# **CONNECTICUT SKI COUNCIL**

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## GREETINGS FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Hello and welcome to May (showers)! The tulips and daffodils are in full bloom (or expired) and I trust that most of you have waxed and hung up your skis/boards until next autumn. That also means it's time to bring out the kayaks, golf clubs, bikes, tennis racquets, hiking gear, and start playing pickleball outdoors once again! If you ski/board you know and appreciate that what you do during your off-season will prepare you for a strong season on the snow, so keep that body moving and stay strong!

The CT Ski Council is moving into its quieter time of year as the snow leaves us, but our fun times and work still go on. The regular CSC meeting in May is where all club reps will need to return any unused vouchers for possible credit. Club reps need to acquire tickets for our upcoming Spring Picnic and turn in a check for those tickets previously sold (**NO** personal checks accepted). The By-Laws committee will meet this summer to review/update some areas. The virtual solicitation for our Online Auction will occur this summer too.

The call still goes out...I urge you to activate your members and get involved. Many clubs appreciate and look forward to CSC Awareness Days from our mountain partners. That program cannot continue without the dedicated effort of one person. It only takes a few phone calls during the summer/early autumn to our mountains, collect the dates and consolidate them for all of our clubs. The work is done prior to ski season and then that person can "rest on his laurels" for the remainder of the season. It couldn't be any easier!

Along with volunteers, the Council is still seeking a candidate for the office of Vice President, to serve a two-year term that will expire in April 2025. Thank you to Robert Kot who stepped up to fill the position in the short term when I transitioned into the office of President. Unfortunately, Robert's professional career has conflicting responsibilities that prohibit him from successfully continuing to serve. He will continue to chair the Kids' Day instruction program. Any candidates who are interested need to contact a member of our Nominating Committee: Paul D'Atilio (CAST), Kevin Cronin (Cronin), Joe Mahowski (Newington).

The CSC continues to have a plethora of activities for everyone. Our Spring Picnic under the pavilion in Falcon Athletic Field in New Britain will be held on Sat., June 24. Our SnowBall has been restored and will take place on Sat., Nov. 18, at our fabulous host partner, the Hartford/Windsor Marriott Hotel. Reservations for rooms and Hospitality Suites open August 1. Our Online Silent Auction will be held in the autumn as our official fundraiser (greatly reducing the labor required to manage the SnowBall). Monday Night Racing will continue as it always has along with Kids' Instruction Day. There is a possibility for us to schedule a race event at one of our Vail mountains in late winter, 2024. Our website is undergoing renovation as Cheryl Parmalee has stepped up to manage it. Our newsletter is edited and distributed 9 months of the year. We continue to have bulk tickets and Council Awareness days. Our ski shops in CT and some in VT give us discounts. These programs all exist due to several leaders stepping up to manage them and the active involvement of all of you and your ski club members. So many of you have been involved through the

## NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: Sept. 12, 2023 7:30 PM Back Nine at Stanley Golf Course

Following meeting: OCTOBER 10, 2023

#### **Newsletter Deadline**

Deadline for the September newsletter is August 20. Please send info to me at: <u>don.ludwig.45@gmail.com</u>. Thanks, Ginny Ludwig

#### Webmaster's Email

Please send all information you wish to have posted on the CSC's website to Cheryl Parmalee at: webmaster@skiclub.com

years; now it's time to step up and place yourself in a leadership role. We are more than happy to train and assist anyone who wants to serve.

Have a fabulous summer and I, along with others, enthusiastically look forward to seeing you at one of our programs, events, or meetings between now and September!

Marsha

## **Spring Picnic 2023**

Our Spring Picnic 2023 will take place on Saturday afternoon/evening, June 24, 2023 at Falcon Field, 723 Farmington Ave., New Britain, same as last year. Please plan to attend and enjoy the games, activities, a great band – Eight to the Bar – and socializing with your CSC friends. The food trucks will serve pizza, Mexican and soft ice cream – I am working on a fourth truck (maybe BBQ).

Tickets will be \$20 in advance, \$25 at the gate, and will include a \$6 coupon for the food trucks. Tickets will be available at the May CSC meeting. I will be at the Back Nine on Tues., June 13 from 7:00 to 8:00 PM to accept final payments (check payable to CSC), and any unsold tickets from each club. Additional tickets will also be available. Kids 12 and under are free when accompanied by an adult. No ticket and no food truck coupon issued. We ask each club to estimate the number of kids attending by June 13.

The gate will open at 3:00 pm. The food trucks will serve from 3:30 to 7:00 PM; ice cream from 5:00 to 7:00 PM and the band will play from 6:00 to 9:00 pm. The event is BYOB. Clubs are welcome to bring snacks, appetizers, etc., but please make ample use of the food trucks for your entrees/meals. If anyone has any picnic games to bring let me know.

The event flier, club member-sign-up sheet and other info will be posted on our website soon. If anyone has photos from last year's picnic, please forward a few to me for our website.

Thanks in advance to all those clubs on the Picnic 2023 committee: Cronin, Double Diamond , Electric Boat, Metroland, Montachusett, NAVA , and UConn.

Dave Zuraw CSC Ambassador 203-232-9057 © <u>dscwebmaster@yahoo.com</u>

## Ski Grindelwald, Wengen & Murren, Switzerland

Hosted by Danbury Ski Club February 16-24, 2024 - President's Week

Includes: R/T flight to Zurich from NY/EWR (Newark) and Boston/Logan on Swiss Air – skis fly free! 10 people minimum for Boston flight option. Deluxe motorcoach transfers, all taxes, surcharges, portage.; 7 nights at 3star Hotel Derby in Grindelwald, the heart of the Jungfrau region; welcome wine & cheese reception; full European breakfast daily and dinner each evening. DSC members get their membership extended by 1 year; non-Danbury members get a free membership! *Cost:* \$2,895 pp/double; \$3,345 single. Land only deduct \$750. Boston departure deduct \$100. Lift tickets are additional. *Questions:* DSC.Grindelwald.2024@gmail.com. *Info:* danburyski.com/Grindelwald2024

## **Bulk Ticket Notice**

Bulk tickets for Killington/Pico MUST be returned to me no later than May 9, 2023. Anything received after that date will NOT be returned for credit.

Nancy Nolan

## **OnSnow Winter Carnival**

The CSC is working on several possibilities for a modified Winter Carnival, race day and/or other CSC ski/snowboard activities. Stand by..... Dave Zuraw, CSC Ambassador 2023 203-232-9057 <u>dscwebmasater@yahoo.com</u>

## Ski Andorra with Danbury Ski Club

Plus 2 nights in Barcelona, Spain January19-28, 2024

### Includes:

R/T flight to Barcelona from NY/JFK (Iberian Air); and Boston/Logan (Swiss Air – 10 people minimum); Deluxe motorcoach transfers, all taxes, surcharges, portage; 6 nights in Sport Hotel Village at Grandvalira Ski Resort; welcome wine & cheese reception; full European breakfast and dinner daily; 2 nights at Hotel El Avenida Palace, Barcelona (no dinner). Grandvalira is part of Ikon Pass – no charge for passholders. Buy an Ikon pass through Danbury Ski Club and get \$100 off for a FULL Ikon pass and \$50 off Ikon base pass. No Ikon pass – 5-day lift ticket is 280 euros (est.) DSC members get 1-year free extended membership; nonmembers given free membership. *Cost:* \$2,545 pp/double; \$3,545 single.

Land only: deduct \$650. Boston departure add \$250. *Questions:* <u>DSC.Andorra.2024@gmail.com</u>. *Info at:* DanburySki.com/Andorra2024.

### SNOWBOUND EXPO

Nov. 3-5, 2023 at Boston Convention Center

Highlights include:

Chiro Clinic by Beacon Chiropractic & Performance – helping to work through pain to return to the snow; Gear, apparel, tech support and resorts represented. Check media channels for ticket availability.

### CONNECTICUT SKI COUNCIL

2022-2023 Season Officers

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## CT SKI COUNCIL MEETING LOCATION: The Back 9 Restaurant at Stanley Golf Course, 245 Hartford Avenue, New Britain

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Visit our website at skiclub.com. 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.