



FIRST EXTREME CARVING MEETING ZINAL, SUISSE Jan 31 to feb 2 2004

SWOARD snowboards is organizing the first extremecarving meeting in the world. Incredible slopes, nice and friendly atmosphere, demo testing of genuine extremecarving boards will be proposed for all europeans snowboarders desiring to discover this new discipline.

If you don't know what EC is about, simply want to discover this fun and very specular activity or just want to carve laid turns to the max on steep and perfectly groomed slopes: Come and Join us!

Program:

- Demo of extremecarving gear: The whole Swoard products will be available for the riders during the whole three days of the meeting. Participants are required to bring their own gear, demos will be scheduled on a first come first served basis, which means a small waiting time might be required to test ride a specific board model.
- Extremecarving exhibition by the Swoard team, creators of the discipline and only extremecarving board maker worldwide.
- Freecarving sessions and informal tips given by the Swoard team while testing and riding.
- Unformal stoked spirit: Freecarving and extremecarving are just a part of the glide spirit.
- Huge calories burning and gloves shredding activities.

Organization:

Zinal resort has insured that particulary well grooming will be taken care of, especially on the legendary slopes of the resort. The resort also proposes a special and significative rebate for the lifts. It is then important for us to know who is coming in order to count every participant in order to make sure we get reduced prices for everyone.

Registrering will be done on the forum of www.extremecarving.com in a dedicated topic.

In case of heavy snowfalls that will make it impossible to do any form of carving, participants will be able to discover the fantastic freeride possibilities of Zinal (Beacon, Shovel and pole mandatory (can be rented) and freeride board for those who are equipped)

Disclaimer:

Swoard Snowboards is the inviting party which proposes, but participants are required to organize for themselves their trip and take care of all expenses (hotel, food, gear, eventual insurances, lift costs...).

Swoard makes it possible to have reduced lift costs, and organizes the tests of the products it sells: Swoard will not be held responsible of bad weather, lack of snow, or any accident that would occur during this informal meeting, which goal is to have people sharing the same passion together.

Hotels:

Swoard is proposing three different places chosen in the Zinal area. Participants are required to do their own booking / reservations for the whole time of their stay. More information can be found on the website www.zinal.ch, as well as various information such as trains, buses and road maps to show the way from Zurich or Geneva. More information will be available on the forum of extremecarving.com

We have booked 7 double rooms with WC and showers outside of the room at the price of 47 CHF/person/night at the TRIFT hotel. Including dinner will add an extra 28 CHF/person. Those reservations are to be confirmed by any willing participants before the date of Dec 15th, on a first come, first served basis, the hotel will not be able to keep those reservations open after this date. Other single rooms are also available at the same hotel for an extra 15 CHF/night. When booking, be sure to say it's for Swoard/Extremecarving session, so you will benefit the 5 CHF/night rebate the hotel offered us.

Hôtel du Trift 3961 ZINAL - Suisse 00 41 (0)27 475 14 66 Fax 00 41 (0)27 475 47 66 email: infos@trift.com

Another hotel, a bit more expensive but reasonable: Hôtel Pointe de Zinal still has some rooms between 40 and 75 CHF (singles to triple rooms). Reservations have to be quick because we didn't book anything in this hotel. There were available rooms by November 20th.

Hôtel Pointe de Zinal 3961 ZINAL - Suisse 00 41 (0)27 475 11 64 Fax 00 41 (0)27 475 41 44 email: pointezinal@bluewin.ch

Last is a more simple hotel/ inn that is cheaper: it has rooms and a dormitory.

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Be welcomed ! The SWOARD team: Jacques, Patrice et Nils



EC approved slope: the now famous Barthélemy, features in many EC movies. Who said it was flat?