



MANCHESTER SKI CLUB

February 2009

Manchester Ski Club, P.O. Box 126J7, Manchester, CT 06045

Manchester Ski Club Lodge, 4 Pleasant St., Ludlow, VT 05149 (802) 228-2226

Reservations: ManchesterSkiClub@gmail.com or call Loisann Sisson (860-870-7471)

Please pay lodge overnight and dinner fees by check only

CLUB WEBSITE WWW.MANCHESTERSKICLUB.ORG

President's message- first, I'd like to extend a big congratulations to Joan Youngs who is the CT Senior Female Athlete of the Year!!

Kevin Leyland was our guest speaker this month. Kevin has been skiing for 30 years, and has been an instructor (both skiing & snowboarding) for 20 of those years, most recently at Okemo. He gave a very informative presentation on mountain safety, which included audience participation!

Sunday, Feb. 8th, the *Hartford Courant* ran an article entitled: "A Lift for Skiers", about affordable skiing & membership in the CSC. Our club & lodge are mentioned in the article. If you missed it, go on the website for the *Courant*.

Thanks to all who participated in the Lysobey race this past weekend- I think MSC had its largest turnout ever for this race. See list of participants in this newsletter.

You spoke & we listened when you talked about MSC being a family-friendly club and encouraging families to stay at the lodge. The BOD voted to lower the nightly lodge fee for children 12 years of age and younger to \$10/night, effective Friday February 13th.

Also, we listened to your requests to adjust the thermostat at the lodge so it's a little warmer - done by Bill Jones.

Keep thinking snow so we can all enjoy the skiing/boarding especially during the OnSnow Carnival and our upcoming club race later this month.

Mary J. Sylvestre
President MSC

Ticket Brokers this year are Gene and Sheila Robida. Contact them at erobida@comcast.net if you have extra tickets to sell or if you would like to buy more tickets. They'll connect you to someone to buy/sell but please don't wait until the last minute.

Lift Tickets are still available for Ascutney and Okemo young adult/senior (ages 13-18/65-69). Contact Paula Kelly uniquitous@comcast.com; 860-290-1221

Pats Peak tickets: One midweek non-holiday ticket is available. Contact Mary Sylvestre.

Race News

Many thanks to Don Eberhardt, Lou Gaedt, Neil Nichols and Kathie Eberhardt for their hard work coordinating things before, during and after the Jean-Bloom Lysobey Race. The MSC participated in the annual race with the Grumman and Norwalk Clubs. Special thanks go to Joanne and Doug Nelson for all their help at the post-race party at the Lysobey Residence. John Lysobey, now in his 90's was excited to be able to attend the party and read the names, scores and award recipients with help from his daughter Ellen. Sadly, his wife Chris Lysobey died last summer but we know she was there in spirit.

Here are the results of the Manchester Ski Club participants (handicaps included):

21.56 Jon Hiller
25.96 Julio Guerrero
26.22 Lizzy Guerrero
18.89 Lou Gaedt
21.82 Lou Gaedt, Jr.
20.26 James Ladue
23.85 Bonnie Ierardi
20.80 Joan Youngs
21.40 Parker Ashton-Youngs
27.58 Aimee Whalen
24.06 Al Brunner
20.74 James Westcott
23.10 Neil Nichols
20.02 Peter Casey
24.34 Doug Nelson
45.03 Don Eberhardt

Lou Gaedt, Sr. (MSC First Place)

Peter Casey (MSC 2nd Place)

James Ladue (MSC 3rd Place)

Joan Youngs (Best in age group)

Club Winner: Grumman Club 1st Place, Norwalk 2nd Place and MSC 3rd Place

The **Robert W. Blake Challenge Race** will be Saturday, February 28th.
It will be held on the Nastar Course at 10 a.m. Send your forms in to Don Eberhardt.
Please bring an appetizer to share at the après ski party when prizes will be awarded.

PLEASE USE THE FORM ENCLOSED IN THE NEWSLETTER TO REGISTER

Manchester Ski Club – Race Entry Form

Name _____

Address _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Phone Number (H) _____ (W) _____

Age: ____ Male: ____ Female: ____

Skier: ____ Snowboarder: ____

R.W. Blake Challenge Race

Feb 28, 2009, 10 am

Open to all

Please read and sign (mandatory) the waiver below to participate
in the R.W. Blake Challenge

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 participating in the above race(s), I/We voluntarily assume all the risks involved. By assuming all risks involved, I/We agree to not hold the Manchester Ski Club, its 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/We have read this release in full and understand it, and I/We hereby apply for participation in the selected race(s).

Your Name: _____ Spouse _____

Signature _____ Signature _____

Date _____

Return form to:

Don Eberhardt, P. O. Box 757, Glastonbury, CT 06033-0757

Email: manskiclub@aol.com

Fax: 860-657-4871

More Race News from Lou Gaedt (lgaedt@ct.metrocast.net)

Lou and Paula Kelly are encouraging members to participate in the CSC OnSnow Weekend, March 6 – 8, 2009.

Go to www.skiclub.com for more information.

Lodge News

-Reservations can be made with Loisann Sisson, manchesterskiclub@gmail.com

-The BOD voted to lower the nightly lodge fee for children 12 years of age and younger to \$10/night, effective Friday, February 13th.

-Do you have any table games in good condition you might like to donate to the Lodge?

We'd like to update the selection of games. Email Mjsylvestre@snet.net.

-Reminder to everyone! put your dishes away, turn off the lights and remove your personal belongings at the end of your stay.

Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee, Bob Haas, Kevin Leyland and Jon Orzolek are busy putting together a slate of officers and board members for next year. It will be voted on at the April meeting. If you would like to nominate someone from the floor please consult your nominee first to make sure they are interested in the position and the responsibility.

The **Brattleboro Outing Club** Winter Program is in full gear. Go to www.brattleborooutingclub.org

Ski Discounts: see the complete list on the MSC website; www.manchesterskiclub.org

NEXT MEETING - Monday, March 2, 2009 – 7:30 p.m.

Adrian Genotti, Chief Oenologist will present a program on Beer and Wine.

A brief business meeting will follow.

Location: South United Methodist Church, Manchester - **Upstairs**