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Presidents Message

Dear fellow members,

Happy New Year and game on!

What an early season we've had. Ask those members that got in some great December skiing and they'll tell you how good it was. Now we're in the heart of the season so get on that electronic device and make your lodge reservations.

A couple of general reminders, the intra club race that has been known as the Lysobey Memorial race is set for Feb 8th. Stay tuned for an email blast with further details. There will be a training session on Friday the 7th with the President's breakfast to precede the training. Come up and have breakfast served by past, present and future club presidents. The inter-club race and the CSC 'On Snow' at Pico will follow.

Some lodge notes, we are continuing to try and 'balance' the heat and its distribution throughout the house. To that end please don't leave doors propped open or make any adjustments to any registers. Doors are supposed to remain closed as a safety measure. Also, please remember to bring home any glass recyclables that you bring up. This is really important in that we can't put them out for trash pickup. As always please remember to wash and put dishes away as soon as you're done with them.

A club is a unique community and as such there are certain things that we have to attend to.

Please check the rest of the newsletter for other news and information.

Now, go make that reservation and we'll see you at #4 Pleasant St.

Regards,

Jon Hiller

MSC President

Important Reminders from the BOD

We may be in need of replacing the smaller kitchen refrigerator at the lodge. If someone has a 'working and not problematic' one that they might consider donating please let Jon Hiller know.

Also, please remember to label all food as you store it in the fridge. This makes it easier to throw out when it gets left behind.

If you're the last one leaving a bedroom, bathroom etc. please flip the lights off. The women's bathroom light is constantly left on which is a problem. Be mindful.

Please remember to make lodge reservations by 8pm Thursday of the upcoming weekend

Donate and help out a fellow Okemo employee in need!

A fellow Okemo employee suffered a severe loss of property due to a house fire that took nearly everything from her but her dog. Jessica and puppy have recovered and found an apartment in Cavendish where the employee shuttle will get her to/from work. She still needs clothing, size M, and once winter is over we expect she will need some spring/summer items also. Things are showing up at the resort for them every day but here is our chance as a club to do some good. There will be a box for donated items in the lodge barn if anyone is willing to donate. Okemo is collecting money for her car repairs, and there is a local blog supporting her cause/recovery. Let's lend a hand, something we are very good at in times of need.

Senior Ski Tickets for Sale! For CSC members only!

Please contact Jon Orzolek if you want Okemo non restricted tickets seniors for \$50. Reminder - These tickets are only for use by CSC members.



Upcoming Events..

Snickers Shakin' Skate! Saturday, Jan.18

An evening of ice skating with a live DJ, games, and fun for the whole family in Okemo's Ice House skating pavilion at Jackson Gore. Admission fee is \$10. Skate rentals are available. From 6 - 9 p.m.

Fireworks Spectacular! Sunday, Jan. 19

Join us in watching a spectacular show of pyrotechnics starting at 7:30 p.m. at the Okemo Clocktower Base area. Or join the Snowshoe tour, meeting in the rentals department at 6 p.m. and make a short climb up the mountain to the bonfire and watch the fireworks boom overhead while roasting marshmallows

The Inter-Club Ski Race - Feb 8, 2014, FOR SKIERS ONLY!

The Manchester Ski Club participates in an inter-club race at Okemo. This race provides MSC an opportunity to race against other clubs such as Grumman Ski Club, Norwalk Ski Club and the Mt Laurel Ski club. .

This race is known as the **Jean Bloom-Lysobey Memorial Inter-Club Ski Race**. The award ceremony takes place at the post-race party graciously hosted by the Mt Laurel Ski Club at their new lodge up the street.

The Robert W. Blake Challenge Race - Feb 22, 2014, OPEN TO SKIERS AND RIDERS!

Each season, the Club also sponsors it's own club race, The Robert W. Blake Challenge Race, in honor and memory of Bob Blake, one of the early members of the club and an excellent ski racer.

The race usually takes place on Saturday beginning at 10:00 am. A post-race party is held at the Lodge where awards are distributed. All ages and levels welcome.

On Snow at Pico, Mar 7-9

This epic CSC event will take place at Pico this year. 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 ski a different mountain for cheap, meet people from different clubs, and show some MSC pride!

Winterfest 2014 February 1 – North Bennington

This event starts with the Special Olympics Penguin Plunge and is followed by the Chili Fest, Live Music, Pet Parade, Ice Carving, hayrides, dog sled rides (weather permitting), an Indoor Children's Carnival, storytelling, arts and crafts, vendors and more. Come enjoy this annual event in picturesque North Bennington. Email Lindy for more info: lindyslynch@yahoo.com

**Every Thursday Through February 27th We're
Giving Away Waterville Valley Ski Passes During
STUMP Trivia Night!**



***Restrictions apply**

Join us starting at 7:30 for your chance to win!



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Lodge Reminders:

For reservations email to manchesterskiclub@gmail.com or submit reservation from 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 – we have 160 lodge members and space is at a premium.
- Please insure that dishes and utensils are washed, dried and put away after use.
- *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/reservations for guests, please make your reservations by *Tuesday of the upcoming weekend*. Members who make reservations after Tuesday 8:00 PM will not be able to bump guests who confirmed their reservations by the specified date and time. Also, reservations after Tuesday are first come first served for members and guests.

Please note that through the secured side of the website (where you need to log in with your ID and password) a calendar is available to show you who is staying at the lodge.

PLEASE CLOSE FIRE DOORS DURING SLEEPING HOURS