



KEYSTONE, COLORADO

WRAP-UP

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We are back from Keystone Colorado and 60 Sly Fox and Gelandesprung members had a bang-up time (more ways than one). It was nominally a trip with 3 days of skiing, but at least one person, Senny Wegner (go figure), got in 5 days of skiing. Since we arrived in the early afternoon, we were allowed free night skiing on the front side of Keystone from 4 pm to 8 pm, and many took advantage of that. Also, our departure was scheduled late with the bus loading at 1:15 pm, so if you could find someone with unused days on their lift ticket (many) you could ski that morning. Besides Senny, Dave Leeder and yours truly spent the morning bombing the mountain. Sorry folks, but it was the best skiing of the whole five days.

We had 22 first timers on this trip, including 7 from Chicago. So we got to know a lot of new friends. Everyone skied Keystone on the first day, which was sunny, rather warm. The next day, many of us went to Breckenridge on the free Summit Stage bus. We should have been able to get on the gondola at the bus stop, but although still sunny, the wind was howling and they shut down the gondola. We had to get to the lift on the local shuttle bus. Skied until mid-afternoon, then the clouds started rolling in, signaling snow coming. Some people also went to Arapahoe Basin that day and the wind was blowing them off their skis, literally. Monday was our last official ski day. We had some fresh snow, but still strong winds.

Monday night, we had a pizza dinner at Pizza On the Run in the River Run Village. The Lunar award was “won” by Mike Komoroske, apparently for leading Mike Miller astray several times, although I think Mr Miller should have won for the longest nomination speech.

