



# MANCHESTER SKI CLUB

## September, 2007

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Reservations: [j.sisson@snet.net](mailto:j.sisson@snet.net) or call Loisann Sisson (860) 870-7471  
Please pay lodge overnight and dinner fees by check only  
CLUB WEBSITE [WWW.MANCHESTERSKICLUB.ORG](http://WWW.MANCHESTERSKICLUB.ORG)

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## Discount Ticket Deadline October 1!! See Enclosed Forms

### President's Message:

With fall arriving on September 23rd, can winter be far behind? The cool nights are a reminder that summer is leaving. I hope everyone is thinking skiing. Besides getting ourselves in shape for skiing, it's not too early to think about getting our skis in shape for the season. At this month's Board of Directors meeting we discussed the following:

**Meeting:** the first meeting of the year is 7:30pm on October 1st, with a program on ski tuning. Also, at this meeting we will have the job chart so anyone who has not signed up may do so at the meeting. See this newsletter for more information on the meeting location and program.

**Membership/Recruitment:** this is one of the top concerns of the BOD. Renewals are still coming in and we do have about six new member units. However, based on our current memberships we are still down. Currently we have 248 total members (162 adults & 86 children); 169 of these are lodge members. The BOD has been actively marketing to increase the membership, as outlined in last month's message. Membership forms can be found on the website, and then forwarded to Arlene Gazza with member dues. **Note** her new address: **319 Scotland Rd., Windham, CT 06280**. If you join before October 1st you will be able to purchase discounted ski tickets.

**Ticket information:** ticket forms are included with this newsletter and must be received by October 1st so the order can be placed with CSC. Please make sure to send your order to the correct address which is listed on the order form.

**Locker lottery:** was held at this month's meeting. Thanks to all who were interested. See this newsletter for the locker assignments. If you are currently using a locker, please remove your items immediately.

**Work weekend:** is scheduled for September 29 & 30. Contact Bill Jones or Byron Smith if you can help out.  
Mary J. Sylvestre  
President MSC

### **»» Contact Change for Lodge Reservations ««**

Loisann Sisson will be handling reservations this year. Contact her at 860-870-7471 or via email at [j.sisson@snet.net](mailto:j.sisson@snet.net).

**Reservations:** Lois Ann Sisson will be handling reservations this year. A big THANKS to Frank Stadmeier for his dedicated service over the past 6 years.

**Membership Meeting Kickoff:** The first membership meeting of the year will be held **Monday, October 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:30 pm** at the South Methodist Church, corner of Hartford Rd. and South Main St. in Manchester. Back by popular demand for our meeting program will be Jon Orzolek and Byron Smith who will present their ski tuning skills to the club members. This meeting will also be the last chance to submit your forms and checks for discount tickets for Okemo and the other mountains.



# OTHER VERMONT SKI AREA TICKETS AVAILABLE!!!!

## VERMONT SKI AREA TICKET VOUCHER PURCHASE FORM (NON-OKEMO)

### TICKETS VOUCHERS ORDERED ARE GOOD FOR THE 2007-2008 SKI SEASON ONLY

The MSC is pleased to offer tickets to other Vermont ski areas this season via the Connecticut Ski Council (CSC) in **only one** bulk ticket purchase. The deadline to order new 2007-2008 vouchers for these ski areas is **October 1st, 2007**. **Payment for these ski area vouchers must be made separately from your Okemo ticket purchase.** Tickets are valid on all holidays, weekdays and weekends during the 2007-2008 ski season. **Tickets are for club member use only and shall not be sold or given to non-club or non-CT Ski Council individuals.**

- Under no circumstances will the Club be refunding dollars for outstanding 2006-2007 returned tickets or if less tickets are ordered for the 2007-2008 season than were returned from the 2006-2007 season.
- The MSC has received full credit for all "Other Mountain" tickets returned from the 2006-2007 ski season. If you have returned "Other Mountain" tickets last season, please apply FULL credit to this year's ticket purchase.
- APPLY ANY CREDITS TOWARDS THE PURCHASE OF THE SAME NUMBER OF TICKETS OR MORE AT THE SAME MOUNTAIN!

**All Payment for these ski area ticket vouchers must be received by October 1st, 2007**

**SEND PAYMENT TO: MSC c/o Mary Anne Orzolek, 35 Timberwood Rd. Kensington, CT 06037**

**NOTE: Mail sent with insufficient postage will be refused and returned to the sender**

The MSC Board of Director's reserves the right to refuse any new ticket orders received after the **October 1st, 2007** deadline.

Questions: Call 860-828-8124. (**Do not send your ticket order to the MSC PO box. Do not send cash.**)

**REMEMBER TO INCLUDE CHECK OR MONEY ORDER FOR THE CORRECT AMOUNT MADE OUT TO:  
MANCHESTER SKI CLUB (NO CASH WILL BE ACCEPTED)**

**ALL VOUCHERS MUST BE PICKED UP AT THE ANNUAL MSC HOLIDAY PARTY!!!!**

\*\* It is not known at this time what the return limitations are for this year's ticket purchases so order wisely!

AREA	CREDIT '06/07			PURCHASE '07/08			TOTAL
	QTY	COST	CREDIT \$	QTY	COST	PURCHASE \$	DUE \$
Killington		\$45	-		Call for \$ (1)		
Pico		\$35	-		Call for \$ (1)		
Sugarbush		\$41	-		\$44		
Acutney Adult		\$33	-		\$34		
Ascutney Jr		\$28	-		\$29		
Bromley Adult		\$34	-		\$37		
Bromley Jr		\$26	-		\$29		
Snow		\$42	-		\$46		
Stratton		\$44	-		\$45		
<b>TOTALS</b>			-				

(1) As of Sept 11<sup>th</sup>, pricing was not yet available for Killington & Pico. For updates, call or e-mail MaryAnne Orzolek at 860-828-8124 or [bluemagoo4@comcast.net](mailto:bluemagoo4@comcast.net)

**NO REFUNDS ARE GIVEN**

**PLEASE: SEND ORIGINAL AND KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM**

**Member**  
**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Home Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Work Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**City/State/Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Mandatory**  
**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Manchester Ski Club**  
**MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM - Ski Season 2007-2008**

NAME(S): \_\_\_\_\_

FAMILY MEMBERSHIPS INCLUDE ONLY CHILDREN UNDER 23 YRS.

CHILDREN'S NAME(S) & Ages: \_\_\_\_\_

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ADDRESS: (new? ) \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER(S): (new? ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: (new? ) \_\_\_\_\_

**TYPE OF LODGE MEMBERSHIP:** Please circle one FULL USE or MIDWEEK ONLY

**TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP:** Please circle membership amount and lodge use amount

Single Membership \$65.00                       Single Lodge use Fee \$70.00  
 Family Membership \$ 80.00                       Family Lodge use Fee \$110.00 \* (Plus \$5.00 per person)

\* **PLEASE NOTE:** Lodge use fee has increased to \$5.00 for individuals from \$65.00 to \$70.00, and families It is now \$110.00 plus \$5.00 per family member.

**Senior Membership \$ 25.00 for** members who have had continuous membership for 25 years and have reached the age of 62. This membership will not include lodge use.

**RETURN FORM TO:** Arlene Gazza 319 Scotland Rd., Windham, CT. 06280

*All membership fees and lodge use fees must be included with this form. Failure to do so will result in your application being returned to you. Form must be completed in its entirety - this means current address and phone number(s).*

**MEMBERSHIP DEADLINE IS AUGUST 1, 2007**

Membership renewal forms postmarked after August 1, 2007, will be returned for additional INITIATION fees of \$30.00, as you must then join as a *new member*. NO EXCEPTIONS.

**Total Amount Enclosed:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Checks or Money Orders Only, DO NOT SEND CASH)

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY and RELEASE OF LIABILITY**

The Manchester Ski Club is a year-round social/sports club providing a variety of activities for its members. Many of the club activities are, to varying degrees, hazardous. By making application for initial or continued membership, I/We voluntarily assume all the risks involved. By assuming all risks involved, I/We agree to not hold THE MANCHESTER SKI CLUB, it's officers or Board Members liable for any accident or injury resulting from my (or other family members) participation in a club activity or use of club facilities. This release shall be binding on my distributees, heirs, next of kin, executors, administrators and personal representatives.

I have read this release in full and understand it, and I hereby (we) apply for membership in THE MANCHESTER SKI CLUB, INC.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Received: (PMD) \_\_\_\_\_ Check Amount: \_\_\_\_\_ Check #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Manchester Ski Club**  
**MEMBERSHIP PROFILE - Ski Season 2007 - 2008**

Year that you joined the club: \_\_\_\_\_

Your names and ages: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

What special *talents* or *abilities* do you have that you would be willing to offer to the club? (Plumber, electrician, accountant, lawyer, ski racing back ground, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

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What club jobs have you done in the past? \_\_\_\_\_

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What jobs would you be interested in doing in the future? \_\_\_\_\_

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How many membership meetings do you attend each year? \_\_\_\_\_

What would you like to see the club do in the future? \_\_\_\_\_

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**2007-2008 Club Fee Increases:**

Between the inconsistent winter weather and the recent downturn in membership some fees have been increased to meet expenses for the 2007 - 2008 year. No major expenses beyond the basics are planned for the club until income goes up. The cure for this is to get membership levels back to where they used to be. If you know some good candidates for our club please have them consider joining.

**New fees:**

Lockers - \$20/yr to \$25/yr

Adult lodge member overnight fee - \$10/night to \$12 /night

Child lodge member overnight fee - \$9/night to \$10/night

Guest adult overnight fee - \$20/night to \$25/night

Guest child overnight fee - \$15/night to \$20/night

***No changes to the membership fees***

**Pig Iron Sports Activities:** Pig Iron will be having a sale Columbus Day and will let us set-up a table with MSC member information. We will need volunteers to man the table, one person per day. From approximately 11AM to 4 PM.

**Locker Lottery:** This year there have been more persons applying for lodge lockers than the number of lockers available. The Board of Directors held a lottery at the 9/10 board meeting with the following results:  
Locker 1 – A. Knight, Locker 2 – A. Gazza, Locker 3 – N. McGrath, Locker 4 G. Sylvestre, Locker 5 – F. Stadmeyer, Locker 6 – S. Thorne, Locker 7 – D. Schain, Locker 8 – B. Jones, Locker 9 – N. Fletcher, Locker 10 – L. Sisson, Locker 11 – T. Spiller, Locker 12 – M. Kehoe.

The Board will make available 2 cubbies each for the remaining members who requested lockers: L. Johnson, J. Orzolek, C. Lyons, L. Gaedt. The cubbies are large enough to fit plastic tubs.

**Lowering Our Carbon Footprint at the Lodge:** In some cases, the barn dorm in the lodge only has a few people staying in there over the weekend. To be keeping the heat up is inefficient, and we need to mind the budget these days when our membership numbers are down. To address this some bunk beds will be moved from the dorm to the main house to allow the opportunity to keep the heating costs down for the barn.

### **Lodge Reminders:**

- Lodge members are reminded that all lockers are to be cleaned out after the ski season per The Lodge Regulations Item 14.) "At the end of the ski season all personal items: food, beverages toiletries, sleeping bags, clothing, ski equipment, etc. must be removed from the lodge." Currently there is a lot of winter stuff at the lodge that needs to go, so please make plans to move things out.
- Locker assignments will be made in the fall based on demand.
- Members using the lodge during the summer, unless working at a work weekend, must put the check for the use of the lodge in the box on the counter in the kitchen, or give the check directly to Sandy Cohen.
- Non-lodge members are free to use the lodge during the summer months. You will pay the guest rate.

**Brattleboro Outing Club welcomes MSC members to all their events.** Please check the following link for their summer schedule: [www.brattleborooutingclub.org](http://www.brattleborooutingclub.org)

Manchester Ski Clubbers,

I invite you to join our new RowBOC program for scullers. We are in the process of acquiring a few boats and may get some donated boats. The location of this dock is on the West River which runs into the CT River. Our Quonset Hut is located right across from the docks above the Marina Restaurant in Brattleboro. Our new dock was put in the water Wednesday. It came out well.

Dave

Brattleboro Outing Club

### **CSC News and Events:**

CSC website link is [www.skiclub.com](http://www.skiclub.com)

**CSC Snowball drink contest:** The Connecticut Ski Council will be sponsoring a favorite drink contest. The Snowball committee of the CSC is looking for a drink and a name to go with the drink that relates to skiing and/or the theme (the theme this year is *Downhill Dreams*). All suggestions are due to Kristine Johnson, CSC Ambassador (860-243-1304 or [kjo408@aol.com](mailto:kjo408@aol.com)) before October 9.

**CSC Awareness Days:** A preliminary copy of the CSC Awareness days ski ticket discounts is available in the September CSC Newsletter. We will post the final addition of the list next month, but if you would like sneak peak go to [SkiClub.com](http://SkiClub.com).

**SAVE THE DATE – 2007 CSC Snow Ball – Windsor Marriott - Saturday, November 10, 2007. A Great Holiday Ball for all CSC Members**

Every 3 years, each club must participate on a Snow Ball Committee to maintain membership in the Connecticut Ski Council. 2007 is our year. The Manchester Ski Club has requested the Security Committee. We will need a Security Committee Coordinator and members to work the day of the Snow Ball. Please contact Leigh Nelson if you are interested. This job will be much easier than the raffle we ran 3 years ago, especially if we have enough volunteers. The event is a large holiday ball event with live music dancing and a great time overall, with many raffle prizes from ski shops and other retail shops.

**Ludlow Area Events:**

Check out various summer events in the Ludlow area at the following websites: (go to EVENTS sections)

[www.vacationinvermont.com](http://www.vacationinvermont.com)

[www.okemo.com](http://www.okemo.com)

[www.killington.com](http://www.killington.com)

[www.vtliving.com](http://www.vtliving.com)

**10/7/2007 - Ludlow Streetscapes Hoedown**

The Hoedown coincides with Columbus Day weekend when foliage is at its finest, so mark your calendars and invite all of your friends and relatives. The evening activities will consist of a finger licking good BBQ dinner prepared by Chef Breen of Jackson Gores Coleman Brook Tavern, along with live music and dancing. There will be a silent auction of "Unique Vermont Experiences", as well as a live auction. Tickets will be available for purchase at the Wine & Cheese Depot and Hunter Lea Gallery.

Saturday, 9/1: Okemo Snow Sports shop open 9-5pm - *select helmets 50% off. Salomon F1 pole 40% off. Rossignol VS Oversize was \$899 now \$399!*

For more upcoming events at Okemo, contact the following: [oksunlistman@okemo.com](mailto:oksunlistman@okemo.com)

***Future Ski Swaps:***

Dates & more information will be coming out for these and any others we hear about. If MSC can set up a table at these we will need volunteers to help distribute member forms & be available to answer questions about MSC - this will be communicated in the newsletter. Members can contact a board member if interested in helping out.

**Ski Sundown Annual Ski Patrol Ski Swap**

**Date of Event:** 11/02/2007 to 11/04/2007

In Ski Sundown's base lodge, Fri., Nov. 2 from 4pm to 9pm; Sat., Nov. 3 from 10am to 9pm and Sun., Nov. 4 from 10am to 4pm. Sale of new and used equipment and clothing. Cash or check only; no credit/debit cards accepted. Items may be dropped off beginning at 4pm on Fri., Nov. 2 and up until 2pm on Sat., Nov. 3. No "straight" skis accepted and bindings must meet DIN standards. Ski Patrol retains 20% of each item price if sold. Items not sold must be picked up at 4pm on Sunday.

**Contact Phone:** 860-379-7669

**Contact Email Address:** [customerservice@skisundown.com](mailto:customerservice@skisundown.com)

**Mount Southington:**

**Date of Event:** 10/20/2007

The Mount Southington Annual Ski Swap will be held on Saturday, October 20, 2007 from 10 am to 4 pm and Sunday, October 21, 2007 from 11 am to 3 pm.

**Glastonbury High School Ski Club swap/sale** in November.

**BIG RACE SKI EQUIPMENT SALE**

**Suburban Sports, 25 Webster Square, Berlin CT**

**Wholesale discounted race skis and equipment. Race stock and plug boots**

**BIG SALE September 23<sup>rd</sup> 12 noon to 5 PM**

**ELAN, TOKO @ 35% OFF AND MORE**

**Ask for Peter Englert, tell him you are from MSC. See [www.suburbansport.com](http://www.suburbansport.com) 800-799-5927**