



MANCHESTER SKI CLUB

February, 2006

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Please pay lodge overnight and dinner fees by check only

Mark Your Calendars!

- The next membership meeting will be held Monday, March 6th, at the same location, South Methodist Church, corner of Hartford Rd. and South Main St. in Manchester.
- Robert W. Blake Challenge Race Saturday, March 11th at 10AM. Further information and registration is contained in this newsletter.
- There will be an April membership meeting this year that will be open to the public. This meeting will be the 2006 MSC Annual Meeting and will be used to allow members to turn in unused tickets for return to the CSC (where applicable) and to have the membership vote in a slate of officers and elected board members for the 2006-2007 season. By-Law changes for the club will also be voted on at this meeting. See the proposed changes in this newsletter.

The Board of Directors has reviewed and approved the following slate of Officers and Elected Board members for the 2006 – 2007 year. This slate will be presented to the membership at the Annual Meeting on April 3rd

Officers

President: Leigh Nelson
Vice President: Mary Sylvestre
Treasurer: Gary Warzocha
Past President: Al Brunner

Elected Board Members

Bob Haas
Bill Jones
Susan Prusack

Reminder!!

Please send any **email address changes/updates** to Arlene Gazza (860-633-2312/argazza@cox.net) **and** Debbie Celani (dcelani1@cox.net). If we don't have your **correct** email address, we can't get the newsletter out to you!

If you are receiving the email version of the newsletter and want to continue to receive a hard copy version you must contact Debbie Celani (dcelani1@cox.net)!

»»Reservations email Address Change««

Frank Stadmeyer has a new Email Address for the reservations. The new address is manchesterskiclub@gmail.com. Please notice that it's gmail.com **NOT** gtemail.net.

By- Law Changes to be voted on by the membership at the Annual meeting on April 3rd 2006.

Article III
Membership

Section 1

WAS All persons shall be eligible for membership who are in sympathy with the ideals of the Club and who wish to promote its objectives. However, the membership may be limited as recommended by the Board of Directors. In establishing a limit the Board of Directors shall be guided by the extent of the then current Club facilities and services, but the limit may in no case be less than the existing membership. Further, the limit shall not serve to exclude eighteen year old from transferring from family to single status. Any current member changing to a different membership status shall not be required pay an initiation fee.

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Section 2

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ADD:

F. Senior Membership – Members who have had a continuous membership with the Manchester Ski Club of 25 years and who have reached the age of 62 may opt to become senior members of the club. This class of membership will be offered at reduced rates, but will not include lodge membership.

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G. Junior Members – Children of club members who have been part of a club membership may become junior members of the club up to the age of 23, if their primary residence is at their parent's home and they are attending college. Proof of college attendance and residence may be required at the discretion of the membership committee or board of directors.

Article V
Meetings

ADD:

Section 5:

Proxy Votes – A membership vote may be accomplished by use of a written proxy vote if the member is not able to attend a club membership meeting. As a minimum the proxy vote will require the exact text of the item(s) being voted and names and signatures of the voting member, and the member who is delivering the proxy vote. The proxy vote must be presented in person by the delivering member, to the meeting where the vote is being taken. The voting member and the delivering member must both be in good standing with the Manchester Ski Club at the time of the vote. The vote will count as part of the quorum count for the meeting. The proxy form will be provided by the Board of Directors and will as a minimum contain the following information:

I _____ (print name) hereby assign my membership vote to

_____ (print name) for the following membership vote:

Voting member signature

Delivering member signature

Date

RACE NEWS:

Interclub Race brings out record number of Skiers!

The Interclub Race, know as the Jean Bloom - Lysobee Memorial Race, was held on Saturday, Feb 11 on the Nastar course at Okemo. It was a beautiful day and more than 100 skiers lined up to participate from the Norwalk Ski Club, the Grumman Ski Club and MSC. From ages 8 to 74 the MSC club was well represented. And as in previous years, our women and young people carried us to honor! The conditions were very good at Okemo especially considering the weather fluctuations.

Katie Brunner won the race in the 13-15 age group, as did Lauren Germano for the 16-18 age group and Kristen Orzolek for the 19-21 age group. Our house manager Sandy Cohen cleaned up in the over 70 women's category. Lauren Germano also won first place for fastest female in both the real and adjusted time categories. Way to go Lauren! We'd also like to thank some of our other young adults racers like Kevin Stadmeyer who made the trip up from NYC for this race.

Other excellent times were posted by our men especially by the father-son team of John and Sean Orzolek, and John Germano. The clubs overall score was 232 seconds for our top ten skiers, not enough to beat the club times of Norwalk (206) and Grumman (204). On the other hand, by the rowdy applause given our winners at the awards celebration, I think the MSC came in first place for most enthusiastic!

Many Thanks to Preston Maynard and his committee for all their hard work to put this race together with the other clubs, as well as our other club members who helped set-up the post race party at the Lysobee's ski lodge.

We hope you will join us for another special racing day on March 11th, at the Robert W. Blake Challenge Race. This is our clubs own race in honor of one of our founders. A house party and awards ceremony will follow the race. All kids 15 and under who race will be awarded trophies. All ages and abilities are encouraged to participate! This race includes our snowboarders also. Let's see how many of our past champions we can gather for this race. There's been plenty of room up at the lodge lately, so plan to come up!

The Robert W. Blake Challenge Race - March 11, 2006

Each season, the Club also sponsors its own club race, **The Robert W. Blake Challenge Race**, in honor and memory of Bob Blake, one of the early members of the club and an excellent ski racer.

The race usually takes place on Saturday beginning at 10:00 am. A post-race party is held at the Lodge where awards are distributed. To register, send an email to Preston Maynard, at pres10@att.net or mail the form below to him at 49 South Fair Street, Guilford CT.

Apree Party after MSC Blake Challenge Race:

Please join us at the barn rec-room in MSC about 4PM, on March 11th, for a party and presentation of trophies to the youngsters & winners after the Race. If you are able, and plan to come to this, each family, or single, should bring an appetizer item to contribute. We do not need anything as substantial as prior years, because there will be a ham dinner, put on by the Sweeney Family at 6PM. However some suggestions would be:

Chips & Salsa/cheese, Potato Chips & Dip, Stuffed Mushrooms, Cheese & Pepperoni with Crackers, etc. If you have questions, or would like to contact the Committee, call or E-mail either: Sandy Thorne, (413) 783-3799(sgt40@charter.net) or Kathie Eberhardt, (860) 633-8659, (manskiclub@aol.com).

Please Note!! Skiers of all ages and skiing abilities are welcome and encouraged to participate!

Manchester Ski Club – Race Entry Form

Name _____

Address _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Phone_Number_(H) _____

Phone_Number_(W) _____

Age: ____ Male: ____ Female: ____

Skier: ____ Snowboarder: ____

Check one or both races:

Interclub Race (2/11): ____ R.W. Blake Challenge Race (3/11): ____

Return to:

Preston Maynard, 49 South Fair St., Guilford, CT 06437

Pres10@att.net (203) 458-0344

NEW WEBSITE:

The **Manchester Ski Club Website** is now on-line and available for viewing. Please go take a look. This will become the source for forms, race dates and other key information. You can reach the website with the following link:

manchesterskiclub.org

You will find the following features up and running at the MSC website: Reservations for the lodge, Saturday night dinner calendar, ski race forms. Future plans call for the membership forms to be available for next summers membership renewals.

We would like to give a special thanks Bernadette Nelson a special thanks for all her efforts to get this website created and up and running. This is a very important tool for our club and this will help us keep the lines of communication open and current between of club members and the Board of Directors and Committees. THANKS Bernadette!!

Tickets to Buy? – Tickets to Sell?

If you have Okemo Discount Club tickets you would like to sell or if you would like to buy some tickets please contact Matt Schauster at 860-872-8509 (mattzs@comcast.net). Matt will provide to you the name and number of other club members who have what you are looking for. Tickets will be for sale at the next membership meeting while they last.

Saturday Night Suppers - 2005-2006

Saturday Night Suppers are intended not only to provide a **home cooked meal**, but also to provide an **opportunity for members to socialize**. Dinners are scheduled from the first week of January until the third week of March, with the **exception** of Race Weekends.

Reservations:

Members make reservations for dinner when they reserve rooms for the weekend. Reservations will indicate number of adults and number of children (under 13). Changes in reservations must be made by 8:00 p.m. Wednesday prior to the meal. Charges for meals are: Adults, **\$8.00**, and Children (under 13) **\$6.00**. Payment will be made by check along with payment for lodging, NOTE on check the split for lodging & dinner. The cooking member does not pay for his/her meal.

Additional meals may be purchased on Saturday on an “as available” basis only, as determined by the cook and the reservations coordinator.

Questions should be directed to the Dinner Coordinator, Sandra Thorne: email - sgt40@charter.net or 1-413-596-9497 or 1-413-478-9877 (cell).

Looking for COOKS to cover their WORK UNIT requirement. Join the FUN! Give me a call with your choice of date and menu MAIN DISH.

To ALL COOKS - PLEASE remember to SEND in your RECEIPTS and REIMBURSEMENT SHEET as soon as possible after you complete your work unit!!

SANDRA THORNE, 2 MIRICK LANE, WILBRAHAM, MA 01095

SATURDAY NIGHT DINNER LIST AND MENU

- 2/18 - Amiee Winston & John Sobeck, Lasgana (veggie and meat) suit all tastes
- 2/25 - The Coates family, Marinated Flank Steak and Bean casserole
- 3/4 - The Choma Family, Sweet and Sour Chicken
- 3/11 – Bob Blake Race – The Sweeny Family, Ham Dinner Specialty
- 3/18 - Margaret Kehoe, Chicken Specialty
- 3/25 - Carol Newman, Roast Pork Dinner
- 4/2 – OPEN _____
- 4/9 – OPEN _____

CSC First Annual Eastern Trip – Smugglers’ Notch, VT - March 14-19, 2006

Package includes 5 night slope side lodging, 5 day 3-Mountain Lift Pass, roundtrip motor coach, Saturday night dinner/dance party, all for \$540. Single occupancy - \$800, children 6 & under FREE, children 7-12 discounted 10%. For more information, contact George Krampetz at 203-743-1801.

CSC Tickets for Okemo, Sugarbush, Ascutney, Bromley and Killington are available on a limited basis at club meetings and at the lodge after 5:00PM. See our Lodge Manger, Sandy Cohen. Call ahead to Sandy at the Lodge if you are driving up and need tickets (802-228-2226).

CONNECTICUT SKI COUNCIL AWARENESS DAYS 2005-2006

Members MUST show valid CSC Club Membership card and can ONLY purchase one ticket for each CSC sticker on the membership card. Tickets are available at the listed pickup location ONLY and sales close at 1 PM. Please extend every courtesy and a sincere thank you to the following ski areas and staff for their participation.

Feb – April

2/20/06	Mon	Ragged	\$20		3/22/06	Wed	Stowe *	\$85
2/21/06	Tue	Ragged	\$20		3/23/06	Thur	Stowe *	\$111
2/22/06	Wed	Ragged	\$20		3/24/06	Fri	Stowe *	\$129
2/23/06	Thur	Ragged	\$20		3/25/06	Sat	Stowe *	\$154
2/25/06	Sat	Mt Snow	\$30		3/26/06	Sun	Stowe *	\$179
2/26/06	Sun	Mt Snow	\$25		3/27/06	Mon	Bromley	\$23
2/27/06	Mon	Mt Snow	\$25		3/31/06	Fri	Killington	\$25
3/9/06	Thur	Burke	\$22		4/1/06	Sat	Sugarbush	\$28
3/10/06	Fri	Burke	\$22		4/2/06	Sun	Sugarbush	\$28
3/11/06	Sat	Burke	\$28		4/3/06	Mon	Sugarbush	\$28
3/12/06	Sun	Stratton	\$30		3/22/06	Wed	Stowe *	\$85
3/13/06	Mon	Jiminy Peak	\$17					
3/17/06	Fri	Sunapee	\$24		*For the Stowe and Sugarbush days,			
3/18/06	Sat	Okemo	\$28		multi day tickets are nonrefundable,			
3/19/06	Sun	Okemo	\$28		Prices apply to any consecutive days			
3/20/06	Mon	Stowe *	\$36		For example any 3 consecutive			
3/21/06	Tue	Stowe *	\$60		day Stowe ticket is \$85			

Get Awareness Days Lift Tickets at:	Loon/Waterville Valley/Cranmore: Any open ticket window
Ascutney: Base Lodge main floor ticket counter	Mt Snow: Sundance Base Lodge Group Sales Office
Bolton Valley: Base Lodge inside @ Guest Services counter	Okemo: Group Services Trailer on right before the LOFT Bar.
Bromley: Any open ticket window	Ragged: Elmwood Lodge Guest Services Desk
Burke: Sherburne Base Lodge (Lower) Main ticket window	Smugglers Notch: Any open ticket window
Jay Peak: Hotel building Customer Services office	Stowe: Spruce Peak Lodge ticket desk
Jiminy Peak: Paul Major Welcome Center Guest Services desk	Stratton: Any open ticket window
Killington: Snowshed Base Lodge	Sugarbush: Any open ticket window
Magic: Base Lodge look for CSC sign at ticket office	Sunapee: Group Sales Office in the Spruce Lodge.

Connecticut Ski Council Season Discounts 2005 -2006

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Ascutney 802 -484-7711

www.ascutney.com

A \$15 discount off the regular \$56/54 (week end / week day) Adult or \$42/38
Jr 7-16 and Sr 65 -69 rate good all season long with no holiday blackout.
Members must show Club membership card with valid CSC sticker.
As usual skiers and snowboarders 6 and under and 70+ are free.

Bolton Valley info 877 -926-5866

www.boltonvalley.com

A \$20 discount on full rate full day lift tickets excluding holiday periods .
Holidays 12/24/04 -1/2/05, 1/14 -1/16and 2/18 -2/26.
Regular weekend rates \$49/39/35 Weekdays \$42/30/30 (Adult/college, teen/Jr,Sr)
Members must show Club membership card with valid CSC sticker.

Butternut 413 -528-2000 X154

www.skibutternut.com

Club Sunday Program valid every Sunday including Holidays. Only available by showing
Club membership card with valid CSC sticker at the Group Services Booth to the far left.
Lift tickets \$25 (save \$21 off regular Adult \$46 rate) Group Lessons \$10 (regular \$30)
Ski or Snowboard Rentals \$20 (regular \$30) Ages 7+
Mon. thru Thur. Non Holiday tickets are available at any ticket window for \$15

Catamount 518 -325-3200

www.catamountski.com

Saturdays \$30 (regular \$48) Sundays \$26 (regular \$48) Excludes Holidays which are \$10 off.
Monday -Thursday days \$15 excluding holidays. Wednesday and Thursday Nights starting
3 PM \$17, Friday and Saturday nights starting 5 PM \$17.
Members must show Club membership card with valid CSC sticker/s and photo I.D.

Powder Ridge 860 -349-3454 877 -SKIRIDGE

www.powderridget.com

Tuesday \$15 day or evening lift ticket. Friday 20% off an evening (4 to 8) Snow Tubing ticket
Monday thru Thursday \$49 day or evening Lift, Lesson and Rental Package (Regular \$75)
All discounts exclude Holidays, Dec. 23rd - Jan. 1st, Jan. 16th, Feb. 20 -24th
Members must show Club membership card with valid CSC Sticker.

Magic 802 -824-5645

www.magicmtn.com

\$10 discount off the weekend and holiday full rate throughout the season (Regular \$49A)
Does not include non holiday Monday thru Friday's when tickets are regularly \$25 for all.
Members must show Club membership card with valid CSC sticker.

Mohawk 860 -672-6100

www.mohawkmtn.com

Monday thru Thursday nights 6 -10 PM buy one ticket (\$22) get one free! No holiday exclusion.
Members must show Club membership card with valid CSC sticker.

Stowe 802 -253-3427

www.stowe.com

Free Stowe Card (\$65 value) to members who present their Club membership card with valid
CSC sticker at the Spruce Lodge seasons pass office. It is good for a \$49 lift ticket Sunday
thru Friday and other lodging, meal and tune up discounts.

Ski Sundown 860 -379-7669

www.skisundown.com

Club Wednesday nights 6 -10 PM Adults \$23, Jr \$20(14 and under) Members must show
Club membership card with valid CSC sticker.

Membership Drive:

MSC still has memberships available for the both general membership and lodge membership. If you know some good candidates please tell them about our great club. For further information please contact Arlene Gazza ([860-633-2312](tel:860-633-2312)/argazza@cox.net)

Needed:

Looking for a club member who would be willing to do the clubs taxes

Note of thanks:

A special thanks goes out to Donna Wertenbach for the (new) fridge at the lodge!

Upcoming Senior Winter Games:

As long as you turn 50 sometime before the end of 2006 you are eligible to compete for medals in your age group. The event will be held on Tuesday, February 28th at Ski Sundown in New Hartford. Events include Downhill (helmets required), Giant Slalom, Cross Country, and Snowshoe. Snowshoes will be provided but you'll need to bring everything else. Medals will be awarded and lunch provided after the competition. This is a great event and we'd like to see it get the level of participation it deserves! The registration form and other information can be downloaded from: http://www.seniorgamesct.org/entry_book.htm

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