



MERIDEN SKI CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Presidents Letter

October 2005

Hi Everyone,

The Meriden Ski Club Open House on October 27,2005 officially starts the ski season for us. It is time to start thinking of tuning up our skis for the coming winter. Already the seasonal events are taking shape, the chair-persons are in the process of finalizing the plans for their events to be capped off with the Budget meeting, Oct. 13,2005.

Our fiscal year started May 1, 2005, the dues renewal process is picking up steam and our treasury is looking healthy again. I encourage everyone who hasn't renewed their membership to do so, soon. Exciting events are planned for the coming months, including a new feature, our first October Hay Ride/Bonfire. The Open House, Ski Swap, Spaghetti Supper, Christmas party and lift ticket auction are all scheduled in the next three months.

I would like to offer an open invitation to all our young adult members to bring up suggestions for events that would be attractive to them and their friends. The party crowd has the opportunity to formulate events to satisfy their shared interest. This would also be a huge benefit to our club by preparing new officers and directors to keep this great club operating well into the future.

This coming season is going to exceed all expectations for snow and time on the slopes. Hope to meet with you at one or more of our many events.

Think Snow, Russ Hayden

Trips for 2005-2006 Season

Anyone interested in running a trip or other activity for the 2005-2006 season, please contact Russ Hayden. You will need to get as much detail as possible and complete a trip proposal form obtainable from Russ. The board will be reviewing the trips and activities at the monthly board meetings.

Anyone interested in submitting an article, announcement or ad for the newsletter, please contact Tanya Marks at 860-345-3240 or corsecretary@meridenski.com.

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Calendar of Events 2005 - 2006		
October	4	BOD Meeting 7PM @ Tanya Mark's
	6	Reg Meeting 7:30 PM AOH
	7-10	Camping in VT
	13	Budget Meeting 7:30 PM AOH
	20	Reg Meeting 7:30 PM AOH
	22	Ski Swap /Tag Sale 9:00 AM- 3:00 PM
	22	Hay Ride & Bonfire 7:00 PM DeMaria's Farm
	27	Open House AOH 7:00 PM
November	1	BOD Meeting 7PM TBD
	3	Reg Meeting 7:30 PM AOH
	10	Spaghetti Dinner 6:00 PM, Reg meeting to follow at 8:00 PM
	12	Snow Ball 8:00 PM CT Grand Hotel
	17	Reg Meeting 7:30 PM AOH
	24	No Meeting - Happy Turkey Day!
December	1	Reg Meeting 7:30 PM AOH
	6	BOD Meeting 7PM TBD
	8	Reg Meeting 7:30 PM AOH Lift Ticket Auction to follow
	15	Christmas Party 7:00
	19	Monday Night Racing Begins ?
	22	Reg Meeting 7:30 PM AOH
	26	Monday Night Racing
	29	Reg Meeting 7:30 PM AOH
January	1	How deep is the snow now?

Please note: Sign ups for MSC activities will take place during Member's Nights and during other activities held on Thursday nights throughout the year.

Member Conduct Responsibility

The MSC asks that its members act responsibly during club activities. Conduct on buses, lift lines, at ticket booths, at parties or on the slope is reflective of the club as a whole and is expected to be courteous, fair and respectful. Please be aware of other people and children that may observe our activities and please act accordingly. We want this club to be the best and we want its members to enjoy our activities and feel comfortable at all times. The MSC and the CSC puts forth rules for the safety and integrity of its members.

Disobeying these rules will not be tolerated.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Skier's Corner....

"Swix" Edge Conditioning Tool for sale. Sharpens & bevels edges, trims side wall. 3 tools in one. Complete with detailed instructions. Used once, new cost was \$30, asking \$15. Contact Bob Smith at 203-265-3255

House for rent at Echo Lake in Vermont, 2000 sq feet, 2 bdr, loft, 3 baths, sleeps 8. 10 miles to Killington, 2 miles to Okemo. Contact Dennis Johnson at 203-238-4288.

Come-on down to the Hayride and Bonfire with Doug and Linda McGrath!! Saturday October 22, 7:00 pm DeMaria's Farm, Berlin, CT

BYOB and snacks, blankets and fun
Tell haunted stories by the fire
Reminisce about steep powder and runaway straps

\$8.00 per person
Contact Doug at 860-829-1978

Notes...

Membership registrations can be downloaded from our website or obtainable at regular meetings. Go to www.meridenski.com to download form.

Bulk Ticket money will be turned in to the Ski Council on mid October, so please contact **John Moisek at 203-237-9077 NOW!!**

Volunteers are needed for the night of the Snowball to help out with the Raffle. Other clubs are helping out so shifts will be assigned. Please contact **Amanda at 203-686-0844.**

ASIA Ski and Snowboard Instructors are needed to help with the club's free instruction program. The club will sponsor the ASIA course in exchange for your time with the instruction program. Please see Russ or any other Board member if interested.

**Meriden Ski Club
Open House**

October 27, 2005 at 7:00 pm

Come see what we are all about!

Door Prizes:

Refreshments

Mountain Reps

Week trips
Weekend trips
Bus Trips

Free Ski Instruction
Discount Tickets
Junior Racing

Monday Night Racing

Tea Cup Raffle

AOH Hall

Melville Ave, So. Meriden

Members, Guests, Walk-ins Welcome!



*CSC and MSC invite you and your dancing shoes to our
SnowBall*

*“**Bella Northeast**”*

Saturday, November 12, 2005

8:00 pm – 1:00 pm

Connecticut Grand Hotel

3580 East Main St, Waterbury

A Semi-Formal Dance

\$20 per person in advance, \$25 at the door

Reserve your room now by calling 800-446-1449

Mention CSC for special rate of \$75.00

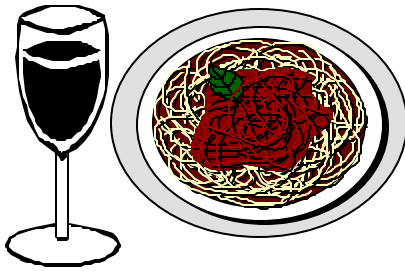
Raffles galore! Skis, snowboard, lift tickets, vacation packages and much more!

Come and support the CT Ski Council's only fund raiser of the year.

Your attendance and enjoyment is vital to our organization's continued success.

For further info contact your **Ambassador Bob Fowler at 203-235-0142**

Directions: *From I-84 West, exit 26, turn left, the hotel is 1/2 mile on left. From I-84 East, exit 25A, turn left to light, turn right, the hotel is immediately on the right.*



Adults: \$10.00
 6 - 11: \$5.00
 Under 5: Free

Meriden Ski Club Spaghetti Super

Thursday, Nov 10 2005

6:00 - 7:00 pm
 AOH Hall
 Melville Ave, Meriden

~Menu~
 Salad, Bread, Butter
 Overflowing plate of Pasta
 Wine, Desserts

For Tickets & Info contact **Peggy Fellegy**
 (203) 269-1571

Please come to this annual event held to benefit the Junior Racing Program. Money raised helps to pay for racing lessons, races, and other Junior skiing activities.

Raffle

Door Prize

50/50

MSC Bus Trips

Stratton - Sunday 12/11/2005

Sign-up starts 11/10/2005 \$28.

Mount Snow - Saturday 12/17/2005

Sign-up starts 11/17/2005 \$25.

Okemo Mountain - Sunday 01/01/2006

Sign-up starts 12/08/2005 \$32.

Mount Snow - Sunday 01/08/2006

Sign-up starts 12/15/2005 \$25.

Magic - Saturday 01/14/2006

Sign-up starts 12/22/2005 \$25.

Stratton - Sunday 02/05/2006

Sign-up starts 1/12/2006 \$30.

Sunapee Mountain - Saturday 2/11/2006

Sign-up starts 01/19/2006 \$24.

Magic - Saturday 02/18/2006

Sign-up starts 01/26/2006 \$25.

Mount Snow - Sunday 02/26/2006

Sign-up starts 02/02/2006 \$25.

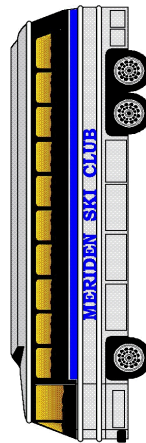
Stratton - Sunday 03/12/2006

Sign-up starts 02/16/2006 \$30.

Okemo Mountain - Sunday 03/19/2006

Sign-up starts 02/23/2006 \$28.

****This is our annual tailgate trip!****



Bus Trip Guidelines

- Deposits will only be taken for bus trips on or after the dates listed before or after the meeting. **No money will be collected during the meeting -- NO EXCEPTIONS**
- The bus price will be \$12 for members and \$22 for non-members plus \$1 driver tip. The bus fee must be paid at the time of sign-up. The lift ticket fee will be collected on the bus.
- Non-members may sign up only if space is available at the Thursday meeting before the trip.
- No refunds or cancellations allowed after the start of the business meeting one week prior to the trip.
- The bus committee must approve any video played on the bus. The committee member in charge of the bus has final say.
- Buses will leave from the Lewis street commuter parking lot in Meriden at 6:00 am sharp.
- Trip dates subject to change

Contact **Karl Skwiot**, chairman of the
 Bus Trip program
 860-829-1561

Stowe Mountain, Vermont Jan 27 - 29, 2006

The package includes:

- 2 nights accommodations at Golden Eagle Resort
- 2 breakfasts at the Colonial Café
- Saturday dinner at the Partridge Inn
- Wine & Cheese Reception
- 2 day lift ticket
- Use of resort facilities
- Gratuities and taxes included

\$209 per person four persons per room

\$225 per person triple occupancy

\$260 per person double occupancy

\$370 for a single room

Children and Senior rate will be \$27 less

No lift tickets will be \$87.00 less

\$100 PP Deposit due ASAP

\$100 Second payment due October 20, 2005

Final payments due **before** December 22, 2005

For further information call **Ken Conrad** at
(860) 426-0271
or email him at
Stowe@Meridenski.com



Vermont Camp Out at Lori & Scott's

Oct. 7th-10th

2775 Brownsville Hartland Rd.
West Windsor, VT

Mountain biking, Road biking
Shopping, Fall foliage and
Harpoon Brewery's
Octoberfest

Camping and some beds are available

For more info.
Or to R.S.V.P.
Call Scott or Lori at
(203)265-7794

Steamboat, Colorado Feb 11 - 18, 2006

CSC 1st Annual Western Trip

The package includes:

- Round Trip Airfare: Your choice LaGuardia, Newark or Boston, on United, Northwest or Continental
- Roundtrip transfers from airport to Resort
- 7 nights lodging at Storm Meadows
- 5 day lift ticket
- Ski Week Special (Welcome Party, Mountain Tour, Pub Crawl & more!)

\$1,140.00 (base price, dbl occupancy)

\$30 cash/check discount

**\$250 deposit due now (plus \$25 late fee),
final payment due 12/1/05**

Contact **Marge Hayden** at 860-621-6047 or
secretary@meridenski.com for more info and to
sign up for this fun filled trip

Hurry! Limited space!!!

MSC Annual Ski Swap, Tag Sale And Bake Sale

Saturday, October 22, 2005

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

New and used ski and snowboard equipment,
wicked cheap! Come sell your old gear!

Featuring New England Ski & Scuba and their
knowledgeable and professional staff.

Got junk? Free tables available for tag sale.
Bake cookies, brownies, or pies...or bring your
appetite for a snack, hotdog or a drink.

Call **Chuck Gardinier** for more info 203-238-4878

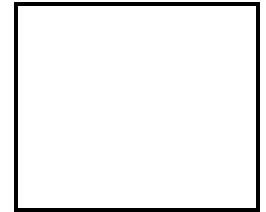
What we are working on....

...**Annual Christmas Party** on Dec 15th....

...Watch for **Member's Nights** TBA....

...**Ski Ticket Auction**...bidding on Dec 8th...

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The Meriden Ski Club was established in 1962 to provide its members with skiing opportunities and skiing values. The Club sponsors a wide variety of activities which include Sunday bus trips to ski areas in Massachusetts, New York, New Hampshire and Vermont. Weekend and week-long trips are also sponsored by the club. Free ski instruction is provided for all members and their children, and racing programs for adults and children are also available. Off season programs include the Annual Summer Picnic, bike trips, golf tournaments and other fun activities. The Meriden Ski Club meets on Thursday nights at 8:00 pm at the AOH Hall in Meriden, CT, from September to April.



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Upcoming Activities:

- * Oct 7-10 Camping in VT
- * Oct 13 - Budget Meeting
- * Oct 27 - Open House