



THE BLIZZARD

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Newington Ski Club's Newsletter

Web site: www.newingtonskiclub.net

Membership

Congratulations!! We now have over 600 members! And there is still time to get your friends to join. The deadline to join is February 19, 2010. If you have any questions, comments or suggestions, please email me at RobertCushmanLLC@yahoo.com or give call me at 860-953-6809.

Don't forget to save your Membership Cards, as they are now permanent cards on which you will affix future year's CSC stickers. Hope to see you all on the slopes!

Rusty Cushman

Monday Night Racing – We Need You!

Monday Night Racing continues on February 15th. We need all skis on deck to hold our position or possibly move up in the overall and personal standings.

Come join us for a night of skiing, pizza, friends, and possibly bragging rights.

Scott-Ski

SOUP, STEW AND CHILI NIGHT

Date: Tuesday, February 25, 2010

Location: Polish American Club
140 Wilson Avenue
Newington, CT



Bring a pot of your favorite Soup, Stew or Chili to share. Proceeds to fund Skiers Unlimited program.

Suggested Donation: \$10.00/person

Contact: Glenn Johnson at 203-233-8263

BUS TRIP – On Snow – March 6th

There will be a bus to On-Snow for Saturday, March 6th.

For more information/sign-up and payment contact:

Bob Lanosa at 203-879-8575
Or
Glenn Johnson at 203-233-8263

NSC CLUB DAY – February 20th

Date: February 20, 2010

Place: Magic Mt

Bus Trip: \$20.00/pp

Ticket Cost: \$30.00/pp (includes: lift ticket, lunch and club race)

Lunch will be supplied by NSC.

For Bus Info/Payment, Please Contact :Glenn Johnson at 203-233-8253 or Bob Lanosa (203) 879-8575

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS 2010-2011

Please be advised that the election of officers and the board of directors for the 2010-2011 year will be at our last regular meeting of this season, April 22, 2010, 8:00 p.m. at the Polish American Club, 140 Wilson Avenue, Newington, CT.

If you are interesting in serving in some capacity, please contact a nominating committee member:

John Hunter - 860-635-3257
Shirley Thomasson - 860-621-0815
George Lape - 860-693-1866

Next Meeting Dates:

February 18, 2010
February 25, 2010
March 4, 2010 *

* Pizza night and deadline for March Newsletter.



2010 CT Winter Games for Seniors

Date: Tuesday, February 23, 2010

Location: Ski Sundown
126 Ratlum Road
New Hartford,

CT Events: Giant Slalom, Downhill, Cross Country, Snowshoe.

For more information go to www.skisundown.com from click on 2010 Senior Winter Games, then Information.

Bulk Tickets – Still Available

The following bulk tickets are still available, if anyone's terested. Get back to me, 1st come, 1st serve.

Resort	Quantity Available
Mt Snow	3
Magic Mtn	6

Contact Paul Smedley at Paul.Smedley@hs.utc.com or 860-404-8809.

Happy80th Birthday – Paul Notzel

Paul will be celebrating is 80th birthday on February 23, 2010. Paul is a past club president, lifetime member and friend to all. Best wishes Paul!!

Notice – Military Service

Donna Brunoli Conyers (25 yr member) and Ron Conyers' son Peter Conyers entered the service for our country after finishing college this past month. He was also a member of NSC as of the last year. Many club members know him.

It would be nice if members would send just a little note to him. I know it will be greatly appreciated as after his training he will be sent to train others.

His address is: FPC Conyers, Peter T.
D Co. 1/13th Inf. Regt.
1st Platoon Crusaders
Ft. Jackson, S.C. 29207

Just include "NSC" on the letters or notes, so Peter will know.

MAY HE BE KEPT SAFE

On-Snow Winter Carnival

March 5–7, 2010

The Connecticut Ski Council's big ski party is only a month away now! The CSC waiver and the Mount Snow waiver are available on the Council's website; follow the link from the Newington Ski Club home page and quick browsing for On-Snow information will get you the forms. So the question is are you going to join in the fun at Mount Snow? If you are even just a little interested, act right now because we need to turn in a roster of participants at the February CSC meeting. The meeting is Tuesday the 9th at 8:00PM at the Newington Polish Club. Bring it yourself and we can add you on the spot. Come out to Monday Night Racing at Mount Southington and I will sign you up. Scan and email the forms; just do it right now! This is a great opportunity for an inexpensive ski weekend with your friends.

Now that I have you signed up what are you in for? The event schedule for the weekend is setup just like last year. Friday March 5th will be the State Downhill Race, which will be a Super-G event run on south bowl. This is an intermediate trail so don't be intimidated. Plus as a pre-weekend day the trails will be wide open and you will be able to let your skis rip on any slope. On Saturday March 6th there will be race categories for everyone. There are the Junior A & B races for the children and youth, a Women's Race, the State Snowboard Race, the Team Race for the elite competitor; plus the Club race for the rest of us. The races are all going to be on Ego Alley, which has its own Chair Lift and a big race shed. It is the building you see on the left half way up as you ride the Grand Summit Express Chairlift to the peak. Not sure what events to participate? Don't worry once the waivers are turned in there will still be an opportunity to add you an individual event roster. It is just a whole lot easier if it can be done ahead of time.

Also Saturday afternoon there will be a volleyball tournament between the clubs of the CSC. Join in the fun of playing volleyball in the snow with your ski boots on. Here the roster is just to insure we can field a team. So as long as the CSC has your waivers on file we can throw you into the rotation. Saturday evening there is a three-course dinner at the Grand Summit Hotel for \$17. Advanced ticket purchase is required and the last opportunity to buy them is at Monday Night Racing February 8th. Didn't make the dead line go a local restaurant for dinner and come by after dinner is served for the awards party with DJ music, dancing and raffle. Sunday March 7th there will be the State Cross-Country Race and a group of recreational events plus plenty of time for free skiing. There is the Fun Race, which will be some silliness in the snow and the Ski Rally, which is a trivia/scavenge hunt. And what would the weekend be with out the big Tug-of-War in the middle of the day.

Have not booked lodging for the weekend? The Mount Snow Magazine lists over two dozen classy accommodations. Mount Snow is offering some special pricing on their mountain and slopeside lodging. You could book a double at The Snowlake Lodge for \$109 or for a whole group in a three bedroom condo for \$419. For real luxury there is the Grand Summit Resort starting at \$199. Don't have the money or time to make it for the full weekend? The Newington Ski Club is providing a bus to let you come ski with us on Saturday. Come to a club meeting to get signed up and pay for your seat. Mount Snow is providing special pricing for lift tickets with tiered rates per day and rates for children, adults and seniors. Prices start at \$34 and the Saturday Adult ticket is \$50, heck the top price is just \$102 for the Adult 3-day. Note Bulk Tickets are not valid for On-Snow!

I asked the question last month about dinner on Friday. Club always heads out on Friday evening as a group for some fine dining. The choice is The Silo Restaurant at 324 Route 100, West Dover, VT. If you are coming up early and want to join the group let Lorraine Hughes know to add you to the reservation count.

George Lape, NSC On-Snow Coordinator



Sessions Woods Hike – Recap

On Saturday, January 30th the NSC had a hike at Sessions Woods in Burlington, CT. Paul Yuskales organized and lead the hike for the 13 brave souls who showed up on a bright sunny day to hike the fresh-snowed trails. Paul managed not to get hurt, a first, and Ron managed not to break through the ice this year, however, he did manage to find some deep mud. The day ended with dinner at Paul's home, including ham, mac and cheese, and salad. Thank you Paul for another fine effort.

Tuckerman's Ravine – Hike

The NSC Annual Tuckerman's Ski/Hike will occur on April 17th. Come join us on this awesome experience. We will be staying in Gorham at the Royalty Inn on Friday night, hiking into the ravine and skiing on Saturday morning/day. We will recap our hiking experiences over dinner that night. A hike/ski may be possible on Sunday.

For more information contact:

John Hunter
860-635-3257 or mtholly@sbcglobal.com

Bruce Laroche
860-828-1558 or uncmoos@comcast.net

Fraconia Notch/Lafayette – Hike

A May hike is in the planning stage for Fraconia Notch. Up the bridle pass trail through Greenleaf AMC Hut then Greenleaf Trail to Lafayette. Either coming down the same trail or if good weather, we can go south along the ridge and come down Falling Waters Trail/Bridal Path to the parking lot (a loop).

This is for experienced hikers and they need to be prepared for weather that can be a challenge.

For more information contact:

Bruce Laroche
860-828-1558 or uncmoos@comcast.net

Lisa Day
860-628-7395 or ld09@hotmail.com



NSC Classifieds

Lift Tickets - Vermont areas at least 40% off. Contact: Ted Rogala at 860-621-0264.

For Sale: Okemo Mountain Chalet. Great location - ½ mile to Base Lodge. 3 BR / 1 bath, 1,000 S.F., new metal roof, new windows, propane baseboard heat, wood stove, cathedral ceilings, furnished. \$315,000.00. Contact Jeanne/Bill Schumann at 860-436-2260.

For Sale: Ski Pod for car roof. Reasonable. Contact Lorraine Hughes at 860-240-4056

For Sale: Brand new skis. K2 Comanche skis. 167cm. Retail price \$350. Asking: \$150. Contact Kathy McGuiness at 860-667-1038.

Lodging Rental: On Bus route. Reasonable rates. Three places available. Call Ted Rogala at 860-621-0264 for prices and dates.

Ludlow: Beds available on seasonal basis: For availability, rates and information call: John Paturel at 860-628-9131.

Okemo Winterplace Rental: 2 bedroom condo available for weekends or midweek. Sleeps 6, ski in/ski out, indoor pool and hot tubs. Call Jeff Lepage at 860-621-8877.

Skis Tuning: FAST (Farmington Area Ski Tuning) - Basic tune (\$20.00). Race wax service available. Base grinding and repairs also available. Holmenkol products used exclusively. Call: Bob Kaczmarczyk (860) 985-6415

We will make every effort to add missed names as soon as we are notified. If you know someone who is not getting **THE BLIZZARD** and should be, or if anyone has any news, or event information to be included in **THE BLIZZARD**, please let us know. Send all NSC Newsletter communications to:

nscnewsletter@gmail.com



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Information and Events, visit their website at:
www.skiclub.com