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Newsletter-Orientation-Ski- and Snowboard Weekend 2011



How great, we had the sunniest snowboard weekend ever...at least on Saturday...and no accidents and only happy students and areareps. We had 21 students,2 host brother and 5 areareps and Edith



Our nice Northern country students Laura from Denmark, Varpu, Anna and Nita from Finland

Some of the students had taken their first public train and it was a great new experience.



When we all arrived on Friday lunchtime, we first met at the nice youth hostel in Bad Ischl and after a good lunch we went to see the summer castle of the emperor Franz Josef and his wife Sisi... and we all loved it there

This was a first impression for some of the students to the history of Austria and they all enjoyed it.

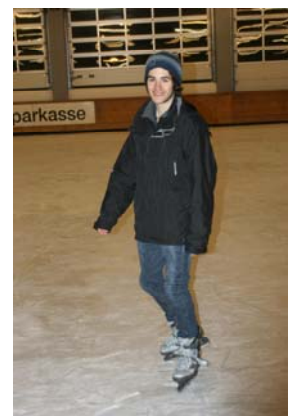
After this we had the Orientation meeting with all students, new and old ones and it was good, because the old ones from fall had already some experiences that the new ones could learn from!
Then we had a great dinner and sadly Janice left after this.



In the evening we had a long cold walk to the ice skating disco...that is how they call it here ☺ but it was very nice to see all the students helping each other to learn how to skate...some learnt it very fast and were very good in the end



*Keagile from South Africa helped by blond Nita
Our Chinese fling bird George*



Diego from Venezuela



The Areareps: Philine, Erika, Edith (from the outbound office), Marion and Katrin

Next morning we headed to the wonderful Postalm for skiing and snowboarding! The sun was out already when we had our breakfast and then on the long bus-strip up the mountains we all enjoyed the great view. We had most students skiing and snowboarding, some had a private course with the great teachers, and 2 of the students did the cross country skiing adventure: Greer from Australia and Alberto from Italy

Us Areareps were sitting in the sun and were the harbor, where all students stranded from time to time, to take a drink or eat some "Semmeln" What a hard job ☺ And I have to say, ALL students have be straight in time the whole day!!!!



James, Siobhan and Brooke from Australia



*Keagile from South Africa and Siobhan from OZ
Brooke from Australia*

cool host brother Max



Angel from China on ski



Niklas, host brother from Valery from Mexico and ski teacher



Keagile and his AR Erika

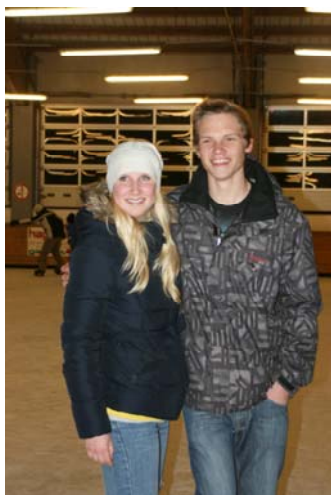


The 2 cross county freaks Alberto from Italy and Greer from Australia

In the evening we walked to the Salt Water Thermal bath of Bad Ischl, which everyone really enjoyed and we had a good time relaxing there and recover from the first day together, with a lot of laughter. Only 2 students did not bring their bathers ☺



Some more impressions:



Bea from Italy, Angel from China, Valery from Mexico →



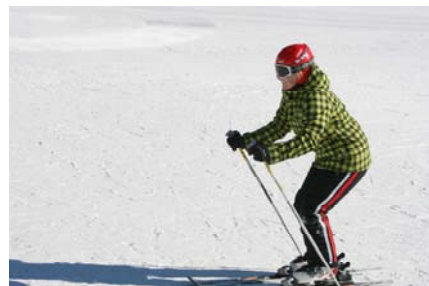
Brandon from Canada and Nita from Finland



Varpu from Finland



Anna from Finland, phoning Jacob from Canada



Laura from Denmark →



← Philine our movie woman



Diego from Venezuela



I guess the students did not get much sleep in this last night either, but we as the escorts did not hear anything and so I was really pleased with the behavior. The students just love to sit together and talk, talk, talk...(Nutella-Party)

Next morning the weather was not really nice so the students decided to do a little sightseeing trip again with us adults in Bad Ischl and I invited them for a warm fresh "Faschingskrapfen" which is something really special and nice.

I have to state here, I never had such a nice and social group of students...it was a pleasure to be with you and the first time I came back from a STS event and felt relaxed and have only good memories!!!!

Thank you all !!!!

Let me thank here my great Areareps Erika and Philine, Sieglinde, Marion and Dagi and of course Edith. They helped me a lot. Unfortunately all others could not come. See more pictures in my facebook site and as I am sending out printed pictures as well and send them to all of you

Yours *Katrin*