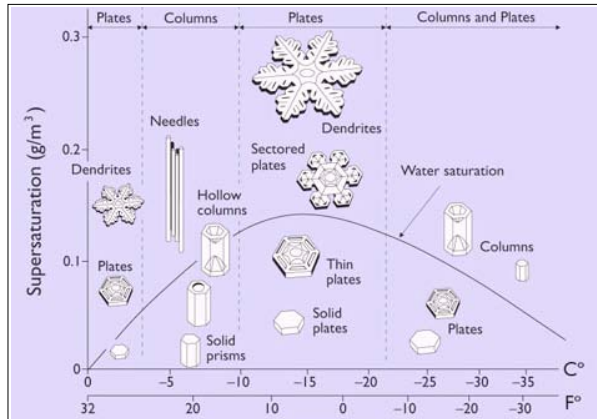


Season Events Calendars

Here is a preliminary list of events through out the season
 Sun 10th Jan - Natives show love tour, Ski Lodge, La Tania
 Wed 13th Jan - 8.30pm Ice hockey Courchevel v Oxford uni
 Tues 19th Jan - 8.30pm Seasonnaire Ballon Ballai comp, 1850
 Wed 27th Jan - Natives Workers Challenge Meribel
 Wed 17th March - Boss des Bosses, Chamonix
 Wed 24th March - 3 Valley Rally, Kalico
 Sat 25th April - Season ends



Too cold to snow?

One phrase that is heard from time to time is that, "it is too cold to snow today". In actuality, earth's troposphere is not too cold to snow but rather it is "too dynamically stable to snow". Also, if dynamic lifting does occur it may not produce precipitation that reaches the surface due to low relative humidity values in the lower troposphere.

The ingredients for snow are: (1) a temperature profile that allows snow to reach the surface, (2) saturated air, and (3) enough lifting of that saturated air to allow snow to develop aloft and fall to reach the surface. In a situation when it is said "it is too cold to snow" there is in reality not enough lifting of air that causes snow to reach the surface.

The phrase "it is too cold to snow today" probably originated as a mis-application of the relationship between temperature and the maximum amount of water vapor that can be in the air. Therefore, the colder it gets the less water vapor there will be in the air.

Even at very cold surface temperatures significant snowfall can occur because: (1) intense lifting can produce significant precipitation even at a very low temperature, (2) the temperature aloft can be much warmer than the temperature at the surface. The relatively warmer air aloft can have a larger moisture content than air in the PBL, (3) Moisture advection can continue to bring a renewed supply of moisture into a region where lifting is occurring, (4) Even at very cold temperatures the air always has a capacity to have some water vapor.

If the air cools to truly frigid Arctic temperatures such as -40 C and below then the moisture capacity of the air will be so low that likely not much snow can occur. Only at these extremely low temperatures is the phrase "it is too cold to snow" fairly valid.

At the temperature of absolute zero (0 K, -273 C, -459 F) all air including water vapor condenses and loses all molecular energy. The temperature can not cool below absolute zero.

Right to reply

If you disagree or fell you have been wronged by anything that is written on this sheet I offer you the right to reply. As long as its not obscene or overly offensive I will print it word for word.

This week at: le bubble

Every day - open 8am to 1am - free wifi, internet, paninis, picnics for the piste, nachos, newspapers, coffees, hot chocolates and more...

Monday
table football champs, 10pm
Tuesday
live apres music with Irish Gallie, 5pm
Wednesday
80's night - top tunes, big hair and lots of neon - retro ski wear encouraged
Thursday
Jägerday - €3 jägerbombs all day
Friday
Beer pong - demonstrate your skills with a ping pong ball to win free drinks, from 10pm
Saturday
pub quiz, win a €50 bar tab, 10pm

Courchevel Weather Forecast for 2000 m altitude, issued (local time): 9 am 09 Dec.
 Summary: A moderate fall of snow, heaviest on Sat morning. Temperatures will be well below freezing (max -6°C on Mon morning, min -24°C on Mon night). Wind will be generally light.
 Courtesy of www.snow-forecast.com



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The Courchevel Enquirer

What credit crunch?



A Ferrari Enzo - stops traffic litterly!

Regardless of the state of the economy in the rest of the world you can guarantee someone around Courchevel will be flaunting their conspicuous consumption. If not in the size of their chalet then it's what they are driving. Now Ferraris are no big thing in Courchevel with 430s a dime a dozen in the spring. But earlier this week 3 Ferraris arrived on the back of a flat bed truck (because of the snow) at the hotel Grand Alpes. An Enzo (1 million + euro), a 430 (approx 200k) and my personal favourite a classic F40(400k+). Today they left resort, but as they couldn't go up the hill around the 1 way system (because of the snow), they had traffic stopped down to the roundabout. And the drivers? Russian? Monegasque? No. on closer inspection all the cars had English registrations.

A note from the editor

Now that 2010 has arrived Courchevel is living up to it's stereotypical image of Moscow central. With Russian Christmas last week and Russian New Year this week it seems like every expensive chalet (and some not so expensive) has been taken over by aspiring oligarchs and their entouarges. Seriously where ever you turn you can hear the sound of roubles greasing a variety of outstretched palms. But enough about the uber rich. What is happening in resort for the rest of us? The Natives show love tour will be down

Football matches & Sport live on big screens all weekend
 Apres ski Happy Hour sessions @ 5pm every day with DJ sessions from David Vestergaard- Monday, Wednesdays & Thursdays Cheap Peroni on tap!!!

Monday is Quiz night as normal 9.15pm all welcome Prizes!!
Tuesday APRES SKI with **BLUEFUNKT** at 5pm and playing live on Tuesday night (played apres ski yesterday they were great!!)

Thursday night is **Cross Dressing Fancy Dress** Theme night!! Ever wanted to go out as the other sex??? So tonight is the night!! Free Drink for all who come dressed up!!

Free high speed wifi access point

BEX WARNS

Threatening to "wreck" someone with alcohol can backfire if your own tolerance to alcohol is less than his. Always drink responsibly....

Who would want to be Manager (rep)?

When you are looking for a job I can understand why you would want to be a plongeur (zero responsibility, hot and cold running plongeur groupies), a driver (minibuses and stuff) a chalet host (hard work and a fair amount of ski time) but I can't understand, with the possible exception of being an masochist, why you would want to be a resort manager or rep. If you are unlucky (rep) you have to spend your weekend on a coach or at Geneva airport, then you have to smile while everybody on the coach asks you exactly the same question (even though they probably overheard the answer from the row before).

Injuries, restaurant bookings, thefts, problems from the hung-over chalet hosts, answering more clients' questions than Google, I could go on but I think you get the idea. And it's a given that these problems are solved quickly and efficiently otherwise there is more abuse.

Every ten minutes your mobile rings with a new conundrum it's almost never ending. DAMN YOU TECHNOLOGY!! I remember back in the old days ('92) it was a simpler time. There was no wireless Internet, actually there was barely no Internet at all, no facebook, no mobile phones. Managers would only be available for a couple of hours at certain times of the day. Outside of those hours you might find them in the bar but they wouldn't be in a state to give you a coherent answer.

So at the end of the week when a chalet host might get a tip, the plongeur will definately get laid but the best you can hope for is a thank you as they board the bus back to the airport. How else can you say THANKLESS TASK.



Hairy Louis

Scary Louis

Quotes of the Week
 "I'm going to wreck Will Gill"
Bex(Powder White 2009) on the first day of her holiday.
Followed by a morning of hung over vomiting

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2010 Courchevel seasonnaire t-shirt/Hoody form
 currently being distributed. If you haven't seen one yet please contact your manager or me directly on 0645334445.

As well as normal hoodies we still have some of the deluxe hoodies used last year available on a 1st come 1served basis. featureing ALL the English company workers names on the back.

One of the main glossy resort magazines of Courchevel is called Pure. Inside, apart from adverts for everything that is expensive in resort, is a pull out telephone list. On the back of the list is this advert. Unfortunately I think they missed out the "om" in the middle of Gastronomique. The resulting word has probably the complete opposite meaning to enjoying fine food

Restaurant Gastronomique

at the ski lodge in La Tania tomorrow. Free shots of eristoff black and some skis up for grabs are just two good reasons to go. The annual ice hockey match between Oxford Uni & Courchevel take place on Wednesday. If previous matches are anything to go by it should be a good one. Go to the Boulotte(1650) on Thursday 16.30 for Bring your sisters and the get ready for cross dressing at the Kalico. They are having their first fancy dress night on Thursday. Guys its time to raid your female co-workers wardrobe. A free drink for those who participate and possibly the front page next week for the best effort. Finally if you can handle your balls the Bubble in 1650 are having a beer pong (Beruit) tournament on Friday.

As always if you wish to peruse the photos taken over the New Years eve period then go to the enquirer website and don't forget if you wish to receive the enquirer directly in your email inbox you can sign up on www.courchevelenquirer.com.

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The thank you god for the invention of alcohol and for it passing the lips of Jenny quote of the week

"We're having a mass debate"
 Jenny having a large discussion with some girls in the Refuge

Seperated at Birth

Courchevel Hilton 4* Luxe Alexander Irwin

Perez Hilton Mario Armando Lavandeira, Jr.

Texas hold em Poker
 Every week there will be a game of Texas hold em poker up in 1850. Anyone interesting in joining this friendly poker game on Wednesday night 9pm in 1850. Call 06 45 33 44 45 for more information. 10€ buyin. Total of 9 players. Winner takes 80€. 2nd 10€. (based on 9 players)

Bad beat of the week

river

After the flop Ben and Matt were playing heads up. Before the turn Ben put Matt all in. Ben made his flush only for another heart to appear on the river giving a higher flush to Matt.

Thinks I've learnt this week

- 1
You should never walk home with a pint glass in your hand
- 2
Only to smash it in plain site of some gendarmes
- 3
and then being told off while all your friends watch.
- 4
Some guys think it's ok to make girls cry.