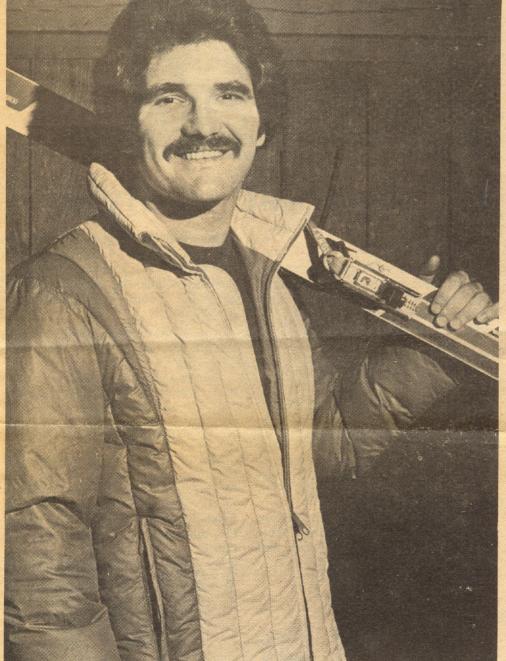
Light weight and bright colored, Linda Moore and Dave Allan wear ski jackets from Brown's Sporting Goods.

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Dave Allan, the Ski Club's chairman of skier development, gets ready for the slopes in his light-weight jacket designed in two tones of blue, below.



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Ski club reveals what to wear on slopes

By David Jensen

L-I-I-IVE, from the Peoria Hilton, it's FRIDAY NIGHT!

Imitating the TV late night comedy program "Saturday Night Live," the Peoria Ski Club is planning a ski fashion show and dance at the Hilton's Grand Ballroom on Nov. 18. The doors open at 7 p.m.; the program begins at 8.

The program will include slides, movies (mostly about skiing, of course) and the fashion show followed by a variety show, which preceeds the dance. The variety show comprises talent from within the club, including a barber shop quartet and a girls sextet. "We used to hire talent for our variety shows, but now we find we have so many talented people in the club," said Tom Boylan, president.

The fashions will come from Brown's Sporting Goods, Tennis Anyone in Bloomington and King Keyser from Hinsdale.

"Friday Night Live" will cost \$5 per person. The public is invited. Advanced tickets can be purchased by calling 691-8825.

Business and pleasure

The Peoria Ski Club now includes more than 600 members. According to Boylan, as many as 200 to 300 attend the monthly meetings, but it's not because they like discussing old and new business. Organized as the Peoria Ski Club is, its members are reported not to

allow business to interfere too much with pleasure. Every meeting is followed by a dance at one of Peoria's night spots, and many of them have a theme, like their recent Halloween dance. One of their biggest events is an upcoming Christmas party to be held at the Creve Coeur Club Dec. 17

The Ski Club is mainly made up of alpine ski enthusiasts who plan ski trips to Colorado, Vermont and even Europe. This season, a ski tour to Italy is scheduled.

But non-skiers are also welcome. The club's activities are numerous and all year around. They include canoe trips, bike hikes, water skiing outings, hayrides and volleyball games.

Nordic, or cross country skiers, are becoming more prominent today, and they, too, are swelling the membership of the club.

There are some who undoubtedly join for the social activity. According to Jan Boylan, social secretary, the Ski Club members are not the kind who will pass up a good party. In fact, one of their most popular are the "picture parties" which are held after each ski trip. Each involve the showing of photos taken on the preceding trip. "We also have a lot of photo buffs in the club," said Tom Boylan.

For those who take their skiing seriously but life lightly, the Peoria Ski Club is the club to join.

Bad news for skiers: price of down is up

The biggest news for skiers to notice is that the price of raw down is skyrocketing. And according to Peter Bauer, president of White Stag Action Sports division, the price of a ski jacket will be about 25 per cent higher next season.

However, today's sportsman might consider passing up down products in favor of the pseudo-downs that have been developed. Some of these offer most of the plus factors and few of the minuses.

The same goes for fabrics previously thought unsuitable for ski clothes. This fall you'll see corduroy, neoprene (as in wetsuits), cotton poplins, and a variety of knits converted into skiwear.

Sweaters, too, are coming out. Literally. They are being worn as jackets in areas where dry snow, no wind and sunny days abound.

Textures, colors

Zip-together suits are popular, offering a one-piece ski suit and the jacket and pants option. But the news in ski suits is in the play of textures and colors off of one another, like corduroy against Flight satin. The Profile label offers gold and silver metallics.

Vests are probably the singularly most important item for the ski ward-robe this season. They are super zipped over a lightweight snowsuit, and they do double duty off the slopes and

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Linda Moore, trip chairman for the Ski Club, sports a coordinated jacket and pants that zip together for the one-piece look. The colors are green with red and yellow stripes.



Over warm sweaters, Linda and Dave are wearing something new for the downhill runs: ski vests which are color coordinated with warm-up pants.

Zip downhill in style

(Continued from Page 1B) around town.

A color check shows that earth tones will compete with lipstick red and bright greens. And for those coordinate freaks, this season they will be able to color key their skis with their boots with their outfit, (even down to their thermal underwear!)

Roffe is offering the ultimate chic in the form of a signature print that is being incorporated into its skiwear as well as used as a log scarf and matching hat.

Manufacturers finally have recognized the growing market for cross-country skiers and have come out with some neat looking overall knicker suits that are warm and comfortable.

Baseball jackets adapted

The newest silhouettes this season will be adaptations of baseball jackets with knit cuffs and waistbands and

jackets that offer raglan, batwing, and blouson stylings. A couple of neat touches seen on baseball (or aviator) jackets include the addition of knit sleeves or overall quilting that includes a warm hood.

Another trick is to buy a jacket with its own number sewn in the back. Are you ready?

Last year's snowless season seems to have cleaned up ski apparel's act. For Fall '77, manufacturers are offering ski garb that is priced within family budgets with styles for everyone's taste.

Mostly, it is up to the consumer to become a smart skiwear shopper. It's recommended that you don't buy down just because you've heard it's the "in" thing. Check out your personal needs. One thing you won't be short on: selection.