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Presidents Message

Dear Members,

We're into January and the ski season is in full swing. Our calendar gets busy with our ever popular Inter-club race and MSC Blake race in February. Please read further for details regarding these events. Also the CSC On-Snow event is being hosted at Okemo this year on Mar. 6-8th. These events do require registration so look for the materials at the lodge and more info in this newsletter.

We've got two dinners on tap at the lodge and we'd love to see more. Please think about sharing your culinary talents with others and put together a meal that other members can enjoy. Why not team up with a club friend and tag team a dinner together?

I'm writing this as I'm getting ready to leave for a mid-week day on the mountain myself so why not grab a day for yourself.

A lodge note here. You have been great responding to lodge use requests and I'd like to ask for help on one more. Please remember that it is necessary to sign in and make your reservation payment up front. If you have forgotten a check I offer these options. Ask a friend to cover you with their check or get a money order from Shaw's. It takes additional time from our dedicated volunteers to wait for account resolution. Email reminders, phone calls and trips to the bank all slow the process. Thanks for your help!

See you in Vermont.

Jon H.

MSC President

Interclub Race February 7th 2015

Friday Fun Race Training:

On Friday 2/6/2015, our MSC President and Vice President will be cooking breakfast at the lodge for members who are staying at the lodge Thursday night in preparation for MSC Race Training. All day NASTAR training will be paid for by the club (10 AM - 2 PM) for those that want to practice on the race course on this Friday.

Coached training by an Okemo race staff will be available during this training time for those that want to take advantage of the coaching. This training will be shared with the other clubs participating in the interclub race, so if you plan on attending you must confirm with Lou Gaedt (please remember to bring a minimum of \$10 tip for the coach after the training session).

Saturday's Interclub Race:

It is anticipated that the race will start around **10 AM Saturday** morning on the NASTAR course on Bull Run. Please email Lou (lgaedt@metrocast.net) if you intend to race and provide your NASTAR registration number and liability waiver (last page of newsletter). Your NASTAR information and/or registration information can be found at www.nastar.com. Registration for the Interclub race **MUST** be submitted to Lou by end of day Tuesday 2/3/2015 so that we can compile the start times the other clubs.

Party:

The post race party will be hosted at the Grumman ski club **starting around 4pm**. Those attending the party will be asked to donate \$10 to cover the costs for pizza and soft beverages. Grumman also has asked that we bring deserts as well as your own beverages. Park your car behind the town library if you intend to drive to their lodge as parking is limited.

2/21/15 MSC Fun Club Race at Okemo

Our biggest event of the season is coming soon! Join us for a fun race for all ages, sizes, and abilities on Okemo's NASTAR course for our Silver and Gold Members! Aimee Whalen will be cooking the club dinner that night.

Be sure to sign up for dinner and racing when you reserve your stay for this event weekend. An awards ceremony will take place Saturday afternoon prior to Amy's sure to be fabulous dinner.

Please contact Lou Gaedt if you plan on racing in this event (lgaedt@metrocast.net) and fill and submit the waiver found on page 4 of this newsletter.

Updates from the lodge...

There is one storage bin available for the taking. If you are interested in claiming this bin for your own for the season, please contact Jon Hiller for more details. jhiller55@gmail.com

The board would like to remind members that boot room, kitchen and bathroom storage should be used only during your visit to the lodge. All food, clothing, ski, and toiletry items **MUST** go home with you at the end of your stay and/or stay in your storage locker or bin. The club house is a shared space, and we need to accommodate all parties.

Please note that payment is expected at the time you sign in when arriving at the lodge. Payment must be in the form of a check, and if no check, then we can accept money orders (easily acquired at Shaws across the street). While the club is actively looking at ways to improve the payment process, for now please keep this rule in mind to make it easier on our accounting volunteers.

Looking for great deals on the slopes? Be sure to check out our new Facebook page for daily updates.

www.facebook.com/manchesterskiclub

Some of these deals are open to non members, so be sure to spread the word and invite folks to 'like' our page.

CSC On Snow Carnival at Okemo March 6th-8th

Let it be known that this is the CSC highlight event of the year! The on snow event will take place right in our backyard at Okemo! Additional details will follow in the February newsletter and will also be posted on the board in the lodge. Please consider joining us at this event, its fun for everyone of all levels, and is a great way to meet people from different clubs, and show some MSC pride!

2015 Manchester Ski Club – Race Entry Form

Name_____

Address_____

Town_____ State_____ Zip_____

Email_____

Phone Number (H)_____ (W)_____

Age: ____ Male: ____ Female: ____

Skier: ____ Snowboarder: ____

Check one or both races:

Interclub Race: _____ R.W. Blake Challenge Race: _____

Saturday Feb 7, 2015 10 am

Saturday Feb 21, 2015

Open to all ages, shapes, sizes, and abilities both skier and snowboard

Please read and sign (mandatory) the waiver below to participate in the Interclub Race or the R.W. Blake Challenge

The Manchester Ski Club is a year-round social/sports club providing a variety of activities for its members. Many of the club activities are, to varying degrees, hazardous. By making application for participating in the above race(s), I/We voluntarily assume all the risks involved.

By assuming all risks involved, I/We agree to not hold the Manchester Ski Club, its officers, or board members liable for any accident or injury resulting from my (or other family members') participation in a club activity or use of club facilities.

This release shall be binding on my distributees, heirs, next of kin, executors, administrators and personal representatives. I/We have read this release in full and understand it, and I/We hereby apply for participation in the selected race(s).

Your Name: _____ Spouse _____

Signature _____ Signature _____

Date _____

Return form to:

Lou Gaedt, Race Chair

MSC Board of Directors



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Lodge Reminders:

For reservations send email to manchesterskiclub@gmail.com or submit a reservation on the website (please make sure your arrival date is checked correctly in the checkbox)

Please remember to take home whatever you brought up with you, including your recycling as space is at a premium.

Please ensure that dishes and utensils are washed, dried and put away after use and the counter is clear of food.

If you are feeling ill— do not come up and endanger the health of other members.

Please be respectful of the posted quiet hours.

You can have two outstanding reservations at one time. It is suggested that you book one ahead for busy holidays and or race weekends.

To allow for additional revenue and solidifying confirmations of guest reservations, please make your reservations by the Tuesday prior to the upcoming weekend. Members who make reservations after Tuesday 8pm will not be able to bump guests who confirm their reservations by the specified date and time. Also, reservations after Tuesday are first come first serve for members and guests.

Please note that a calendar is available to show you who is staying at the lodge through the secured side of the website (login required).

Please close fire doors during sleeping hours