
CONNECTICUT SKI COUNCIL

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AMBASSADOR'S ANGLE

Hi Everyone,

I hope you are having an enjoyable and restful summer!

We are already in full swing for the 2007 Snowball on November 10.

The planning committee recently met and came up with some fantastic ideas that will be sure to give you a great time! Our theme for this year's Snowball will be *Downhill Dreams*. I know that many of you are already dreaming about the next ski season, so this seemed fitting.

One of the exciting new ideas for this year's Snowball is an official drink. The committee and I will be asking the clubs to come up with a drink (either original or an existing drink) and a name to go along with it that relates to skiing and/or the theme of the night. The Hartford/Windsor Marriott bartenders will then prepare the official drink for us the night of the Ball. Start thinking and creating - more details will be coming!

As you know, prior to the Snowball is Ambassador Day. This is when the 2007-2008 Ambassador will be selected. Please let your Ambassador know that this day will be

October 28, 2007, in Southington. Also, please let him/her know that there will be an organizational meeting prior to the September CSC meeting. If they have any questions, please contact me.

There is now a link up on the Ambassador page of the CSC website for hotel rooms for the Snow ball night. Rooms are \$99. per night and can be reserved by clicking on this link. There is also a hotel flier that is available to print for all your members.

I am looking for a representative from the Swedish Ski Club to contact me. I do not have any current contact information.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact me at kjo408@aol.com.

Finally, I want to thank the Snowball planning committee for all your enthusiasm and ideas! It was a blast meeting with all of you and I look forward to making this an extremely successful Snowball. Have a great Summer!

Kristine Johnson
CSC Ambassador, 2006-2007

THANKS TO COUNCIL CLUBS FOR COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Overdue thanks need to go to the many Council clubs and club members who supported a benefit spaghetti dinner held last February in Ludlow, Vermont, home of Ludlow Ambulance Squad and home base to at least 5 club lodges and Okemo Ski Resort.

The Ludlow Ambulance Squad (LAS) supports the general Okemo area and includes at least 5 surrounding towns. This is a volunteer squad that has served the community for years. One of their member's family had tragedy strike Thanksgiving weekend, with the young father of the family sustaining severe and critical injuries. His tragedy has made normal life a dream right now for his family. Members from the Mt. Laurel, Newington, Norwalk, Manchester, Pequot and Nutmeg Ski Clubs not only attended this event, but gave additional support through donations and the purchase of raffle tickets.

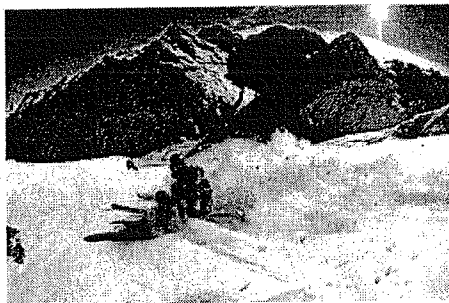
With so many of us benefitting from volunteerism in our ski communities, it is very gratifying to all of us living up here to see the support that the CSC community gives back to those who work behind the scenes to make it safe for us to play. As a member of LAS, a member of the CSC and friend to many in the CSC, I want to thank you on behalf of the LAS and its family for the support you provided that cold winter night.

Sue Poirier

February 08-17, 2008

Connecticut Ski Council
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Ski
Andorra



Round trip air transportation from JFK Airport to Barcelona
Barcelona/Andorra hotel transfers with an English speaking guide

Eight-nights, double occupancy, accommodations;

* Six-nights at the, four-star, ArtHotel with . . .

Welcome reception
Breakfast daily
Dinner daily
Resort transfer (for skiers/riders)

* Two-nights, accommodations at the, deluxe, four-star, Hotel

Avenida Palace in Barcelona with breakfast buffet daily and a guided city tour of Barcelona with an English speaking guide

Taxes, air fees; portage and luggage handling gratuities and a trip escort

Options . . .

Skiing at Andorra's five resorts with daily skiers' shuttle to Vall Nord.
(currently being negotiated for Grand Valira). – Rates are currently estimated at \$us48/day and will be age dependent.



The two-day extension in Barcelona (Monday, Presidents' Day) includes one free night/day in Andorra (07 Feb) for the first 30 participants.

Early arrival (one-day/night) option is offered with the extension only, at no additional cost.



**GRAND
VALIRA**

Single supplement lodging is available

Day trip to Historic Fortified City of Carcassonne (France)
with an English speaking guide

Trip cancellation and medical emergency insurance

Dates . . .

Core trip: Friday, February 8 - 17, 2008

Extension Option: Thursday, February 7- 19, 2008

Pricing:

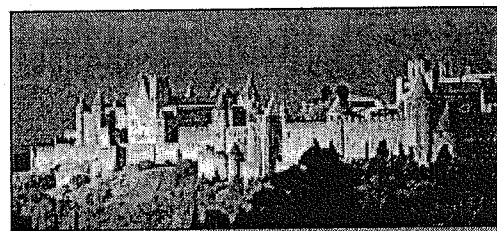
The base price \$1698 - Includes \$216 air taxes and fuel surcharges

Extension: Add \$250

Terms:

Deposit due upon sign-up: \$450/participant. Make checks payable to "Alphorn Tours" and send to CSC Trips Director, George Krampetz, 3 Eustis Ave, Danbury, Connecticut 06811, 203 743-1801

Balance due: November 15, 2007 (Subject to cancellation if not received prior to due date).



Carcassonne, a UNESCO World Heritage Site

Trip Coordinator: Don Schoch, 203 426-8201, ddschoch@att.net

A NOTE FROM THE BULK TICKET COORDINATORS.....

All the unused vouchers from last season (2006-07) have been returned, and we are still awaiting verification from a few ski resorts as to the final credits due the CSC. We hope to get the credit verifications to all ski clubs by the end of July.

The ski resorts have been contacted about pricing for next season but to date, none of the pricing has been finalized. Watch for bulk ticket information in the September CSC newsletter.

Enjoy the rest of your summer. We'll see you in September.
Nancy and Ginny, Bulk Ticket Coordinators

2008 On Snow Carnival

Save the date! The CSC's 2008 On Snow Carnival weekend is February 29-March 2. Okemo will be our host for this year's games and races. More information will be available in the fall, but mark your calendars now!

ATTENTION ASIA CERTIFIED MEMBERS!

A special opportunity awaits you! You don't have to pay for your refresher weekend - simply sign up FOUR new ASIA members who will take the certification program this year, and you get a FREE 2-day program for yourself. Look for details in the ASIA newsletter.

This year we will offer Level 1 at Okemo Mountain on two consecutive weekends. Level 1 pre-course will be December 1 and 2, and the exam will be December 8 and 9. The refresher for ASIA members will be December 8/9 at Okemo. Put these dates on your calendar now.

If you're ready to go on to the next level, Level II will be offered at Belleayre in New York. Go to the ASIA website for details at www.asiaski.com. The Killington Spring Rally is set for March 15/16. This is a great program for those who love the steeps, deeps and trees and it's a great way to have some end-of-season fun. I'll ask for more of that fluffy white stuff again, so we can do some powder skiing! I have already put in my request for more snow than last December, so get those boards ready early!

Until then - keep your ski legs in shape this summer with some hiking, biking and whatever else you enjoy!

Nancy Nolan
ASIA Connecticut Director

CSC MEMBERSHIP CENSUS COMPLETE!

In January, the Council agreed to update its club membership numbers between the April and May Council meetings. The purpose was multifold: to create a baseline to track the participation in and growth or decline of snow sports in CT, and to show our sponsors the value of their investments. At that time, I contacted club reps, membership chairpeople, presidents and others in the know in our clubs, and 33 of our 39 clubs responded. For the remaining 6 clubs, I estimated their numbers based on past information. Many thanks to all who helped make this possible!

For the 2006-07 season, the total number of members (member = one body, regardless of age) in our clubs is 19,191. Information on each club is available on the Council database. Contact Rich Cholewinski to obtain access.

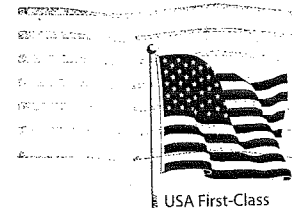
This is a great step in tracking our successes and potential. Contact me at spcolby@gmail.com if you have questions. Have a great summer!

Sue Poirier

ATTENTION CSC GOLFERS

The First Annual Mt. Southington Charity Golf Event to benefit the CT Children's Medical Center Adaptive Ski Program takes place August 5. The event is at Southington Country Club, 150 Savage Road. Registration in \$85 per person, starting at 10 AM. Tee-off is at 10:30; play is scramble format. Includes fees and cart, hot dogs, buffet dinner. Contact Mike Cirillo at 203-430-1280 for additional information. Come out and support our race hosts, Mt. Southington and the Adaptive Ski Program!

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DIRECTIONS:

Polish American Club, Union City, CT
Rt. 8 North to exit 28 (Union City).
Go straight off exit ramp through light;
go left at next light onto Rt. 68 West.
Take a left at stop sign and first left onto
Pulaski Walk.
From Rt. 8 South take exit 28.
Take right off the exit ramp. Go approx.
1 mile and take a left onto Golden Court
(follow signs to Rt. 68). Take a right onto
Rt. 68 West and follow directions above.
Polish American Club is at the end of the
deadend street on the right



When bad weather necessitates the
postponement of a CSC meeting, please call
the Polish American Club at 203-723-5047
after 4:00 PM on the day in question, or
check the CSC website at skiclub.com.

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The purpose of the Connecticut Ski Council is to foster and encourage organized amateur skiing, 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.