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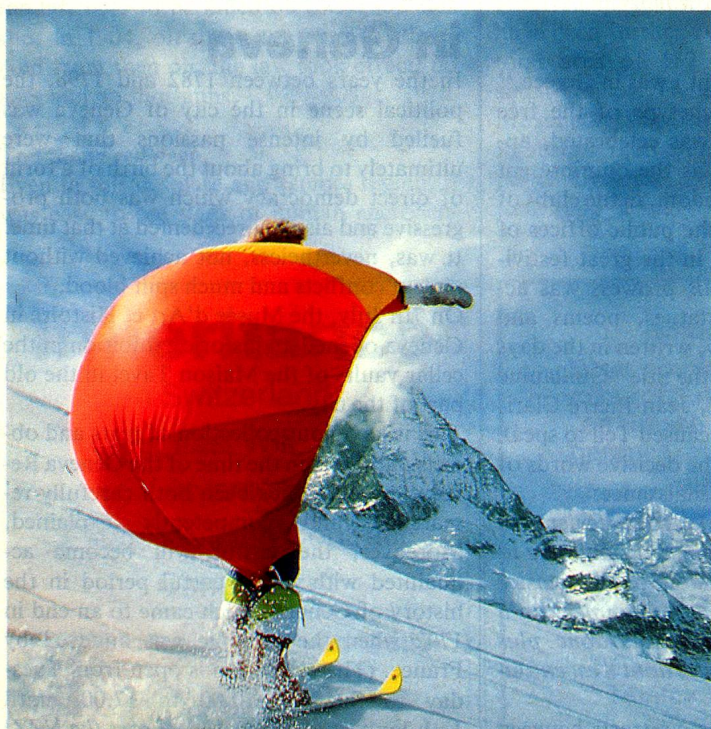
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Ski-ing on skis...

Floating on skis...

Sailing on skis!



A new piece of sporting equipment is taking the ski-slopes by storm. The ski-sail not only brings added colour and gracefulness with it, but it also offers the ski-fan a completely new sensation of movement.

During their stay at a ski-camp in Morgins in the spring of this year, some 40 Swiss youngsters living abroad took quite a large step closer to realising Icarus's eternal dream of being able to fly. Ski-ing downhill with wind-filled ski-sails on powder snow under a blue sky comes very close to floating or even flying through the air, as the skier's



body weight is reduced by somewhere between 30 and 50 percent, depending on his/her speed.

Thanks to a skilled display by the Swiss national ski-acrobatic team, the video "Spiel auf Schnee - Farben im Lichtkreis der Sonne" illustrates the delightful variety of this new sport form that is becoming increasingly popular in Switzerland. The films, which obviously represent an even greater attraction for those Swiss living abroad, are available in three languages with a sound track, as well as in 16 mm and 35 mm format. The presentation film, lasting about 20 minutes, shows off the high Alpine region of Switzerland between the Matterhorn and Monte Rosa to its best advantage.

The video cassette can be or-

dered from Colro, Willy and Collette Roth, CH-4413 Büren SO, Tel. 061 960165. Comprehensive information about ski-sailing is also available from the same address. *el*

Spring ski camp 1990

At the ski-camps staged every year by the youth section of the Secretariat for the Swiss Abroad, every effort is made to give the young Swiss living abroad a greater feeling of ski-ing as a form of amusement by offering them various attractions with a difference, such as ski-sailing. However, the sporting part of the winter camp also features tips for improving personal ski-ing technique as well as group competitions for fun which, above all, foster a spirit of togetherness among those taking part. Alternative programmes are also available, thus preventing weaker participants from being overtaxed. These camps are therefore suitable for both strong skiers and beginners alike.

Date/Venue

Monday evening to Wednesday morning, 2nd until 11th April 1990, La Remouentze, 1875 Morgins VS

Camp leader

Edith Locher, new leader of the youth section since 1st March 1989, qualified gymnastics and sports instructor.

Cost of camp

SFr. 560.-, including ski pass

Conditions

One parent must hold Swiss citizenship. Age: 15-25.

Enrolment

By 15th February, 1990, at the latest. Enrolment forms are available from the Secretariat for the Swiss Abroad, Jugenddienst, Alpenstrasse 26, CH-3000 Bern 16. The number of participants is limited to 40.