



MERIDEN SKI CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Presidents Letter

November 2005

Hi Everyone,

In this issue of the MSC newsletter you will find good news and even better news. Membership is progressing with excellent renewal activity, in part because of our very successful Open House conducted by 1st Vice President, Don Comstock and supporting cast.

Our annual budget has been approved by the membership Oct. 13th to the credit of Treasurer David Riter, whose research, record keeping and presentation made a simple process of a very complicated and sometimes boring subject. Good questions were asked by the members who received factual, accurate answers. The budget finances are open and crystal clear.

The annual CSC Snow Ball is Nov. 12th at the Grand Hotel, East Main St, Waterbury. This is the only fundraiser for the CSC & our ambassador Bob Fowler has a party suite all ready for us. This is a real good time.

The On Snow weekend, March 3,4,5, 2006, is organized and chairwoman Lori Inman is taking deposits now. We have accommodations for over 60 people at the Garrison and racing captain Sue Schiebenpflug is already putting her "dream teams" together to improve upon our overall third place finish last year.

We will be making significant improvement to our free ski/board instruction program. I believe parents, students & instructors will be pleased with the results.

Looking ahead to March, a week long trip to Smugglers Notch with the mountain picking up the bus transportation costs. Slope side lodging, 3 mountains and 5 day lift pass all for under \$550.00. Costs more to stay home. More information to follow.

Get your ski sharpened and waxed at Suburban Sports for \$15.00. Membership card is required, offer expires Nov. 15,2005.

Snow is coming, see you on the slopes! 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 email the information** to Tanya Marks at corsecretary@meridenski.com.

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Calendar of Events 2005 - 2006		
November	1	BOD Meeting 7PM Ken Conrad's
	3	Reg Meeting 7:30 PM AOH
	10	Spaghetti Dinner 5:30 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
	11	Stratton Bus Trip
	15	Christmas Party 7:00
	17	Mount Snow Bus Trip
	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	Okemo Bus Trip - Happy New Year!!
	2	Monday Night Racing
	3	BOD Meeting 7PM TBD
	5	Reg Meeting 7:30 PM AOH
	8	Mount Snow Bus Trip
	9	Monday Night Racing
	12	Reg Meeting 7:30 PM AOH
	16	Monday Night Racing

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

**Come-on down to the
Hayride and Bonfire**
with Doug and Linda McGrath!!
Saturday November 19, 7:00 pm
DeMaria's Farm, Berlin, CT
(postponed from Oct 22)

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

\$8.00 per person

Notes...

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

Bulk Tickets are no longer available...

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.

Watch for **Council Awareness Days** next month....

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

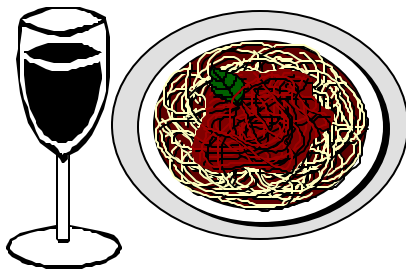
Raffles galore! Skis, snowboard, lift tickets, vacation packages and much more!

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

5:30 - 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

Eat, Drink & be Merry

MSC Annual Holiday Party

Thurs December 15, 2004

7:00 pm (No Meeting)

Buffet Dinner and Desserts Galore

Bring a \$10.00 Grab Bag if you want to participate
in the gift giving.

Please RSVP, we will need a head count.

Ho Ho Ho!

Please contact **Donna Fowler @ 203-235-0142** to
RSVP or volunteer to help out on this festive event

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, from 7:00-7:30 or after the meeting.
- **No money will be collected during the meeting -- NO EXCEPTIONS**
- The bus price will be \$15 for members and \$25 for non-members (\$1 driver tip incl). 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. Non-members are not guaranteed a ticket at CSC rates.
- 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

Meriden Ski Club Racing Program

Monday Night Racing

Starts in late December at Mt Southington

More details next newsletter

Race Clinics

For adults and Kids

More details to follow

State Races

Slalom, Giant Slalom, Cross Country & Downhill

See schedule coming soon

On Snow Carnival Weekend

March 3-5, 2006

Compete to have fun!

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!!!

Mt Southington Lift Tickets

Discount Tickets will be available at the weekly meetings starting in December. These tickets are subsidized by the club and are for members and their children only.

Contact **Lori Inman** at (203) 265-7794 or purchase at any regular meeting.

The Garrison at On Snow Carnival Weekend

March 3-5, 2006

Accommodations available, first come first serve
basis, beds are filling up quickly!!

See Lori Inman (203) 265-7794 for details

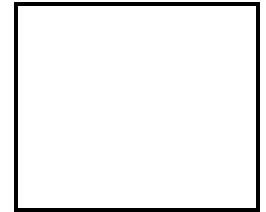
What we are working on....

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

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

...**Burke Mountain** Weekend Trip in January...

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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:

- * Nov 10 - Spaghetti Dinner
- * Nov 12 - CSC Snow Ball
- * Dec 15 - Holiday Party