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ARTICLE I. PREFACE

- Section 1. The By-Laws are the working rules of the Club
- Section 2. A By-Law is not valid if it conflicts with constitution

ARTICLE II. CLUB COLORS

- Section 1. The Club colors are blue, white and yellow.

ARTICLE III. GENERAL RULES FOR MEMBERS

- Section 1. The order of participation in a Club function shall be member, child of member, and guest (which will pay an additional charge for participating set by the chairperson).
- Section 2. Persons under eighteen (18) years of age participating in a Club activity MUST be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.
- Section 3. Members are invited to attend any Board of Directors meeting to offer suggestions which may improve the Club. Meetings shall be announced at the preceding regular Club meeting.
- Section 4. Event Chairpersons may be reimbursed for actual out of pocket expenses directly associated with their activity at the discretion of the Board of Directors.
- Section 5. Membership shall be unlimited.
- Section 6. Membership shall refrain from smoking during regular meetings.

ARTICLE IV. COMMITTEES

- Section 1. Committee chairpersons are responsible for the operation of their committees.
- Section 2. Chairpersons shall conduct the operations of their committee in conformance with the Constitution and the By-Laws.
- Section 3. Chairpersons are responsible for giving a report at each meeting

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preceding the scheduled activity.

Section 4. Chairpersons or an appointee are responsible for attending and/or participating in the activity.

Section 5. Membership Committee

A. The membership committee is responsible for all membership applications.

B. They are responsible for maintaining accurate records of current members.

ARTICLE V. CLUB RACES

Section 1. All racers must be a member of the Meriden Ski Club for at least 30 days prior to the race to receive an award.

Section 2. All racers must be signed up prior to the race.

Section 3. Each year there will be a race committee consisting of at least 3 members: 1 adult representing junior racing, 1 adult representing Monday night racing series, and at least one other ski club member who participates in racing.

Section 4. There will be two divisions of racers: adult and junior.

A. Adult: racer 18 years old or older as of race day.

B: Juniors: 17 years old or younger as of race day.

Section 5. Racers shall classify themselves when signing the waiver provided by the Club. Waivers will be reviewed prior to the race.

A. The classes of racers in the adult division are as follows:

Male and Female novice, intermediate, and advanced and Masters A:40-49, B:50-59, and C:60-and up.

B. The classes of racers in the junior division are as follows:

Male and Female: A:9 & younger, B:10-13, and C:14-17 years old.

Section 6. The race committee may change a racer's classification before the race.

Section 7. The first place winner on each classification shall advance to the next higher class before the next Club race. Advanced racers do not change classes. Vets and juniors will advance to the next age group at the appropriate time.

Section 8. If an adult classification has only 3 entries, awards will be given for the first and second place only; junior awards are given at the discretion of the junior racing chairperson.

Section 9. Any class with less than 3 racers may be combined with another class at the discretion of the race committee.

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- Section 10. If 3 racers sign up for a specific classification, but only 2 racers appear at the race, the race will be run and one award given. If only one racer appears and races he/she shall win by default.
- Section 11. Each racer shall run the course twice. Their best time shall be used in figuring the winning positions.
- Section 12. Anyone running through the gates before the race shall be disqualified.
- Section 13. The decisions of the race committee shall be final in all matters.
- Section 14. Awards:
- ADULTS: 2 Adult club trophies, one male and one female. These will be awarded to the fastest adult male and female of the day. Winners will have their name engraved on the trophy. Adult awards shall be presented at the Annual Dinner Dance. These trophies are the property of the Meriden Ski Club and shall be returned to the Club one month prior to the Annual Dinner Dance
- JUNIORS: 2 junior club trophies, one male and one female. These will be awarded to the fastest junior male and female of the day. Winners will have their name engraved on the trophy. Junior awards shall be presented at the junior awards night. These trophies are the property of the Meriden Ski Club and shall be returned to the Club one month prior to the junior awards night

ARTICLE VI. SKI INSTRUCTION PROGRAM

- Section 1. Any adult who has been a member of the Meriden Ski Club for a period of 2 years may apply to the Board of Directors to be sponsored by the club to be ASIA trained.
1. Qualifications:
 - a. Applicant should be proficient as a skier or snow boarder with at least five years experience.
 - b. Applicant must be a resident in a location within a easily traveled distance to the instruction location.
 - c. Applicant shall become a ASIA member before partaking in the ASIA program.
 2. Responsibilities of applicant:
 - a. Apply to the MSC Board of Directors for approval.
 - b. Choose a program location and date.
 - c. Complete an ASIA application form and submit it at least 2 weeks prior to class date.
 - d. Attend program as required to attain level 1 certification.
 - e. Provide the MSC Board of Directors with a written report, including expenses.
 - f. Provide MSC with member instruction for a minimum period of two seasons or 16 lessons days.
 - g. If required, provide leadership for the MSC instruction program.

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3. Responsibilities of the Meriden Ski Club

- a. After attaining level 1 certification the MSC will reimburse the participant, the cost of the required lift tickets and instruction materials required.
- b. The MSC may provide up to \$200.00 for additional expenses toward transportation, food and lodging by the participant. An accurate expense account with receipts of expenses must be provided for reimbursement.

Section 2. The chairperson and the Board of Directors shall determine who will be sent to take the ASIA course.

Section 3. The chairperson shall be responsible for adequately staffing the ski instruction program.

Section 4. Jr. Racing chairperson(s) shall be reimbursed for the cost of their lift ticket for the evening of the instruction program.

ARTICLE VII. SKI CLUB AMBASSADOR

Section 1. The election of the Ambassador shall be at the Annual Meeting.

Section 2. The reigning Ambassador shall accept nominations from the floor, conduct the election and present the winner at the Annual Dinner Dance.

Section 3. Nominees must be a skier and active in the Club.

Section 4. Nominees may be single or married.

Section 5. The Club shall provide the Ambassador with two tickets to the CT Ski Council Snowball, Tiara, Club banner, 1 year free Sunday bus trips (excluding lift ticket), and a corsage for the Annual Dinner Dance.

Section 6. She/he shall chair an annual fundraiser.

ARTICLE VIII. TRIP POLICIES

Section 1. Any person participating in a Meriden Ski Club overnight trip will be required to become a member of the Meriden Ski Club. The fee will be the current membership fee.

Section 2. A deposit is required of all persons wishing to participate in a Club trip and shall be paid by a date set by the trip chairperson. The chairperson shall set the amount of the deposit.

Section 3. All trips shall be paid in full, in advance.

Section 4. Deposits and payments in full cannot be guaranteed refundable.

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Section 5. Additional guidelines for Sunday Bus Trips:

- A. Members are permitted to sign up one guest per member the last meeting just prior to the trip, then additional guests may signed up if available space permits. A guest must sign a waiver when attending the trip.
- B. No cancellations or refunds are allowed after the start of the business meeting just prior to the trip. However, the chairperson will maintain a waiting list and if the space can be sold a cancellation/refund may be permitted at the discretion of the chairperson. The chairperson's decision will be final in all cases.
- C. Juniors under 18 are to be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.
- D. In cases of disagreement the bus chairperson's decision shall be final.

ARTICLE IX. POWDER RIDGE AND MOUNT SOUTHTON LIFT TICKETS

Section 1. These tickets shall be sold only at Club meetings.

Section 2. Only members of the Meriden Ski Club may purchase tickets.

Section 3. Only one ticket per area per week per member (including members children) may be purchased. If there is no regular weekly meeting scheduled, an extra ticket may be purchased for each canceled meeting at the meeting immediately preceding the canceled meetings.

ARTICLE X AWARDS

Section 1. Schussboomer Award

- A. This award is to be presented to the member who has done the most for the Club during the past year.
- B. The award may not be presented to the same person in consecutive years.
- C. Voting for this award shall be at the Annual Meeting.
- D. The current holder shall accept nominations from the floor, conduct the elections and present the award at the Annual Dinner Dance.

Section 2. Sportsperson Award

- A. This award is to be presented to the member who has participated in most of the winter activities and the one who is considered the best Sports person in the Club.
- B. The award may not be presented to the same person in consecutive years.
- C. Voting for this award shall be at the Annual Meeting.
- D. The current holder shall accept nominations from the floor, Conduct the election and present the award at the Annual Dinner Dance.

Section 3. Persons making nominations for the above awards must give qualifications of the nominee.

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Section 4. Hillard "Dutch" Stoltmann Award

- A. The Hillard Stoltmann award shall be presented annually, at the Awards Dinner.
- B. It will be presented to a first year member, who by his or her participation in the activities of the Meriden Ski Club, has exemplified the spirit of Hillard "Dutch" Stoltmann.
- C. Recipient will be selected from a slate compiled by the Board of Directors. One name will be chosen from this slate by a majority vote.
- D. The recipients name will be engraved on the award which he or she will be honored to display for one year.

ARTICLE XI: Amendments to the By-laws:

A member may make a motion to amend or create a By-law at a regular Meriden Ski Club business meeting. The Bylaw will be adopted by a majority vote.