

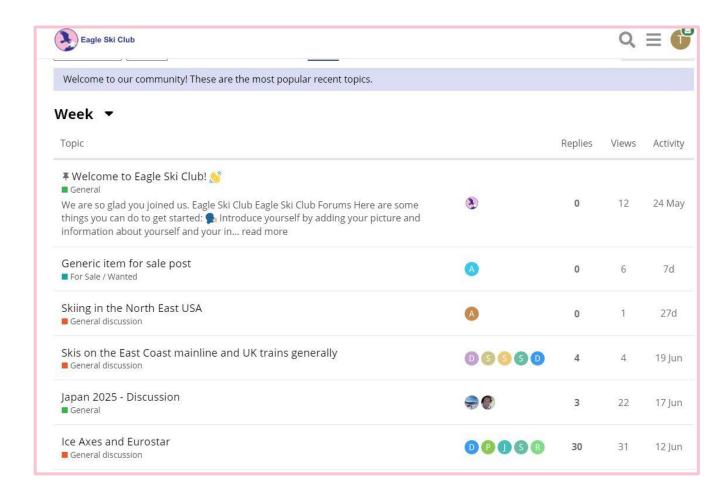
Eagle Ski Club Discourse: 'How To' Guide

<u>Discourse</u> is an open-source, free-to-use online forum platform that we have integrated into the Eagle Ski Club website.

It will take the place of the legacy Eagle Ski Club forums from August 2024.

We have migrated all active posts from the old forum to the ESC Discourse.

This document is a short, simple user guide to the Discourse Platform.





Discourse 'Need to Knows' (1/2)

- Your Eagle Ski Club username and password will work automatically for the ESC Discourse – there is no need to create a separate Discourse account!
- Discourse works best with the latest versions of the various web browsers – if you have any issues with the platform, make sure your browser is up to date and if it isn't, see if that fixes the problem.
- There are no 'moderators' on Discourse and the system is designed to filter out 'bots' and 'spam' posts automatically. That being said, please do use it in a civil, sensitive manner, as we all used the old ESC forum, and in line with the club's Code of Conduct (available here).

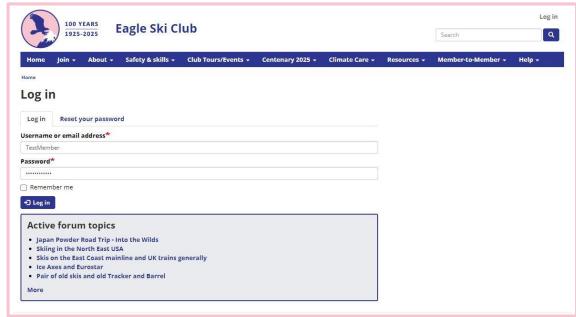


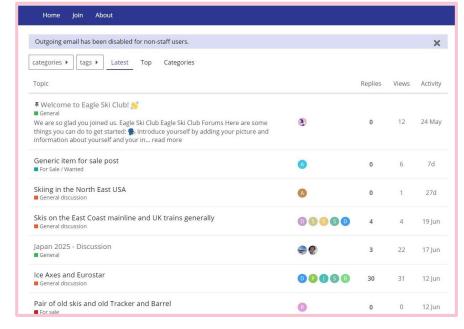
Discourse 'Need to Knows' (2/2)

- Please take the time to read the very simple ESC Discourse FAQ here these set out expectations of users along with the basic rules intended to encourage participation and conversation, and discourage negative behaviours
- The intention is to maintain continuity with our old forums, hence we have migrated across the old topics please do use the existing threads rather than creating new ones. The Discourse search functionality (see p6) is good, so you should hopefully be able to existing posts and replies easily.
- NB that For Sale and General categories are readable by everyone, while Club Tours/Meets and Member Organised Activities are accessible to members only.
- For those who want to use the forums on mobile devices, there are Discourse mobile apps for <u>iOS</u> and <u>Android</u>
- Discourse can integrate with various other platforms and we are all learning how to use it as we go – if you have suggestions, please send them to <u>Internet@eagleskiclub.org.uk</u> and <u>comms@eagleskiclub.org.uk</u>



How to access the ESC Discourse





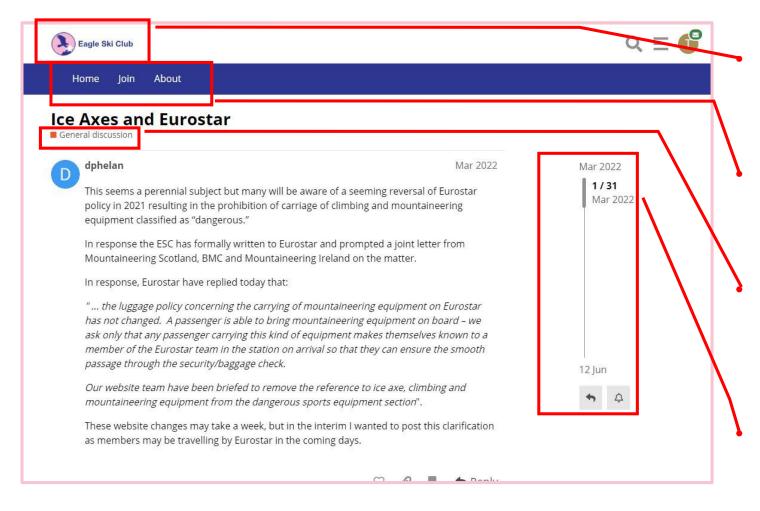
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- 1. Go to https://discourse.eagleskiclub.org.uk/ and click 'Log In'
- If you're already logged in to the ESC website, you'll be taken straight to the Discourse 'home'
 page (the list of forum topics shown above right).
- 3. If you're not, enter your normal ESC username / email address, and password (above left), and click 'Log In' this will then redirect you to the home page.



Navigating Discourse (1/2)



Clicking the Eagle Ski Club logo and title will return you to the home page from any forum

The Home / Join / About links refer back to the main pages on the Club's website, i.e. away from Discourse

Topic tags (each with their own colour) appear on each forum post under the title – clicking these will take you to a page listing all posts on this topic.

The scroll bar on the right can be used to navigate long threads – the original posts appear at the top, and the newest posts at the bottom.



Navigating Discourse (2/2)



At the bottom of the post, you can reply, 'Like' the post, generate a URL link to share it (via email / whatsapp /etc.), or Bookmark it (see right). The summary bar below the original post shows the date of creation, last reply, how active the post is (# of replies / views / users), and the most active users.

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Clicking 'My Posts' takes you to the below page where you can access Bookmarked posts:

- 1. The three lines open the menu to access your saved posts, groups, and the Discourse FAQ
- 2. The green envelope indicates an unread inbox message that can be accessed by clicking the User ID
- There is also an alltopic search tool

