lisbon, Portugal, June, 23-26

BAD KLEINKIRCHHEIM, AUSTRIA, January 18-25, 2014

WINTERPARK, COLORADO, February 1-8, 2014

For Details, www.isfrski.org/.

FROM THE EDITOR

Do you have a story or photo from Telluride or St. Christoph you would like to share with ISFR members in a future issue? Please send it to: esiom@shaw.ca.