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MEETING FAQs

This Month's Meeting
Wed., October 17, 2007
7:30 p.m.
*South Windsor
Community Center
150 Nevers Road
Room: 206*
Refreshments served

Next meeting will be held on
Wed. November 14, 2007

Message from our President, Lois A. Krause:

First of all, thank you Rick Paliuca, VP for standing in for me at the Sept. meeting. Rick seemed to be doing such a great job when I got there, so I let him continue. Also thanks to Richie Staron for the pizza, and to Rich and Ellen Corrado for the extras and drinks for everyone to enjoy!

Well, judging by the weather, it seems as if we will not have any ski season this year. Last year it got hot in Oct., but it has been hot for all of Sept. including our day on the

"Argia" sailing out of Mystic on Sept. 23. Thanks Jen Paliuca for putting that trip together – we had a great time and anyone who didn't make it, missed a great sail. Some members got to hoist the sails, and some got to steer the boat. Jen, I don't know how you got the weather to cooperate, but it was a perfect day (Can you do that for snow too?) - Thanks!

We have some great programs coming up, so take note. We may be having a Safety and Helmet program at our Oct. meeting, come on out and see if we pull it off.

In Nov. we plan to give out the bulk tickets from the mountains, but we may not get them all until Dec. **Please note that Nov. & Dec. meetings are on the second Wed. of the month because of the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays being so close to the third Wed.**

As many of the mountains in New England are under new management this year, we may have some problems with tickets and credits. Bear with us and we will put information on the website as soon as we have it. Killington and Pico are not participating this year, but they promised we would get credits for returns from last year. We still don't know how that is going to be handled. **STAY TUNED!!!** *NOTE: Please remember that all of our officers, and committee chairs are volunteers. This goes for our Ticket Coordinator, Christina Logue, as well. Because of the recent indecision of the mountains, and lack of communication to the Council (and clubs), she has had many extra calls and e-mails with questions (not her fault), and some people were not very nice. If you do not like the **voluntary** service you are getting, and think you can

do a better job, please volunteer to help or take it over from her for next year, or at least offer to help instead of being "less than nice". **If you sent in your order late, or without money, you will not be able to purchase pre-buy tickets from the mountains. Sorry, no money, no tickets.**

In Nov., just in time for the holidays, the Snow Snake meeting will again feature a representative from Wethersfield's Alpine Haus. He will show us some of the latest equipment and give out discount coupons. The coupons are valid for one special week in Dec. and may be applied to anything in the store. Please visit them and show your appreciation of their support of the club.

Please join us on Nov. 10 when the Windsor Marriott will host the Snow Ball. The tickets are \$20 in advance and Marie Carparelli will have tickets to sell at our club meeting in Oct. or \$25 at the door. As the only fundraiser, we need raffle prizes: Get your favorite restaurant, ski place, or commercial establishment to contribute a prize. Bring your contributions to the Oct. 17th meeting. Support the Council so they get those great discounts tickets for us, and the wonderful discount days.

The club asks again that you step up and help lighten the load of work to run the club. Now considered a large club, there is a lot to do – if you have a few friends that are members, consider doing a job as a team – it is fun, and you can socialize as you do it.

Think Snow!!!



CCSS NEWS

Membership forms for the 2007-2008 season have all been sent out. If you have not received yours, or would like additional forms, please print them out from the Snow Snakes website www.ctsnowsnakes.org or contact Sam Rubin with any questions. The **Ski Council Awareness Days Preliminary List** has been posted on the Ski Council website at www.skiclub.com/Default.aspx?uc=MemberBenefits

For some skiers and snowboarders the season begins only after they have seen the newest Warren Miller film. This year there will be two screenings of **Warren Miller's Playground** at Hartford's Bushnell Theater on Dec. 14, 6:30 pm and 9:30 pm. Your ski club will be offering a limited number of tickets for you at \$22 each. This is list price, but no shipping, handling or traveling expenses to get them. Please come to the Oct. meeting to reserve your seat for this fun, inspirational event with its popular prizes and ski discounts!

Snow Snake Ski Trips

Sugarloaf/USA, Maine
January 13-18, 2008
Lodging, Lift tickets and Lessons for 5 days, \$305 per adult; \$90 per child. Deposits of \$195 per adult, \$50 per child, due by NOV. 9; balance due by DEC. 12
Contact Marie Carparelli at (860) 649-5765 or e-mail mikelcarp@aol.com

Banff/Lake Louise, Alberta, Canada
March 1-8, 2008
Airfare, lodging and 5-day lift tickets to Banff, Sunshine Village & Lake Louise for \$1200 per person.

First deposit was due SEPT. 19. Contact Bill Doster at (860) 644-1155 or (860) 841-0186 or e-mail bdoster@cox.net with any questions. Passports required.

The new **Entertainment Books** have arrived. As always, they provide many ways for you to save money (to spend on ski trips!). Try a new restaurant, go for a Sunday drive and get an ice cream cone, or play golf on different courses. There's dry cleaning, car washes, stores, hotels, etc. It's a **win-win** for you and the club (which is **YOU** again). Buy one for your self, as a gift, or sell one to a colleague or neighbor. Who doesn't need to save money! They are also available for other states.

Come to the Oct. meeting and pick up a book, or two. If we run out, leave your name and we will order more. It's that simple. If you can't make the meeting, call Chris at 860-647-9415. Support your club, and help your self!

CSC NEWS

This year's **Snow Ball**, with a **Downhill Dreams** theme, takes place on Saturday, Nov. 10 from 8 pm to 1 am at the Hartford/Windsor Marriott, 28 Day Hill Rd., Windsor. Live music by **Steppin' Out**. Free prizes!

Tickets can be purchased in advance for \$20, at the door (if still available) \$25. Buy tix at the Oct. meeting or contact Marie Carparelli (see Sugarloaf trip info for contact info).

CSC Ski Trips

Winter Park, Colorado January 26-February 2, 2008

or

Telluride, Colorado, February 16-23, 2008

with the New Haven Ski Club, contact Debbie Jones at (203) 924-2957 or debbiejones17@sbcglobal.net

Quebec City's Winter Carnival/400th Anniversary
February 14-17, 2008 with the Danbury Ski Club, contact Jim Seri, (203) 798-2597

Lake Tahoe, February 16-23, 2008 with The Goodmen Ski Club, contact Rich Cholewinski (203) 980-2438 or rich.cholewinski@ipc.com

These Ski Council sponsored trips need to be reserved ASAP.

Save the date for On Snow Carnival Weekend at Okemo, Feb. 29-March 2, 2008.

Deadline for newsletter entries is the first Monday of the month. Contact Linda Grodofsky at (860) 644-5924 or lgrodofsky@aol.com

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DIRECTIONS

The South Windsor Community Center

150 Nevers Road

From Route 84 East: Take Exit 62 (Buckland Rd). Turn left onto Buckland Rd. At the fifth traffic light, go straight onto Sullivan Ave (Rte 194) Note: Wapping Community Church is on your right after intersection.

*At the second traffic light, turn right onto Sand Hill Rd, then left onto Nevers Rd.

Community Center is on the right (across from the South Windsor High School).

From Route 84 West: Take Exit 62 (Buckland Rd). At the end of the ramp, turn right onto Pleasant Valley Rd. At first traffic light, turn left onto Buckland Rd. At the third traffic light, go straight onto Sullivan Ave (Rte 194) Note: Wapping Community Church is on your right after intersection.

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From route 91N:

Take the Rte 291 exit toward South Windsor Bissell Bridge. Take Exit 4 (Rte 5). At the end of exit, go straight across Rte 5 onto Ellington Rd (Rte 30). Follow about 3.5 miles to Sullivan Ave (Rte 194) Note: Wapping Community Church is on your left after intersection. Turn left onto Sullivan Ave. Follow directions from*

From route 91S:

Take Exit 44 onto Rte 5. Follow Rte 5 south for about 4 miles. Turn left onto Sullivan Ave and follow for about 3 miles. Turn left onto Sand Hill Road, then left onto Nevers Rd. Community Center is on the right (across from the South Windsor High School).



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