

CONNECTICUT SKI COUNCIL

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

And so it begins!

Thank you all for your attendance at the October Council meeting – most of the clubs have gotten their membership stickers for the upcoming season, and bulk tickets have been ordered – to be distributed at the November 8 meeting.

WHAT'S going on?

MEETING PLACE – An update on the meeting place – we will have a new location picked by the November meeting, as the current location will shut down for renovations by the new lease-holder. As most of you know, the Whinstone Tavern is owned by the City of New Britain, and the lease will be awarded within the next few weeks. We assume that the property will be renovated by the chosen lease-holder during the winter months. **PLEASE KEEP ON THE ALERT FOR A GROUP E-MAIL AS TO THE NEW LOCATION.**

BULK TICKETS – Nancy, Ginny, Cheryl and Mark will have the bulk tickets that your club ordered ready for pick-up at the November meeting. And when you do so – thank these four for the incredible job that they do to keep all of this straight.

CSC STICKERS – have been distributed to all but a handful of clubs. If you have not gotten them, please check to ensure that your club's CSC dues have been paid up, and come to the November meeting to get them. For clubs needing additional stickers, we will have them available at all of the meetings. You have to sign for additional numbered stickers, and you are responsible for seeing that they are used properly within the guidelines of the Awareness Days program.

CSC SKI TRIP – Scheduled for March 11-18, 2017, hosted by Jane Suto – a **GREAT trip with GREAT people at a GREAT value.** Details are on the flyer on the website. Contact Jane if you are interested.

CSC APPRECIATION/AWARENESS DAYS - John Filakovsky is working hard to finalize all of the

Appreciation days. As soon as the list is ready, it will be posted on the website, and the website calendar as well. Be patient and appreciative of the amazing job that John does in arranging this season-long program.

CSC TREASURER – We have rescheduled the special election to fill this position for the next two-year term to take place at the November business meeting. We felt that the additional delay was necessary because the bulk ticket process had already begun, and this would put an undue burden on the incoming Treasurer. This will involve a vote of the Board at the November 8 meeting.

CSC EVENTS – I hope that everyone is looking forward to the annual **SNOWBALL on Saturday Nov. 12 at the Windsor Marriott.** The Snowball committee held a great Ambassadors' Day at the home of Pat Revoir on October 16 (Thank you, Pat!) and 12 clubs participated with 8 Ambassadors present. We will be looking for every club to come to the Snowball. Janice Cohen, Adela Martinez, and their committee have done a wonderful job to ensure that everyone will have a terrific time at our annual fundraising bash to welcome the advent of the winter fun season!

MONDAY NIGHT RACING – begins at Mt. Southington in December – hopefully, weather permitting! Get your club's racing enthusiasts ready! Thank you Rob Dexter for arranging this for the benefit of all who participate.

KIDS' LEARN-TO-SKI-DAY will be at Mt. Southington, Sunday, January 22. See the information and sign-up form on the website. Please contact Dave England with your club's list of participants, and let him know how much we appreciate his enthusiasm and hard work on this program. (continued on page 2)

COUNCIL MEETING:

NOV. 8, 2016

Note Location

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

**Following meeting:
December 13, 2016**

Next Newsletter Deadline

Deadline for the December newsletter is November 20. Please email all items to me: donald.ludwig@sbcglobal.net. Thanks, Ginny Ludwig

Reminders:

*Hartford Courant Ski Show
Oct. 30, Aqua Turf, Plantsville*

Awareness day schedule changes:

Feb. 23 at Mt. Snow not at Sunapee; Feb. 24 – TBA

*Newington open house
Nov. 18, 7:00-10:00 PM at
Newington Polish American
Club*

**Mt. Snow's CT Ski Council
Everyday Benefits** with valid CSC card & sticker & photo ID to get the daily group rate ticket. Clocktower building Mon-Fri, Sundance lodge on weekends/holidays. Mt. Snow Customer Appreciation days: Dec 18 - \$37; Jan 8 - \$50; Feb 26 - \$50; Mar 12 - \$45

Ambassador's Angle

Ambassador Day was a beautiful day filled with sunshine, pictures, food and drink, and surprises. Thank you, Pat Revoir, for your hospitality. There are some clubs that have not turned in their Snowball tickets and ticket logs. Either mail them to me, or settle up at the next meeting. If you have not paid by then, you will be charged the \$30 at the door, even if you have a ticket.

At this time, all raffle prizes, banners, and awards should be turned in. Our raffle and program committees are working diligently. All electronic ads for the program need to be emailed to marklrobaille@gmail.com with "snowball ad" in the subject area.

Thank you for sticking to deadlines so that others can carry on with their responsibilities.

Janice Cohen, CSC Ambassador

Bulk Ticket info

All orders have been placed with the resorts, and we plan to distribute them to the club ticket reps at the November 8 meeting. **All orders must be picked up – NO EXCEPTIONS.**

An email will be sent to club bulk ticket reps outlining the procedure for the second order that will be placed December 1. This will be the only chance to order more tickets this season, so please notify all of your members, and be aware of the deadline your club establishes.

Nancy and Ginny, Southern Tier
Cheryl and Mark, Northern Tier
CSC Bulk Ticket Coordinators

RACING DATES

Monday Night racing kicks off on Dec. 19 with a pre-registration and pizza night at Mt. Southington, since we usually can't ski on that date. See the website for full race and bib schedule.

CT State races are open to all CSC members or CT residents. *Giant Slalom* is Wed., Jan. 11 (rain date Jan. 18) at Mt. Southington at 7:00 PM.

Slalom is Wed., Feb. 8 (rain date Feb. 15), same time and place.

Super G is Fri., Mar. 3 at Loon, NH at 9:30 AM (OnSnow weekend)

President's Message, continued

CSC OnSNOW CARNIVAL – will be held at Loon Mountain, March 3, 4 and 5, 2017. Please pay attention to the website, as lodging options are posted. This will be our first carnival at Loon – a great chance to explore a new mountain while having fun with your friends in your club and other clubs in the Council.

COMMUNICATIONS AND WEBSITE – Be sure to thank Ginny Ludwig for the stellar job that she does in compiling this newsletter on a monthly basis.

And a **BIG THANK YOU** to Bill Leuze and the communications committee for our "new look" Council website. I am sure that you all will find it a big improvement over what we had. Be sure to get back to Bill with any comments and suggestions for further tweaking. And please – share this website with your membership!

Enjoy your Thanksgiving and late Fall – let's all take advantage of the hard work done by so many to enhance the winter experience for us all.

Jonathan

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Professional Ski Instructors, Eastern Division Consulting Service

For YOU, the CSC member who has it in your heart to help other CSC club members improve skiing skills, this is an opportunity for you!

Purpose – learn how to give ski instruction; receive cert. of completion
Date – December 17 and 18

Registration – 8:00-9:00 AM; Clinic 9:00 AM to 3:00/4:00 PM

Cost - \$192 (per person, up to 10 participants); plus \$92 2-day lift ticket;
(\$100 per person if more than 10 participants)

(Waiting list will be kept if necessary)

No Snow? Clinic will take place indoors, with pizza and soft drinks at a minimal fee, in addition to clinic charge.

Last Day to register – November 8

Qualifications – Participants should be able to ski all groomed blue terrain in control, without resorting to a wedge for speed control

Curriculum – How to teach a skill; how to develop trust in the learner; mechanics of a good parallel turn; 5 fundamentals to good skiing; exercises to improve fundamentals; common inefficiencies.

If you are interested in this program, please contact Dave England no later than November 8 at 860-871-1257, or at England_dave70@yahoo.com.

Connecticut Ski Council
2017 LAKE TAHOE SKI TRIP

Date: March 11 to March 18, 2017

Trip Includes: R/T from LaGuardia to Sacramento via United; R/T airport to hotel transfers; baggage handling; all current taxes; Seven nights at Forest Suites Resort; Welcome reception March 12; Breakfast daily; Five-day lift pass to Heavenly, Northstar and Kirkwood (shuttle additional); \$100 per person Helly Hanson gift card provided by Vail Resorts

Price: \$1580/pp, based on 4 persons per 2 bedroom/2 bath suite; \$1680/pp, based on 3 persons per 2 bedroom/2 bath suite \$500 per person deposit due NOW. Balance due Jan. 4, 2017.

Baggage fees not included; fuel adjustments possible.

No air/no transfers: deduct \$630. No lifts: deduct \$325.

Sixth day adult lift: add \$55. 5-day senior (65+) lift: deduct \$60;

six-day senior: deduct \$15.

Contact: Jane Suto at 203-430-4713 or

CSCTrips2017@gmail.com to reserve – all guests must complete form.

Club trips open to CSC members

Jay Peak, VT

Dec. 28-Jan. 1 Host: *The Goodmen Club*

Cost: \$555/pp for 5, \$615/pp for 4, \$715/pp for 3 in a 2 bedroom/2 bath cottage; \$620/pp for 3, \$720/pp for 2 in a 1bedroom/1bath cottage. Final payment due Oct. 21, 2016.

Includes: 4 nights at Golf and Mountain Cottages; 5-day lift ticket; 4-day breakfast; gratuities, taxes; welcome reception; pizza party. No transportation included.

Contact: Donna Yanick, 203-641-8599;

goodmenclub@gmail.com

Mt. Bachelor, Oregon

Jan. 7-14, 2017 Host: *Meriden Ski & Snowboard Club*

Cost: \$1405/pp, doub occ; \$1365 over age 65; \$1297 over age 70. Final payment due Nov. 1.

Includes: Meriden SSC membership; 5 of 6-day lift ticket; R/T air Hartford to Portland on Southwest; 2 checked bags; bus transfers; 7 nights at Double Tree Hotel, Bend; 7 full breakfasts; welcome reception; 25% off food and drinks at hotel bar; mountain après pizza party with 2 drinks; mountain lunch with souvenir and group photo; mountain ski shuttle.

Contact: Bob Curry, 203-314-9605; bobski2snet.net.

Sunday River, Maine

March 19-24, 2017 Host: *NAVA Ski Club*

Cost: \$429-\$519 based on number of guests per room and/or type of accommodation

Includes: 5 nights; 5-day lift ticket; 5 daily clinics; taxes

Contact: Enid, 203-723-1071; enidgary@yahoo.com

Whistler/Blackcomb, BC

Jan. 28- Feb. 4, 2017 Host: *Winterset Ski Club*

Cost: \$1798/pp in 2-bedroom condo; \$1811/pp in 3-bedroom condo; \$1917/pp in 1-bedroom condo. Add \$15 for non-Winterset club members.

Includes: R/T air Newark to Vancouver; R/T bus transfers; 7 nights' ski-in-ski-out at Legends Condos; 5-day lift ticket; first tracks breakfast voucher; baggage handling, taxes; farewell dinner, welcome reception.

NOTE: PASSPORTS REQUIRED

Contact: Carolyn Eiseman, 203-791-9051 or

wintersetkitrips@gmail.com.

Snowbird, Utah

Jan. 28-Feb.4, 2017 Host: *New Haven Ski Club*

Cost: \$1800/pp doub occ. Deduct \$385 for no air.

Includes: R/ T air and ground transportation from Harugari, West Haven and Utah; baggage fees (Southwest Airlines); 7 nights at Cliff Lodge (slopeside); 6-day lift pass to Snowbird and Alta; one group dinner.

Contact: John Paul Harkleroad

at johnpaul2@comcast.net. Or 203-230-0760.

Whistler/Blackcomb, Canada

Feb. 2-9, 2017 Host: *Mt. Laurel Ski Club*

Cost: \$1499/pp doub occ

Includes: R/T air to Vancouver from Hartford; 7 nights at Crystal Lodge; taxes R/T airport/hotel transfers; A & S Travel escort. NOTE: PASSPORT REQUIRED.

Options: 5-of-6 day ski pass to Whistler & Blackcomb w/ FastTrack and breakfast for 1 morning (\$369/adult; \$329 over 65); travel insurance; overnight at Sheraton Hartford Airport hotel (\$139); heli-skiing trip

Contact: Eric Ardolino, 203-265-9293, ASTravelCenter.com

Snowbird, Utah

Feb. 4-11, 2017 Host: *AE Ski Club*

Cost: \$1765/pp doub occ

Included: R/T air Hartford to Salt Lake City; motorcoach transfers airport to Snowbird; 7 nights ski-in ski-out Cliff Lodge Inn; full breakfast daily; 6-day Snowbird/Alta lift pass (no boarders at Alta – deduct \$125)

Contact: Mark Chester, aeskiclub.com.

Indian Head Resort, Lincoln, NH

Feb. 5 – 10, 2017 Host: *NAVA Ski club*

Cost: \$605/pp doub occ; \$540/pp triple; \$510/pp quad \$150 non-skier discount

Includes: 5 nights, 5 breakfasts, 4 dinners; 5-day pass to Cannon, Loon, Bretton Woods, Waterville Valley; apres ski wine and cheese party

Contact: Enid Batista-Gendron 203-723-1071, or

enidgary@yahoo.com

More Club trips this season

Telluride, Colorado

Feb. 18-25 2017 Host: *The Goodmen Club*

Cost: \$1665/pp doub occ; \$1510/pp triple occ; \$1435/pp quad occ at Mountainside Inn. \$1755/pp for 6 in 3 bdrm/3 bath; or 8 in 4 bdrm/4 bath at Bear Creek Lodge.

Final payment due Dec. 10.

Included: R/T air from Newark non-stop to Montrose; 7 nights at Mountainside Inn or Bear Creek lodge Condos; 5-day lift ticket; airport-hotel transfers; all current taxes; pizza party; welcome reception.

Contact: Donna Yanick, 203-641-8599, or at thegoodmentclub@gmail.com.

Eastern Townships, Quebec, Canada

Sun., Feb. 19 – Fri., Feb. 24, 2017 Host: *Danbury Ski Club*

Cost: \$965/pp single occ; \$705/pp doub occ; \$635/pp triple occ; \$600/pp in quad occ. Children 18 and under – ask for rates.

Included: 5 nights at Villegia Manoir des Sables; 5 full American breakfast; wine and cheese welcome reception; 3 sit-down dinners; 5 days skiing – 2 at Mont Sutton, 1 at Mont Owl's Head, 2 at Mont Orford; access to on-site ice skating, cross country, snow shoeing (skis and shoes free of charge); spa.

NOTE: PASSPORTS REQUIRED

Contact: Greg and Mary O'Hara at 203-791-8565 or at weskisnow@gmail.com.

Big Sky, Montana

Feb. 25 – March 4, 2017 Host: *Central CT Snowsnakes*

Cost: \$1989/pp; \$2039 if deposit made after Oct. 10, 2016.

Deduct \$580 without air and ground transportation.

Deduct \$340 without lift ticket.

Includes: R/T air Bradley to Bozeman; 7 nights at Huntley First Class Lodge; Ski-in/ski-out in Big Sky Village; welcome reception; full daily hot breakfast; outdoor heated pool, hot tubs, workout room, sauna; baggage handling on arrival; free local shuttle; 5-day lift ticket (6-day available).

Contact: Jen Gillotti at 860-989-8386; jpblooms@cox.net
Patti Christiana at 860-978-2744; Pattic1745@comcast.net

Solden, Austria

Mar. 3-11 (14th with extension), 2017 Host: *AE Ski Club*

Cost: \$2350 pp, doub occ; extension to Vienna add \$460/pp; all lift tickets extra.

Included: R/T air from JFK to Zurich on Swiss Air; baggage fees; motorcoach transfers airport to hotels; 7 nights at Hotel Tyrolerhof; full European buffet breakfast and 4-course dinner daily; wellness oasis with pool, sauna, steam bath; pre-trip party; welcome party; hotel taxes, fees and gratuities.

NOTE: PASSPORTS REQUIRED

Contact: AE Ski Club, aeskiclub.com

Big Sky, Montana

Mar. 11-18, 2017

Host: *Meriden Ski & Snowboard*

Cost: Big Horn Condos - \$1709pp/doub occ (6 people in 3 bedroom/ 3 bath condo); \$1809pp/doub occ (5 people in 3 bedroom/3 bath condo). Stillwater Condos - \$1750 pp/ (4 per 2 bedroom/2 bath condo). Huntley Lodge - \$1990/pp doub occ hotel room (w/ full buffet breakfast daily at Huntley only.)

Includes: R/T air Hartford to Bozeman; air to hotel transfers; 7 nights' accommodations; 5-day lift pass; baggage handling; welcome reception; all current taxes.

Additional cost info: No air/transfers deduct \$590; no lifts deduct \$360; additional day lift pass add \$75.

Contact: Wayne Gineo, 860-463-5903, or wgineo@cox.net.

Sugarloaf, Maine

March 12-17, 2017 Host: *Newington Ski Club*

Cost: \$495/adult ages 16-69; \$469/senior ages 70-79; \$395/senior ages 80+; \$363/child ages 6-15.

Deduct \$100 without lift ticket. MAX pass honored.

Pricing based on minimum occ – 2 per bedroom.

Includes: 5-and a half day lift ticket; 5 90-minute group lessons; access to sports and fitness center; welcome party; all taxes and fees. Limited to first 30 people.

Contact: John Hunter at mtholly@sbcglobal.net, or 860-635-3257.

Banff/Lake Louise, Canada

March 14-21, 2017 Host: *Metroland Ski Club*

Cost: \$1335/pp doub occ; \$1265/pp triple; \$1235/pp quad; \$100/pp 1-day Kicking Horse; \$325/sing supp; deduct \$495 no-air; deduct \$230 no adult lifts; senior rates available

Includes: R/T air LaGuardia or Newark to Calgary; 7 nights at Banff Ptarmigan Inn; 5-day 3-mountain lift including transportation to area; daily buffet breakfast; R/T airport – hotel transfers; baggage handling; taxes.

NOTE: PASSPORT REQUIRED

Contact: Brian McNamara at 210-262-7588, or Metrolandskiclub@gmail.com

Big White, British Columbia

March 18-25, 2017 Host: *Danbury Ski Club*

Cost: \$1624/pp doub occ. Deposit - \$300. Optional Fri. night (Mar. 17 at Marriott Newark Airport \$128.)

Includes: R/T air on Air Canada Newark to Kelowna; R/T motorcoach transfers; 7 nights at White Crystal Inn (rooms have 2 queen beds); 6-day lift ticket; ski-in/ski-out; hottub.

NOTE: PASSPORTS REQUIRED.

Contact: Ray Hepburn at 203-364-9808 or 631-834-2198; Rayhep51@yahoo.com.

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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****CONNECTICUT SKI COUNCIL**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.

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