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Presidents Message

Hi everyone,

It is February, the Super Bowl (a real thriller) is over, the Lysobey race has been run, Valentine's Day came and went, and the annual MSC Blake race in honor of Robert Blake is has been postponed until next month. Please see details further on regarding the Blake race on the next page.

Regarding the Lysobey Race, a big thank you to those who participated, coordinated and otherwise kept us on track. A special thanks to Wayne Lysobey and family who opened their home to all participating club members after the race. We had a great turn out as almost 30 racers from our club participated.

On a lodge note we've had a change in our garbage removal process. Okemo changed their dumpster size at the house next door so we exceed the capacity and it is no longer available. A big thank you to those of you who have taken full bags home with you. We are trial running another option so please watch for updates. Regarding recycle materials, glass and cans. It is noticeable the improvement in the lodge staying free of these collecting so thank you.

Our membership has grown in some areas. Our bronze membership continues to hit new high marks. We currently have over 400 members, up from 360 last year and we welcomed a new lodge member, Eric Nelson, this past month

At this time, the East coast continues to be pummeled with snow. The skiing is great so don't miss out. Spring will be here soon enough, and we should expect to see mountains stay open much later than last year.

Remember make your reservations online and often.

So here's to the heart of season, 'let it snow'.

Regards,

Jon H.

MSC President

Blake Challenge Fun Race

Due to the lower than expected response for the weekend and a not so favorable weather forecast, the Blake Race has been postponed. We received a lot of feedback that folks had alternative plans this weekend that would prevent them from participating. As such, the board has decided to postpone the race to an alternative weekend that may allow for more folks to join the fun. The weekend of March 18-19 is being looked at as an alternate date.

Please watch for updates on this in form of news-blast as we finalize our revised event plans.

Can you say Sno-kemo?
Check out our driveway
from this past Sunday 2/19.
Imagine what's in store on
the hill!



Bulk Ticket Notice

As of the first week in February the percentage of bulk ticket usage runs from 78% from Bromley to 45% at Okemo, and 25-35% from other resorts with a low of 18.6% at Sugarbush. Keep in mind of the allowable percentage on returns runs from 10-20% depending on the resort. This has been a fantastic ski season and all resorts are 100% open. So get out on the slopes and use the bulk tickets. As a reminder, the council owns about 20 junior Bromley tickets for sale at \$40 each. Should you need tickets to Bromley, please contact our Ticket Coordinator, Mary Sylvestre.

At this point in time, the lodge bulk tickets for Okemo have all been taken. If anyone has bulk tickets that they will not be using this season, please contact Jon Hiller (jhiller44@gmail.com) for redistribution, as several members have expressed interest in such tickets.

Lodge Stay Reminders

A reminder to all members that reservations must be made for staying at the lodge. The biggest reason is accountability. We absolutely need to know who is there at any given time for safety reasons. Members can make guest lodge reservations two weeks prior to a requested weekend.

If the lodge fills within the two week period - guests will not be bumped by members. Please remember that you can still have two outstanding reservations at any time. We expect that this policy will allow us to generate more income and allow better planning to have friends stay with us at the lodge. Along with this comes room assignments.

Our volunteer reservationists have the thankless task of making efficiency based arrangements as to who sleeps where. The intent is to provide everyone a bed that makes sense based on availability and efficiency. The barn is on its own heating source as such we're not going to open it unless the need calls for it. Every member should be prepared to divide and conquer (sleep where directed) to help this effort. Your cooperation is expected and appreciated.

Social Committee Events

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

We all love MSC... and the people of MSC... so what could be better than having the chance to enjoy time together at our home away from home? The newly revitalized social committee is getting ready to launch its first activities! Please take a look at what is coming up and plan to join us for these fun events!

Sunday- February 19th- We Hosted a Lodge HAPPY HOUR! There is nothing better than closing out a wonderful day of skiing with a glass of wine or your favorite beer... Except perhaps enjoying that glass with all your friends!

Sunday- March 5th- Brunch and snowshoeing. Plan for a change of pace and experience the mountain in a different way! Brunch will be served at 8:00am and we will meet at the Nordic Center at 10:00am. Cost for a day pass is 20.00. Cost for equipment rental and day pass is 40.00. Please RSVP for brunch to Kim McLaughlin at kmclaughlin717@gmail.com. If you want to bring something to contribute please let me know that too!

Saturday- March 19th- Saturday Night Dinner - Bringing back an old favorite, we will be serving dinner on Saturday night. Please RSVP for this on the reservations portion of our website. The cost of dinner is \$10 adults, \$5 child.

Please watch for future events through email blast, lodge bulletin board and every newsletter. The Social Committee needs you! Please consider sharing your ideas, time or talent with us. Let's make MSC the place to be!



2017 ON-SNOW WINTER CARNIVAL – WEEKEND



SCHEDULE *On Snow Contacts: Dave*

Zuraw, 203-232-9057, dscwebmaster@yahoo.com, Adela Martinez, 860-966-1456, adela.cscvp@gmail.com, or Joan Albert, 860-418-9142

| | Time | Event | Location | Chairperson | Points |
|--------|------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------|
| Mar. 3 | Fri: 7:30-8:30am | Registration: State Super G* *A \$5.00 fee -collected by CSC | Governors Pavilion | Rob Dexter | - |
| | Fri: 7:30-8:30am | CLUB BIB PICKUP – SATURDAY RACES | Coolidge Street | Dave Zuraw/All Club Race Coordinators | |
| | Fri: 9:30am-10:15AM | Super G- Inspection Mandatory Pre-Run Not Timed | Coolidge Street | Rob Dexter | - |
| | Fri: 11:00 am | State Super G, one run | Coolidge Street | Rob Dexter | 10 |
| | Fri: 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm | 2 Hr. Race Clinic Must Sign up by 9 am on 3/3 Cost/person: \$20 (w/CSC Subsidy) | Coolidge Street | Dave Zuraw | - |
| Mar. 4 | Fri: 7:00pm | Friday Night Out | On your own | | - |
| | Sat: 7:30 – 8:30am | Registration-Snowboard Race* | Governors Pavilion | Rob Dexter | - |
| | Sat: 9:00 am | Junior A Race (under 10) | Lower Rumrunner | Dave Zuraw & Danbury SC | 4 |
| | Sat: 9:15 am | Junior B Race (11-17) | Lower Rumrunner | Dave Zuraw & Danbury SC | 10 |
| | Sat: 9:45 am | ST Snowboard Race, after Jr B | Lower Rumrunner | Rob Dexter | 6 |
| | Sat: 10:15 am | Women's Race | Lower Rumrunner | Dave Zuraw & Danbury SC | 10 |
| | Sat: 11 am | Team Race | Lower Rumrunner | Dave Zuraw & Danbury SC | 20 |
| | Sat 11:45 am | Race Course Reset | | | |
| | Sat: 12:30 pm | Club Race | Lower Rumrunner | Dave Zuraw & Danbury SC | 10 |
| | Sat: 2:15 – 4:45 pm | Volleyball | Adventure Center or Mountain Club | Jonathon Houck, Mt Laurel | 10 |
| | Sat: 2:15 – 4:45 pm | Fun Race | Little Sister or Mountain Club | Deb Herrick, Danbury | 10 |
| | Sat: 7:00 – 8:25 pm | Dinner (Tickets must be pre-purchased by 2/20/17)* | Governors Lodge or Octagon Lodge | Paul D'Atillio, CAST Ski Club | - |
| | Sat: 8:30pm | Junior Race Awards | Governors Lodge or Octagon Lodge | Dave Zuraw & /Danbury SC | - |
| | Sat: 8:45 –11 pm | Dancing, RAFFLE PRIZES | Governors Lodge or Octagon Lodge | Raffle/ Ambassadors | - |
| Mar. 5 | Sun: 8:00 – 8:45am | Registration, X Country | Loon East Ridge XC Trails | Claire O'Connor; MTL Race fee of \$14 | |

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| Sun: 9:00am | State Cross Country Race | East Ridge XC Trails | Claire O'Connor,MTL Trail will be roughly 5K | 10 |
| Sun: 9-11:00am | Ski Rally (Meet at Loon-TBD) | Governors Pavilion | Dave & Sherry Dyson | 10 |



2017 ON-SNOW WINTER CARNIVAL -



INFORMATION

On Snow Coordinator - Dave Zuraw,

Contact info: 203-232-9057, email address: dscwebmaster@yahoo.com

*On Snow Chairpersons – Adela Martinez, Contact info: 860-966-1456 or adela.cscvp@gmail.com,
Joan Albert, Contact Info: 860-418-9142 or albert_joan@hotmail.com*

Event Coordinators

The following are the chairpersons/coordinators that are involved with the CSC On Snow Carnival. Each chairperson is responsible for his/her event and has the last say of their event rule interpretations. Rules are detailed in this package. If there is a multi-event question, result question or other problem, the overall CSC On Snow Chairperson or Coordinator is the final authority. Note that the waiver must be completed in order to participate in any event.

| Day(s) | Event Coordinator | Name | Email Address | Cellphone |
|-----------|--|---------------------------|--|------------------------------|
| Fri.-Sun. | Loon Coordinator | Adam Davidoff | adavidoff@loonmtn.com | 603-348-7524 |
| | Loon Coordinator | Jon Sartorelli | jsartorelli@Loonmtn.com | 603-348-7525 |
| | Loon Coordinator | Jillian Bromley | jbromley@loonmtn.com | 603-348-7328 |
| | Loon Coordinator | Jayne Ayotte | jayotte@loonmtn.com | 802-379-1360 |
| Fri.-Sun. | Loon Race Coordinator | Greg Odell | godell@Loonmtn.com | 603-745-6281w |
| Fri.-Sun. | CSC On Snow Chairpersons | A. Martinez/ J. Albert | adela.cscvp@gmail.com albert_joan@hotmail.com | 860-966-1456 860-418-9142 |
| Fri.-Sun. | State Race Coordinator (Super G, Snowboard, XCountry) | Rob Dexter | skicouncil@sbcglobal.net | 860-232-7862 |
| Sat. | Race Coordinator | Dave Zuraw/D Kiley | dscwebmaster@yahoo.com | 203-232-9057 |
| Sat. | Junior Races | Dave Zuraw/D Kiley | dscwebmaster@yahoo.com | 203-232-9057 |
| Sat. | Women's Race | Dave Zuraw/D Kiley | dscwebmaster@yahoo.com | 203-232-9057 |
| Sat. | Club, Team Races | Dave Zuraw/D Kiley | dscwebmaster@yahoo.com | 203-232-9057 |
| Sat. | Volleyball Tournament | Jonathon Houck | jhouck@cox.net | 203-213-6991 |
| Sat. | Sat. Night Dinner /Dance | Paul D'Attilio | castskiclub@sbcglobal.net | 860-977-3633 |
| Sat. | Fun Race | Deb Herrick | Dherrick52@att.net | 860-617-1607 |
| Sun. | Ski Rally | Sherry/Dave Dyson | Sheracer8@gmail.com | |
| Sun. | Cross Country Race (State race) | Claire O'Connor | Co06119@gmail.com | 860-836-4991 |

NOTES:

- If you miss your start- run at the end of your race- if you miss your race = DSQ
- SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE CHECK TIMES EVERY MORNING BEFORE RACES BEGIN. LOCATIONS MAY CHANGE DUE TO SNOW CONDITIONS.
- All On-Snow Awards (except for Junior awards) will be presented at the Awards Ceremony in April 2017 (Date TBD). Directions to the CSC meeting are available on the web site www.skiclub.com.
- For more On-snow information, contact Adela Martinez at 860-966-1456 or Adela.cscvp@gmail.com, Joan Albert at albert_joan@hotmail.com and/or Dave Zuraw at dscwebmaster@yahoo.com.
 - The Downhill, Snowboard, and Cross Country Races are State Races and require additional race day waivers. State race day waivers may be printed from www.skiclub.com (home page >Racing), fill out and bring with you to event. No signed

waiver - no race. State Race Chairperson is Rob Dexter and contact info is skicouncil@sbcglobal.net.

Important Note Re: CLUB BIB PICKUPS:

ALL BIBS ARE TO BE PICKED UP BY THEIR CLUB PRESIDENT OR REPRESENTATIVE ON FRIDAY, OR SATURDAY MORNING, 7:30 -8:30 am, AT THE LOON MOUNTAIN RESORT GOVERNOR'S LODGE.

Questions? Contact Dave Zuraw at 203-232-9057, Adela Martinez at 860-966-1456 or Joan Albert at 860-418-9142.

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR WEEKEND EVENT

Registration for meals, and lodging shall be done before the weekend event. The On-Snow carnival is a 3 day event with 11 competitive events concluding on Sunday. Awards party for Juniors will be at the Saturday Night Dinner, all other awards will be at the Season End Awards meeting in April 11, 2017. Each club shall have a coordinator that shall be responsible for all of the individual club's finances- including Lodging. Chairpersons will be assigned for each competition during the weekend, see listing for each event.

TICKETS- LIFT TICKETS

Advance lift tickets will not be sold. Discounted special On Snow tickets will be available at all tickets windows on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, only when showing a valid 2016-2017 Ski Club membership card with CSC Sticker(s):

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Lift Ticket Prices

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|----------|-------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Adult | 19-64 | \$58 | \$58 | \$116 | \$116 | \$160 |
| Junior | 7-18 | \$54 | \$54 | \$108 | \$108 | \$143 |
| Senior | 65+ | \$44 | \$44 | \$88 | \$88 | \$118 |

Bulk tickets will not be allowed.

MEAL TICKETS

Must be purchased prior to the weekend, through your club coordinator. Your club coordinator should contact On Snow Dinner Ticket Coordinator for printed tickets. The CSC has voted to subsidize the cost of the meals so you are getting a SIGNIFICANT discount. Deadline for ticket request with the CSC coordinators is CSC meeting before the event. (Tuesday - February 14th meeting and Monday night racing 2/20/17) *Advance purchase only.*

Dinner on Saturday Night at the Loon Resort Governor's Lodge at 7 pm (includes tax)

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|---------------|------|
| Adult 16 - 64 | \$17 |
| Seniors 65+ | \$13 |

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|-------------------|------|
| Junior 7-15 | \$ 7 |
| Child 6 and Under | Free |

WEEKEND COMPETITION EVENTS

Points for each event may be earned by the club as: 1st-10 points; 2nd- 9 points; 3rd- 8 etc. with the exception of the Junior Race, and Volleyball. Volleyball shall be 10, 9, 8, 7, 6 (losers of 2nd round). Junior A starts at 4 points, Junior B starts at 6 points. Any club that participates in an event earns at least one point for participation. The chairperson for each event will be responsible to give each event result to the overall coordinator to mark on a chart all points to be awarded for each club as per finish.

Please Note: All participants must fill out the two CSC and Loon Mountain Resort Waivers to participate in any and all events. If these waivers are not received, they will not be able to participate. It is up to each Club Coordinator to ensure that all waivers are completed and turned in. For any state races, there is also a state racing waiver required.

RACING EVENTS:

Deadline for racing events is CSC meeting before the event. (Tuesday February meeting) Any revisions for run order must be handed in, in writing at the registration on Saturday morning. Changes can be accommodated but additions cannot. No guarantee that any replacement team member will have name posted. Team names first submitted shall be written on result sheet. Team captains will be responsible for all name changes on Saturday morning. Coordinate with Dave Zuraw or Danbury Ski Club for all Saturday races or State Racing Chairperson Rob Dexter for State Races. Age grouping is based on age as of 12/31/2016.

Note: State Race Results must have correct racer names on all results – if correction is needed, contact **Rob Dexter** via email at skicouncil@sbcglobal.net or text 860-836-9304.

Super G: [Also CT State Championship Race]

Similar to the X-C race, the top male and female of each club counts toward points for the individual club. The lowest combined time of the clubs male and female racer earns points for the weekend. A single member would earn 1 participation point. First come, first race, on race day. This race requires a state waiver form & the weekend waiver form. Registration starts no earlier than **7:30** Saturday morning in the Governor's Lodge.

JUNIOR RACE (A and B)

Junior "A" is 10 years old or younger (as of December 31, 2016). One team per club. If requested, a junior "A" may run the junior B course. Fastest male & female combined time is the team time - up to a total of 4 points.

Junior "B": Unlimited participants- top 3 finishers combined time make the team time; one must be female, only one team per club. A junior "B" is seventeen years (as of January 1st of that year) and younger. Max total of 6 points. The event chairperson shall be responsible for all; race registration, team results, (individual results by ski area) and awarding of trophies.

SNOWBOARD RACE [Also CT State Championship Race]

This race will take place on Lower Rumrunner from top to mid-station. It will count for 10 points for the carnival weekend. A club team consists of 2 club members, any gender or any age to count toward points for the individual club. The lowest combined time of the clubs two racers

earns points for the weekend. A single member would earn 1 participation point. Note this is also the CT State Snowboard Race.

TEAM RACE; WOMEN'S RACE; CLUB RACE

Open to all CSC adults (18+ years as of December 31, 2016). Races are typically single panel courses. The team racing captain (TRC) of each club is the coordinator of any event for that club. The club winner of the Team race the year before, shall have an appointed Event Racing Chairman (ERC). The ERC shall be responsible to collect all entries, seed the races, coordinate gatekeepers, and any other duties necessary for the oversight of the races. The racing chairman of the CSC will be an overseer of the events, but not necessarily an active participant in the organization, he/she is an advisor only. The ERC shall have a team form distributed to all clubs. Each club competing shall submit in February, before the last CSC meeting before the Carnival, the forms that apply with all participants listed.

The team form will list all individual club racers and their running order. The ERC shall provide a seeding packet for each club's team captain at the day of the race. The packet shall include bibs for the racers. The Ski Club Ambassadors will write times as announced (by ski area), on the scoreboards for each race. A racer may use a snowboard or skis, but whichever is chosen may only ski/board one run for each event.

- **Team Race** shall consist of 6 man teams, best 4 finishers (total added time, may be women).
- **Woman's Race** shall consist of 4 women, best 3 finishers (total added time, may have competed on men's team).
- **Club Race** shall be the top 5 finishers, unlimited number on team (total added time, may not have skied on either men's or women's' team)

VOLLEYBALL:

All players must be club members (honor system), no age restriction. Players must all wear alpine ski or snowboard boots. Teams must maintain a minimum of 5 persons on the court at all times, 6 players on court maximum. Teams shall consist of ten players maximum on club roster. Seeding for 1st round is same as team racing seed. There is a Random draw for all "byes". Each team will have a team captain. Game is 15 points win by 2, and every play counts as a point. All rounds to be played on Saturday. Each team must check in at 2:30 pm with the event chairperson to assure there will be no last minute forfeits of any team. Meet in front of Governor's Lodge.

X-COUNTRY RACE [Also CT State Championship Race]

The race will be held at Loon East Ridge XC Trails. Race Day Registration at the Loon East Ridge XC Trails Lounge will start at 8:00 am Sunday morning, with the race starting at 9:00 am. The race may start in 30 second intervals or a mass start. (To be determined by the race chairman on race day depending on conditions and turnout). Classic style x-country skiing is the norm. The combined time of the fastest man + woman of each club will achieve points for team standing. A single member of a club will earn 1 participation point.

SKI RALLY:

Each club receives 1 packet. Unlimited number of people allowed per each club. In event of a tie, the time elapsed will be the tie breaker. Packets must be picked up by the club representative by 9:00 am Sunday morning location Governor's Lodge. Any changes to specific location shall be announced at the party on Saturday night.

FUN RACE:

Only our Fun Race Chairperson knows the rules for sure- they will be explained at the time of the event. Don't worry, it will be fun!!

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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.

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