

# Tampa Bay Snow Skier & Boarders Events

## ICHETUCKNEE FLOAT AND CAMPING

### JULY 31 – AUGUST 2, 2009

This has become the trip not to miss! Please call or e-mail as soon as possible as this is first-come, first-served. For the past 5 years, this trip has sold out in 2 days or less! Call or e-mail Roger Copp at 813-431-4959 or [rogerscopp@aol.com](mailto:rogerscopp@aol.com). Calling is the quickest way to get a reservation. After you sign up you will need to mail a check to Roger (907 S. Rome Ave., Tampa, FL 33606) by July 15 for your lodging, food, and tube rental.

Join us for a relaxing and serene weekend getaway, tubing and camping at Ichetucknee with a social on Friday evening and a dinner provided by the club on Saturday evening. For further information on the park and campground, go to: State Park: <http://www.floridastateparks.org/ichetuckneesprings/default.cfm>  
Campground: <http://www.ichetuckneecanoeandcabins.net/>

We have 10 rustic cabins, so plan on becoming one with nature. Please check our Web site for what to bring and read it carefully as there are many things you wouldn't want to miss like bringing you own linens and pillows. Cabins sleep 4-6.

An agenda will go out in July for those who sign up, but here's what's included:

- Friday night: A pot-luck social
- Saturday: Tube rental
- Saturday morning: Super early rise and shine to float
- Saturday night: Dinner organized by Roger Copp and others
- Sunday: On your own

The cost for the weekend trip will vary depending on your choices. All cabins have two full-size beds that sleep 2. Some cabins have an extra single bed or a bunk bed. One person rents the cabin and is responsible for finding roommates. The pricing information is summarized below:

Item	Cost	Details
Cabin rental	\$54.50/night per cabin	Cabins sleep 4-6
Food	\$13/person	Social and dinner
Tube rental	\$4-11/person	Various float options
Park fee	\$5/person	If you enter park

**Lodging.** The cabins are \$54.50 per night, including tax. We have 10 cabins reserved. Four cabins have two full size beds that can sleep 2 per bed. We have three cabins that have the two full size beds plus a twin bed (can accommodate 5), and two cabins that have the two full size beds plus a bunk bed (can accommodate 6). The last cabin has two twin beds plus a toddler bed. You can also bring a recreational vehicle or you can camp. There is a bathhouse at

the center of the campground. In addition to the cabins, there are hook-ups for recreational vehicles (\$23.44/night) and campsites (\$18/night).

**Trip Cost.** There are separate optional charges for the Friday social and Saturday dinner, the one day rental of a tube for floating on the Ichetucknee. The food is \$13 per person, and the basic tube rental cost is \$4. Other float options such as larger tubes and small rafts are available at a slightly higher price. There is a \$5 park entrance fee per person for entering the State Park. Cabin rentals are available on a per-person basis and the first renter is responsible for filling his or her cabin with room-mates. TBSSB is not responsible for assigning room-mates.

The price of the trip will vary depending on your lodging choices. All cabins are the same price, but some cabins have more beds. To help you figure out the cost for your group, here is how the price would work out for three people renting a cabin with two full-size beds and a single bed:

Cabin:	\$36.33/person (\$54.50/night x 2 nights / 3 people)
Food:	\$13/person
Float:	\$4/person
Park fee:	\$5/person
Total Cost:	\$58.33 per person

#### **Itinerary for Saturday:**

**Early Risers:** Group drives to park north entrance (300 ft from campground) and gets in line by 8 AM. This is recommended as the north entrance is limited to 750 people, so available parking spaces are often gone by 8:45 AM. The park opens at 8:00 AM. Everyone but the driver gets out and pick up a tube from Roger. The driver drives the car down to the South Entrance and takes a State Park shuttle back to the north entrance to meet the rest of the group. We then take a leisurely float down a beautiful 3-mile stretch of the Ichetucknee River.

**Late Risers:** You can pick up your own tube and drive down to the South Park Entrance where you can enjoy the lower 1.5-miles of the River along with a throng of others. We recommend you float the river with the early risers (see paragraph above).

**Evening Dinner:** If you sign up for it, you can enjoy hamburgers and hot dogs, potato salad, and Roger's home-made chocolate chip cookies with the rest of the group. We will have beer, soft drinks, and water available. You need to let us know if you want to have dinner with the group as we will only buy enough food for those who pay up-front for the dinner.