

CONNECTICUT SKI COUNCIL

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GREETINGS FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

"A person should have wings to carry them where their dreams go, but sometimes a pair of skis makes a good substitute." Hans Gmoser, Austrian mountaineer

We are "marching" toward spring and I hope you have had opportunities to enjoy the season of "snow" and all of the joy it brings. If you haven't yet, time is getting short and you must get out there! Connecticut and our surrounding New England states have been rewarded with snow this winter...a coating of white to cleanse the air and refresh our playground. We lovers of snow season play on the snow whether it be with snowshoes, or Alpine or Nordic skis on our feet; play brings us joy and is refreshing to our spirit.

The leaders within your Council have had a busy and productive season on the snow. Rob Dexter has continued to provide the structure for the 52nd year of Monday Night racing at Mount Southington. His unwavering dedication to organizing our Race League is the reason behind its continued success. Robert Kot has managed the Kids Learn to Ski/Snowboard Day event for his third year. He has selflessly been the sole registrar and manager of this event for those three years.

Congratulations to the New Haven Ski Club racers as they took first place in our Monday Night race series! Newington took second place, and Mt. Laurel third. The enthusiasm and camaraderie of the racers over eight weeks add to the success of this event. Approximately 120 racers participated every Monday evening. Mount Southington graciously hosted us and provided us with the opportunity to celebrate and socialize together following each race. Rob Dexter continued to sort the results and distribute them to every ski club's race chairman before the night was over.

Well done everyone and thank you, Rob! Now, remember to return your race bibs to Rob, PLEASE!!

Mount Southington was the host for our Kids Learn to Ski/Snowboard Day on February 1, 2025. Twenty youth participated in the event this year – including several snowboarders!

We are preparing for an entire weekend of Discounted Appreciation Days at Ragged Mountain in New Hampshire, on March 14, 15 and 16, 2025. The Council will provide a motor coach bus on Saturday, March 15. The maximum number of riders is 50 – so first come, first served. Please check with your Council representatives to find out how to get on board! Registration deadline is Tuesday, March 11. Please read all the details on this event elsewhere in this newsletter.

That's all for now. Get out there and enjoy that snow while we have it. Once the snow disappears from our landscape in Connecticut there will still be plenty of snow in northern New England and in western USA. Keep your skis/snowboards waxed and sharpened to enjoy the freedom of gliding down and around the mountains. The peacefulness, sense of freedom and beauty of the landscape continue to draw us back. Warren Miller said: "A pair of skis are the ultimate transportation to freedom." I hope to see you "on the snow" enjoying it whether it be on skis or snowboards.

Marsha

**NEXT
COUNCIL MEETING:
MARCH 4, 2025
7:30 PM
Back Nine at Stanley
Golf Course
Following meeting:
APRIL 1, 2025**

Newsletter Deadline

Deadline for the April newsletter is March 20. Please send info to me at: don.ludwig.45@gmail.com. Thanks, Ginny Ludwig

Webmaster's Email

Please send all information you wish to have posted on the CSC's website to Cheryl Parmelee at: cparmelee@aeski.com

Council Appreciation Ski Days

Our CSC APPRECIATION DAY COORDINATOR is Ian Ellmore, and his contact info is: ian.ellmore@gmail.com.

Get on Board the Bus!

Come and join us (the CT Ski Council) for our inaugural Discounted Appreciation Days at Ragged Mountain in New Hampshire!

The dates are Friday, Saturday and Sunday, March 14, 15, and 16, 2025, and will have special pricing for all members of our CSC clubs. Daily lift ticket prices: Adults - \$79.00; Seniors/Youth - \$54.00. Show your member card at the ticket window and save!! In addition, the CSC will host a roundtrip motor coach ride from the Back Nine Tavern in New Britain on Saturday, March 15. The price for the motor coach is \$85.00 per person. Riders must pre-register no later than Tuesday, March 11, 2025. Sleep on the trip to Ragged, and party on the way home!!

Please send an email to Marsha Baretta at: skimars93@gmail.com for registration information. The bus trip is only available to the first 50 registrants!

NBS Eastern Region Presents

Fire & Frost Winter Fest

Includes:

Friendly Takeover - Apres Ski
Discounted Lift Tickets/Rentals and Lessons
On-Snow Fun Activities
Day Party

**March 7, 8, 9, 2025
Sunday River Resort**

Registration Cost:
\$125 Adults - \$50 Young Adults - \$25 Children

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ELECTIONS FOR VICE PRESIDENT

WHEN At the April 1, 2025 CSC meeting

WHAT Election of a new CSC Vice President

INFO This is a two-year term. Jane Suto currently holds this position.

Anyone who would like to be considered should notify the nominating committee to be placed on the ballot. Contact one of us directly, or make a nomination in private in the chat at next month's zoom meeting.

CONTACT

Joe Mahowski (Newington Ski Club)

Kevin Cronin (Cronin Ski Club)

Paul Dattilio (The CAST Ski Club)

Greetings from Web Land!

Our website is only as good as the content we post. While I try to get a little creative, I encourage clubs to submit fun pictures and events that you all have, to make our site more engaging.

In addition, I am looking to create a cloud site where a personal name is not attached and we can house documents or XLS spreadsheets. Sometimes we like to share information, however under our current host, we are only allowed to upload PDF format. This means we cannot collect information via XLS without using google forms. Google forms is a challenge for people trying to access from their workplace and some clubs are based from their employer.

Please share any content with cpamelee@aeskiclub.com and I will do my best to make timely updates to our site. Many thanks, and shred 'til you're jelly.

Cheryl

CSC RACING – LOTS OF INFO!

I went back and did lots of updating. Please note that there have been changes to the following reports:

Report #2 – all 8 week reports

Report #4 – only final week #8 as this is a summary

Report #5 – only the final report. I had to scan it as it has some manual calculations

This will all be posted on the CSC racing web page.

Our Awards Party at Southington is Monday, March 17, starting at 6:30 PM (sorry; last time I had the date wrong)

The Mater's Racing Cup has invited all CSC racers to race with them at Catamount on Sunday, March 2. Registration and further details are available by contacting Peter Knaus at mobile number 860-729-9090.

The MA Senior Games will be held at Wachusetts on Wednesday, March 12 – go to their website to register(<https://www.maseniorgames.org/register>) This is open to any racer over 50; results by age division. A meal is included. This is usually a great day of racing – 2 GS runs, one Super G.

I have many bibs that were not turned in – here is the list, which does not include last year's missing bibs:
1, 10, 16, 20, 21, 22, 37, 41, 43, 48, 59, 62, 67, 82, 85, 93, 94, 95, 96, 102, 104, 107, 110. 212, 215, 227, 236, 245, 246, 260, 264, 266, 267, 270, 271, 273, 278, 280, 285, 289, 294, 295, 289, 294, 295, 298, 299. 301, 303, 304, 305.

This is a total of 48 missing bibs. Clubs will be assessed a \$35 replacement fee per bib if not turned in by the awards party. Easy way to comply: mail them to me at 146 Selden Hill Drive, West Hartford, CT 06107.

Also – for results: I never got a perm number on the following: bibs 89, 94, 118, 311. Therefore, they are not included in the team score, which will not make a difference in the team's standing, but I want the bibs back.

It was a great ski racing season – I hope you enjoyed it!!

Rob Dexter, CSC Race Chairperson
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CT SKI COUNCIL MEETING LOCATION:
The Back 9 Restaurant at Stanley Golf Course,
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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.

