

# CONNECTICUT SKI COUNCIL

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As I write this, the last day of Winter 2016 has dawned as another unusually warm day. What a contrast to the past few seasons!! Well...do your best to use as many unused vouchers as possible!

The Connecticut Ski Council didn't let any of this dampen our enthusiasm, as we completed a very spirited Monday Night Racing series at Mt Southington. The Mt Southington staff and The Eatery did a great job in hosting our racers and spectators throughout the season, as we managed to get in 7 weeks of competition. Please take time to thank **Rob Dexter, Pat Moore**, and all of the **Club Race Captains**. Twelve Council clubs fielded teams, and **Mt. Laurel** took first place for the second year running, with Newington in second and AE taking third. Congratulate all of those who came out to compete and engage in the après race activities.

The fun and competition continued at the CSC OnSnow Carnival, held this year at Sugarbush, as 15 clubs were represented in the three days of fun that were ably run by **Ron Kaprazewski, Adela Martinez** and the **Newington Ski Club**. Danbury and Mt. Laurel tied for second place. This is Newington's second straight year as OnSnow weekend champions. Danbury won the Club race, and has the honor of running the racing events at OnSnow in 2017. The bids have already gone out to the mountain resorts for next year's OnSnow Carnival, March 3, 4, and 5, 2017. It would be wonderful to see more clubs take advantage of this event, so mark your calendars now, and get the word out to your members that this is a really fun weekend.

We also have already chosen the **Kids' Learn-to-Ski Day** for next season – we will be at Mt Southington on January 22, 2017 (details to follow), with **Dave England** once again accepting the responsibility of running this great event.

These activities represent the CT Ski Council achieving our number one objective – **THE ENCOURAGEMENT, ADVANCEMENT AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE SPORT OF SKIING!!**

Our annual meeting and officer elections will be held at the Whinstone Tavern on Tuesday, April 12, so be sure that your club is fully represented by your allotted number of delegates – make your vote count! The Election committee of Paul D'Atillio, Drew Berescik and Kevin Cronin have put together the slate for your consideration and under the new ByLaws, the President, Vice President and Treasurer will be elected for two-year terms.

At the May meeting, we will be accepting return bulk tickets, so have your club's bulk ticket chairperson get all of your club's unused tickets together in anticipation of this meeting. In addition, we will need your current Club Membership rosters, as these will determine the CSC sticker counts for distribution at the September meeting.

On May 7, we will have the 2017 **OnSnow selection meeting** and picnic. **Ron Kaprazewski and Lisa Day** have agreed to open their home for this event, and your club gets to vote on the location for the OnSnow Carnival based on your delegate allocation (by club membership size.) We will announce the mountain selected at the May meeting.

We will be working to improve the Council website for the coming 2016-2017 season, so let our Council webmaster, **Bill Leuze**, know if you have any suggestions on how to make this more relevant to your club members.

As mentioned at the last meeting, if your club is planning a ski trip for the coming season, and you have struggled with participation in the past, please start your planning now – or, better yet – encourage your club to participate in the CSC trip. If you begin your planning in the Fall, it is much more difficult to get the best price and time. Remember, the Council website is a great place to advertise your club trip!

Thank you all for your support of the Connecticut Ski Council. Having fun takes a lot of volunteers stepping up to share the work necessary to make sure that the Council makes Winter activities available to all of our clubs and their members.

Jonathan

## COUNCIL MEETING:

**APRIL 12, 2016**

**Note Location**

**WHINSTONE TAVERN at  
Stanley Golf Course,  
New Britain, 7:30 PM**

**Following meeting:  
May 10, 2016**

## ALL REPS

Election of officers takes place at April meeting. Use proxy form inside if you are unable to attend.

Race Awards will be handed out at 7:00 PM, prior to the April meeting.

## Bulk Ticket RETURNS

ALL unused bulk tickets must be returned at the MAY CSC meeting. NO EXCEPTIONS!!

The return form for the southern tier will be mailed to bulk ticket coordinators in April. **PLEASE RETURN ALL VOUCHERS**, whether or not your club exceeds the allowable percentage of returns.

After all resorts have verified the returns, club coordinators will be notified of the amount of credit your club will receive towards the purchase of next season's vouchers.

Nancy, Ginny, Cheryl and Mark  
CSC Bulk Ticket Coordinators

## Council Appreciation Days at Stowe April 8-10

Open to all ski club or Ski Council members. (Clubs and Councils must be a member of the National Ski Council Federation.)

Prices: Adult (13+ years)	Child (6-12 years)
1 day - \$45	1 day - \$33
2 day - \$90	2 day - \$66
3 day - \$135	3 day - \$99

Go to Mansfield Base lodge Guest Service Desk. Valid club card with CSC sticker required. In addition, participants must present or purchase (\$5) an Evolution StoweCard (non-refundable). It is an RFID card specific to each participant.

## Annual Election of CSC Officers

The election of officers of the CT Ski Council for the 2016-2018 seasons takes place on April 12, 2016, at the CSC meeting. The Nominating committee is placing the following candidates on the 2016-2018 election ballot. Other candidates who would like to be placed on this year's ballot should contact the committee prior to the April meeting. Nominations will be accepted from the floor on the night of balloting, provided the nominee is present.

The slate of officers is:

President: Jonathan Houck

Vice President: Adela Martinez

Treasurer: Jessica Willis

The Nominating committee would like to thank this year's candidates for their continued support of and dedication to the CT Ski Council. Without you, none of this would be possible. This year's elections, under the newly-enacted By-Laws, will be for a two-year term. Any club representative who is unable to attend the elections can vote by proxy. All completed proxy forms must be brought to the April meeting and will be reviewed for compliance to election rules as stated in Roberts Rules of Order. A proxy form is included in this newsletter. Please use a separate form for each proxy delegate.

The CSC Nominating committee:

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## BOSTON SKI & BOARD EXPO 2016

Wednesday, May 4, 6:30 – 9:30 PM, Andover Country Club, 62 Canterbury St., Andover, MA

Great Events & Escapes is sponsoring R/T motorcoach transportation and private reception with prizes for CSC guests!

Resort and Mountain exhibitors from the U.S. and Canada will share information about their properties. A fun night featuring fantastic prizes, hors d'oeuvres and cash bar! Pre-registration required. This is great for club trip leaders and presidents for 2017 planning. For more info go to [greateventsandescapes.com/skishow/attendees.htm](http://greateventsandescapes.com/skishow/attendees.htm).

ANDOVER SHOW COACH – reservations required. Contact Jane Suto at [jsuto@lesterusa.com](mailto:jsuto@lesterusa.com). Only 4 guests per club allowed.

Bus times and stops: New Haven – 3:00 PM at IKEA parking lot; Meriden – 3:30 PM at Bee Street Commuter Lot  
Bloomfield – 4:00 PM at 91N, Exit 35A & 35B, Rte 218 Commuter Lot 4  
Vernon – 4:30 PM at 84E, Exit 67 Commuter Lot

**Connecticut Ski Council**  
**2016-2018 Officer Election**  
**Delegate Proxy**

NOTE: Any delegate who is unable to attend the elections may submit this signed proxy in his stead. This proxy must be submitted at the annual meeting, prior to the vote. Please use a separate form for each proxy.

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

CLUB: \_\_\_\_\_

DELEGATE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DELEGATE SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

CLUB PRESIDENT OR VICE PRESIDENT SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby acknowledge that I am a member in good standing of the above stated club, and that my delegate vote is assigned to the following proxy:

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(Please print name of designee)

The above designee will be in attendance at the April CSC meeting for the election of 2016-2018 CSC officers.

## SAVE THE DATE!

### Plan Ahead for the 2017 CSC Kids' Day

Date: Sunday, January 22, 2017  
Place: Mt. Southington Ski Resort  
Time: 3:00 to 10:00 PM

FREE lift tickets for kids ages 5 to 18  
FREE lessons for kids from 4:00-6:00 PM  
FREE Pizza Party starting at 6:15 PM

CSC-member adults can sponsor non-member kids.  
CSC-member adults can purchase lift ticket for \$25.  
(With valid CSC membership card and photo ID)

More info and registration forms in September.

This all comes about because of the generosity of  
the CSC and Mt. Southington – we thank them!

Dave England, Chairman

## ADD THESE DATES TO YOUR CALENDARS!!!

The next onsnow carnival will be

March 3-4-5, 2017.

The location will be decided this coming May.

## Can't Get to the Boston Ski Show?

Go to the New Jersey Ski Travel show instead.  
Sunday, May 1, 1:00-4:00 PM  
Party at 4:00 PM with prizes!  
Marriott Hanover, in Whippany, New Jersey  
973-538-8811 for info and directions.

## FROM OUR AMBASSADOR

At this time, I am asking each club president to let me know who the new officers are in your respective clubs, including the Ambassador. Also, if your club has a desire to do a certain job for the Snowball, feel free to request it. My phone is 860-921-7324, and my email is [jancohen2001@yahoo.com](mailto:jancohen2001@yahoo.com).

Thank you so much, and happy Spring.  
Janice Cohen  
2016 CSC Ambassador

## SAVE THIS DATE TOO!

The Snowball will be November 12, 2016 at the Hartford-Windsor Marriott.

## MONDAY NIGHT RACING

All race results are on both the CSC racing web page, and Mt. Laurel Skiers web page.

**The State and Monday Night awards will be handed out at the April CSC meeting, Tuesday, April 12, 7 PM. Please be sure to have someone from your club pick up all the awards.**

Rob Dexter  
CSC Racing Chairman  
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## Newsletter Deadline

Next deadline: April 20 for May newsletter. Please send info to me at [donald.ludwig@sbcglobal.net](mailto:donald.ludwig@sbcglobal.net). Thanks, Ginny

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**BAD WEATHER**

Bad weather may necessitate the  
postponement of a CSC meeting.  
Please check the CSC website at  
skiclub.com.

**CSC MEETING LOCATION:**

**WHINSTONE TAVERN at Stanley Golf Course,  
245 Hartford Ave., New Britain**

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Visit our website at [skiclub.com](http://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.

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