MANCHESTER SKI CLUB OCTOBER NEWSLETTER



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Presidents Message

Hello everyone,

It's time for the World Series, so it must be getting closer to 'ski time'.

This of course means the time we start planning those northerly commutes to Exit 6 on our way to Pleasant St. I've seen some pictures of the upper mountain in a white frostlike coating. Unless there has been a change Okemo is scheduled to open Nov 14th so it is fast approaching.

We had a nice size group of members at our October general club meeting at the Manchester Elks Club. This was our first time there and it was decided by the majority in attendance that we will hold the December meeting/party there as well. The Elks offer food catering and members voted to take advantage of that also. The approximate cost is \$15 per person. Please see further details in this newsletter.

Lodge news. A big thank you to those in attendance at our work weekend. A number of tasks were taken care of. There will we be a 'work a day, ski a day' weekend Nov 20-22. The sprinkler water supply had been installed some weeks ago and the final design plans have just been approved. The contractor is planning to start the in- house work the 1st week of November. We continue to try and finalize our trash disposal plans for the lodge.

Our ticket order is in to the CSC so a big thanks to Mary & Gary Sylvestre for coordinating and our CSC rep Neil Jones for delivering to the CSC. Okemo & Killington/Pico are offering two more ticket buys if needed. That being said we really need to be prudent in our ordering to avoid another major return year.

The CSC Snowball is Nov 14th. Think about getting out for some fun dancing and winning some great prizes.



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We have some great new members joining us this year. We look forward to their becoming valued members of the club.

I introduced the newest members of the board at the October meeting but I'd like to thank the entire board for their work. We meet year round to ensure that club business is taken care of.

See you at the December meeting/party!

Jon H.

CSC Snow Ball

The annual CSC Snowball entitled "Peak to Peak" will take place on Saturday November 14th from 8pm to 1am at the Hartford/Windsor Marriot. The featured band is the Bird'n'Boys. Consider joining the MSC and CSC as a whole as we kickoff the new ski year. Tickets are \$20 advance purchase, or \$25 at the door. Please contact Jon Hiller (jhiller55@gmail.com) if you would like to attend. We do have a limited number of tickets available at the \$20 price. We have rented a hospitality room at the hotel, which allows us space to snack, mingle and socialize between dances and raffle draws. If you plan on attending, please bring a snack to share (potluck style). The raffle draws can be pretty epic so bring your lucky charm. Please see flyer on the next page for more details.

Work Weekend Update: Volunteers Needed

The next work weekend takes place the weekend November 20th and 22nd. If the weather holds out we plan on working and skiing or hiking. We could really use all hands on deck! Please contact Bob Klapatch if you plan on helping (rklay@comcast.net).

Our sprinkler system is approved and work will be started this very weekend. Our water main has already been installed. Once the system is complete we will have clean up/seasonal preparation tasks to take care of as well as a few larger jobs. Your participation is greatly appreciated. We rely on volunteers to run this club and simply can't exist without you.



Banff Lake Louise Tourism / Paul Zizka Photography

Saturday, November 14th, 2015 8:00pm - 1:00am

Featuring Music By: **The Bird'n'Boys**

Hartford Marriott Windsor Hotel 28 Day Hill Road • Windsor, CT

\$20 Advance Purchase

\$25 at the Door

December Holiday Party/Meeting

Our annual holiday party and meeting will be held on Thursday, December 10th 2015 at the Elks Club in Manchester CT. The fun will begin promptly at 6:30 and will include a quick general meeting and sweet raffle prizes up for grabs. At our last general club meeting the membership voted to change to a dinner option from pot-luck to Elks club catered dinner. That being said, please plan on attending on that date, and an RSVP will go out in the following weeks (so we have a head count on who plans on eating). Payment will be made at the door. Details will follow regarding the menu and pricing. The general consensus was that having dinner at the Elks club would save people time and money by not having to worry about preparing a meal to share. We are therefore going to try it out for at least this one time.

Monday Night Racing at Mount Southington

On Monday nights feel free to join our team and represent our club at Mt Southington's CSC Race night. \$30 gives you a ticket to the mountain, two full GS race runs, the ability to ski at night and socialize with other clubs within the CSC!

All ages and abilities welcome. This is a great way to get out there and practice those turns, and celebrate every victory and blow out with good old comradery in the lodge afterwards.

The race schedule starts December 21st and continues until February 8th weather permitting. Please refer to Skiclub.com for updates on racing conditions.

Lodge Locker Assignments for the 2015-2016 Ski Season

1	Alcorn	10	Gazza
2	Sylvestre	11	Raynor
3	Wallace	12	Casey
4	Hiller	13	Ganong
5	Jones	14	Kehoe
6	Traynor	15	Klapatch
7	Gaedt	16	Thorne
8	Orzolek	17	Medbery
9	Johnson	18	Sisson



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Lodge Reminders:

For reservations email to <u>manchesterskiclub@gmail.com</u> 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, <u>reservations after Tuesday are first come first served for members and guests</u>.

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