

MANCHESTER SKI CLUB

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Presidents Message

Dear fellow members,

As I write this I am just back from the first social event of the year, the CSC Snowball. This year the club had a full contingent of over 24 dancing the night away and taking a chance on a bevy of raffle prizes.

I want to highlight the need to make our last work weekend a successful one. If you haven't been able to make it up please consider helping out as we finish some necessary tasks. Why not work on the house Saturday and ski Sunday? Sound like a plan?

The club is planning to be participating in the Manchester Road Race health expo and the Glastonbury High School in a promotional effort on Sat. Nov 22nd. If you would like to help man one of these please contact me.

As we move toward full operation those who use the lodge will notice an increased activity level regarding the commercial property in the back that we abut. We have met the new owner and he is very anxious as we are, to be good neighbors. There will be active tenants in the building so we will need to continue to be mindful of our parking activities. Please continue to follow our parking scheme and offer assistance to any newer members.

Mike Waterhouse will be continuing to be our in-house manager so we're excited about that.

See you at the holiday meeting Monday, Dec.1st.

Regards,

Jon Hiller—MSC President

Lodge Use Fee Update

Just a reminder that effective this weekend we will implement our new lodge rates for the season as discussed at our October Meeting. As discussed then, the board is actively working on future pricing structures to make the club more competitive and accessible, but a minimal increase for the season was necessary.

\$25 a night per Member

\$35 a night per Guest

\$20 a night per Member Child

\$30 a night per Guest Child

Please keep in mind our current deals: If a member brings a guest(s) and their stay equals \$100.00 or more for the duration, the member will get a free night stay at the lodge!

Remember that for each new family you recruit for gold membership you get awarded three free night stays and for each single gold membership you will be awarded one free night stay.

December Club Meeting and Holiday Party

Mark your calendars and join us on Monday December 1, 2014

Where you ask?

Community Baptist Church on 585 East Center Street, Manchester, CT 06040

Festivities start at 6:30 p.m. (Helpers arrive at 5:00 – 5:30 p.m.)

Dinner 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Brief Business Meeting 7:30 – 8:00 p.m.

What to bring:

A - H Entrée of beef, chicken, fish or meatballs for 8-10

I - N Salad, vegetable, potato, other starches for 8-10

O – Z Desserts or hors d'oeuvres for 8-10

Please bring serving utensils: there is an oven and refrigerator on premises.

Contact Carol Mitchell at 860-688-6670 for offers to help.

No Smoking or alcohol allowed.

Membership cards, Okemo tickets and raffle tickets for some epic prizes will be distributed.

Committee/work task sign-up sheet will be available. Pick your favorite and check off your volunteer requirement for the year!



[Next Work Weekend is November 21st-23rd! This is the BIG ONE!](#)

It's crunch time people. We have a ton of work to do to get the lodge in shape prior to ski season...and technically the season has started.

Major work includes finishing the duct work insulation, completing a moisture barrier in the basement and in the barn, painting and spackling and tackling items on the fire marshals list. If you can volunteer even for a day please contact Bob Klapatch at rklay@comcast.net

[Volunteers Needed for Manchester Road Race and Glastonbury Ski Sale](#)

If you are unable to make it up to the lodge we are in need of some club recruiters to help out at two tabling events on 11/22/14. We have a table at the **Manchester Road Race Health Expo** that day from 8:00am-2pm, and at the **Glastonbury Ski Sale** from 7am-12pm. Please contact Jon Hiller (jhiller55@gmail.com) if you would be willing to help out for even an hour or two and talk about how awesome our club is and where we are going! Help people sign up and fill out applications on site and answer any questions.

I have done this before at local EMS stores and have had really great success. Get that volunteer requirement done with and help us grow!

[Lodge Parking Update for the 2014-2015 Ski Season](#)

Effective immediately the club is only able to park on club property. For years we were able to use the entire back area for parking, but there is a new business owner in the commercial space behind us and he is going to be using the back of his property and we **MUST** stay clear of this area. Please see the map for reference. Green is ok, red is not ok.

We are working on a solution for overflow but in the interim we ask that people work together to be mindful of our property line.

The BOD appreciates your assistance in the matter.



BRONZE AND SILVER MEMBER APPRECIATION WEEKEND

On the weekend of Dec. 12th – 14th the club is extending an invitation to our bronze and silver members to come and stay at the Robert W. Blake lodge in Ludlow, VT.

We are extending this invitation to 25+ members to come stay and experience a weekend at the lodge and get in some early season skiing at Okemo. This will coincide with the CT Ski Council awareness days at Okemo that Friday and Saturday with Friday tickets being \$40 and Saturday \$44. That weekend Okemo is also offering a special 'learn to ski' package as well as a ski demo day on Saturday. Please see www.okemo.com for details.

Those interested in this opportunity need to be current bronze and silver members of the club. Weekend costs are \$35/night/adult and \$25/night/child for non gold members. If you know anyone that may be interested in joining the club this is a great opportunity to see what we are about. Additionally, if you decide to visit the lodge that weekend be advised its first come, first serve and there may be new members, please welcome them to our winter home!

Please respond to membership@manchesterskiclub.org or jhiller55@gmail.com with any questions.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND DEALS



Catch Warren Miller's latest film 'No Turning Back' on December 5th at the Bushnell Theater in Hartford, or catch it Dec 26th at Jackson Gore!

Updated: 9/18/14

SKI & SNOWBOARD SALE

When: The Saturday before Thanksgiving, Nov. 22nd, 2014.

Where: GHS Cafeteria

What: New & Used Equipment, Clothing & Accessories

All proceeds benefit GHS Ski & Snowboard Club

Checks / Cash Only

Any questions? Call 860-652-7200x52325 or email zelekt@glastonburyus.org

Please note this is a SALE, NOT a SWAP.

Demo Day at Okemo Mountain December 13th

Test-drive the latest ski and snowboard equipment for free at the new Sugar House Demo Center. Registration is scheduled from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. A credit card imprint is required and snowboarders must provide their own bindings.



MANCHESTER SKI CLUB

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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