

CONNECTICUT SKI COUNCIL

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi, Everyone –

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving holiday!

This year's Snowball was a fantastic party! First of all, congratulations to *Mary O'Hara of the Danbury Ski Club*, and *Bob Wallace of the Mt. Laurel Ski Club*. Mary is the 2011-12 CSC Ambassador, and Bob was selected as the First Runner-up. I'm sure Mary will do a great job representing the CSC.

Many thanks to all the committees and volunteers who helped make this year such a success. A special thanks to Liz Kotler who can now go back to a normal life, after dedicating this past year to putting on the Snowball. The band, *Sister Funk*, kept the dance floor packed from start to finish and even treated us to an encore. All in all, it was an elegant venue with an energetic crowd! It was a night to remember!

Bulk ticket orders are in and were distributed

at our November meeting. Many thanks to Nancy Nolan, Ginny Ludwig and Dave England for organizing all the orders and getting the tickets out to our clubs. This year we once again had orders of well over one million dollars!! This is a great program so please make sure there is no abuse of it – make sure your members abide by the rules and regulations of the bulk ticket program.

Monday Night racing is scheduled to start this month, and many ski areas up north are already open. This is the time of year we have been waiting for; don't let it pass you by.

As a final note, the CSC is in need of a secretary. If you are interested, please contact me.

I hope to see you at the December meeting!

Bob Kaczmarczyk
CSC President

COUNCIL MEETING:

December 13, 2011
NEWINGTON POLISH
CLUB, 8:00 PM

Following meeting:
January 10, 2012

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for the January newsletter is December 28. Email me: donald.ludwig@sbcglobal.net. Thanks, Ginny

KIDS' DAY

The date - December 18

The place - Mt. Snow

The time - 8:00 am, at the Sundance Lodge

The deal - Kids get a free ski or snowboard lesson all

morning, from ASIA or PSIA certified CSC instructors

The contact - Tony Edwards of Double Diamonds Ski Club, AEwa81445@aol.com.

Get your kids or grandkids off to a great and safe start!

AMBASSADOR'S ANGLE

Thank you to everyone who made the Snowball a success. It was great to see all the clubs enjoying each other's company and, as usual, packing the dance floor all night long.

There were over two hundred prizes donated to the event! Be sure to thank the raffle committee, ambassadors, and sponsors for making our only fundraiser such a success. The theme, *All Aboard the SkiTrain*, was so creative!

I am looking forward to being your Ambassador for the next year and welcome all your recommendations to ensure success of Snowball 2012. I will be coming to the CSC meetings at 7:30-8:00 pm to meet with all those people who will be volunteering to keep score at the OnSnow Winter Carnival races. I am also beginning to form committees to run next year's Snowball. Remember that many hands make the load light and much more fun.

Thanks,
Mary O'Hara
2011-2012 CSC Ambassador

ASIA News

X-C Clinic

This is a refresher for instructors and/or a great way to improve your skills!

When: January 21-22

Where: Mt. Meadows (at the foot of Killington Access Road)

Time: 8:00-3:30/4:00

Cost: ASIA membership (\$25 if not already) + clinic (\$110) + trail fee (\$10 per day). Prices may vary slightly.

Deadline: Jan. 6.

Application: asiaski.com/Nordic.htm

As in the past, Dale Rodgers will be teaching us. Dale was the National Program Director of the US Olympic Biathlon Association. He is a PSIA certified Nordic ski instructor/examiner, and a coach for local schools and cross country ski centers.

Questions: Sue Poirier, spcolby@gmail.com

Downhill Program

The Level 1 program at Okemo is full, but you can go to West Point, NY, January 13-16 (MLK weekend.)

Call the ASIA office at 845-679-4609 to register and for more information. You can also call me at 203-272-4681 if you have any questions.

Nancy Nolan

ASIA Director and Program Coordinator

Hartford/Windsor Marriott, you know, the really great Snowball venue -

is offering the following specials to CSC members.

Groups: \$99 per room night (+ taxes) for groups.

Includes one night's stay, parking for duration of trip, transportation to and from Bradley. (A group is 10 or more sleeping rooms per night; based on availability.)

Contact Amanda Roberts at 860-847-5010 or amanda.roberts@marriott.com.

Individuals: \$179 (Mon/Tues/Wed)

\$105 (Thur/Fri/Sa/Sun). Includes one night's stay, parking for duration of trip, transportation to and from Bradley. Book at CT Ski Council website.

Monday Night Racing

The first scheduled Monday night race at Southington will be December 19. The cost is \$30 for racing and lift ticket. This is an eight-week series, with 2 rain dates included in the schedule.

Call Mt. Southington race hot-line after 2:00 pm on the day of the race to find out if the race will take place. The hot-line phone number is 860-628-7669 x243.

Rob Dexter

Monday Night Race Chairperson

Mt. Snow and Magic Mountain Bulk Tickets

By now, your ticket chairperson should have been contacted to pick up your club's vouchers. If not, reps can pick them up at the December CSC meeting, or they can call Ginny Ludwig at 203-250-1560 to make other arrangements.

Nancy Nolan and Ginny Ludwig

Bulk Ticket Coordinators

CSC SKI TRIPS

The Steamboat registration deadline has passed, and final payment was due December 1.

Trip possibilities for 2012-2013 are, in no particular order, Aspen; Alaska (in March to overlap with the Iditarod); Quebec City Winter Carnival (intra-council trip) Jan. 30-Feb. 5, 2013.

FAM (familiarization) Trip Offers (for trip leaders) and MTS (Mountain Travel Symposium) information - contact CSC Trips coordinator, George Krampetz, at trips@skiclub.com.

Northern Bulk Tickets

So far, all's well except for Smugglers' Notch vouchers. As of press time, I'm still waiting for them. Unexpected delays in designing, printing, processing caused them to miss our time schedule. Thank you for your patience. I'm sure when you are reading this, I will have them in my possession and will have contacted you to pick them up either at my home or at the next CSC meeting, Dec. 13.

The participating mountains are very good with their pricing for the CSC bulk ticket program. Respect the CSC bulk ticket policy and protect this win-win opportunity.

Enjoy,

Dave England, Northern Tier Bulk Ticket Coordinator

A New Addition to Club Trips

Join Sterling Ski Club's 10th year reunion trip to Cortina, Italy, February 10-20, 2012.

Included in the trip package are:

- *Round-trip air JFK to Venice
- *Private motorcoach to Cortina
- *7 nights at Parc Hotel Victoria (4*) with buffet breakfast and 4-course dinners daily
- *One night in Venice during Carnivale weekend
- *Price: \$2095/pp. Add about \$200 for lift tickets
- *Side trips available to Sella Ronda; Innsbruck, Austria; Venice and Rome.

Contact: Joe Greene at 203-521-6861 or at joefog99@hotmail.com. Deposits due now with full payment in mid-December.

Special Getaways

Smugglers' Notch Group Leader Getaway

Date: Dec. 9-11, or Dec. 16-18 Cost: \$150/pp/double occ

Includes:

Two nights' lodging, 2 lift tickets, 2 hearty Vermont breakfast buffets, Sat. night dinner buffet and all village amenities.

Contact: Ben Childs, 1-800-521-0536, or bchilds@smuggs.com.

CT Snow Snakes MLK Smuggs' Weekend

3-day lift ticket; 3 nights' lodging in slopeside condos; bus from Windsor, CT to the mountain. Priced as low as \$262 per person. Contact: Dave Ten Eyck at daveteneuck@gmail.com.

Also at Smuggs: CSC members get group rates on lodging throughout the season, restrictions apply. Call Ben Childs at 802-644-1282 or go to smuggs.com.

Jay for a Day

Sat. January 28 (a CSC Awareness Day). Bus leaves Meriden and Windsor. \$35 for the bus; \$37 for Awareness Day ticket. Trip sponsored by the Snow Snakes and The Goodmen clubs. Contact: daveteneuck@gmail.com.

Innsbruck Inn at Stowe

CSC members get 10% off lodging daily rack rates, 5% off Hot Deal lodging specials and holiday rates. Show your ID card. Suzanne & Jean Drolet, Innsbruckinn.com or reservations@gostowe.com.

Space is Still Available.....

Snowbird – February 19-26

Host: Goodmen Ski Club

Cost: \$1689/pp/double; \$1469/pp/triple; \$1350/pp/quad
Child (under 12): in room with parent; \$750 (2 queen beds)

Includes:

Round-trip air from New York to Salt Lake City via Delta; 7 nights at Cliff Lodge at base of Snowbird; 6-day Snowbird-only lift pass; "Powder Perks" discount book for restaurants, stores, ski school, etc.; discount for Cliff Spa access and 20% off rental equipment; welcome reception; après ski party; pizza party; airport-hotel transfers; baggage handling; taxes. Payment: \$200 now to confirm reservation; \$500 due Sept. 30; balance due December 12.

Other: No-air deduct \$470; add \$100/pp for 6-day combined Alta-Snowbird pass; airline charge for checked bags.

Contact: Ken Cutcliffe, 860-508-2100, or at kencutcliffe@comcast.net

Alyeska, Alaska – March 10-17

Host: Montachusett Ski Club

Cost: \$1750/pp/double occupancy

Includes: Round-trip bus Fitchburg-Boston; air to Anchorage via Delta; ground transfers; 7 nights at Alyeska Hotel; full day in Anchorage at Cpt. Cook Hotel; 5-day ski pass; welcome breakfast or reception and orientation; taxes. Airline baggage fees apply. Singles add \$500; No lifts deduct \$240; No air deduct \$720; Ages 60-69 deduct \$60 off 5-day pass; Ages 70+ deduct \$240 and get tickets at \$15/day on-site.

Payment: \$550/pp due now; \$600/pp due Nov. 18; balance due Jan. 20

Contact: Jack McCarthy, 978-827-6293, (home) or yukonjax47@gmail.com.

Big Sky, Montana – April 7-14

Host: Goodmen Ski Club

Cost: Ranges from \$1339 to \$1450, based on occupancy and room type (lodge or condo available). Deduct \$200 for child 10 and under.

Includes: Round-trip air LaGuardia-Bozeman via Delta; ground transfers; 7 nights at accommodations of your choice; 5-day Big Ski ski pass; baggage handling; welcome reception; taxes; full daily breakfast for guests at Huntley lodge; après ski and pizza party. Airline baggage fees apply.

Payment: \$200 now to confirm reservation; \$500/pp due now; balance due: Feb. 1

Contact: Ken Cutcliffe, 866-508-2100, or at ken@greateventsandescapes.com.

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RACING CHAIRS: State Races –

Monday Night Racing – Rob Dexter

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BAD WEATHER

Bad weather may necessitate the
postponement of a CSC meeting.
Please check the CSC website at
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DIRECTIONS TO NEWINGTON POLISH CLUB

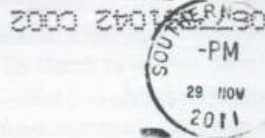
Wilson Ave., Newington

From Route 15/Berlin Turnpike, turn right
(from the north) onto Route 287 (Robbins Ave.)
at McDonald's. If you're coming from the
south, turn left at the McDonald's. Turn right
at second light onto Willard Ave. (Rte. 173).
Take second right onto Wilson Ave.
Polish Club is 2 blocks down, on the left.
Enter through door to the right of the main
entrance (right of the stairs). Go downstairs.
Phone: 860-302-7387.

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The purpose of the Connecticut Ski Council is to foster
and encourage organized amateur skiing and riding, to
assist in the development of new clubs, to sponsor and
run inter-club competition, promote club activity on and
off the snow, and to teach skiing and ski safety skills to
others. The council offers discounts on lift tickets, ski
trips, lodging, competitive racing, Nordic programs, ski
instruction, and social and sporting events, community
involvement, physical conditioning, meeting people and
having fun.



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