



# MANCHESTER SKI CLUB

## July, 2007

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Manchester Ski Club, P.O. Box 1267, Manchester, CT 06045  
Manchester Ski Club Lodge, 4 Pleasant St., Ludlow, VT 05149 (802) 228-2226  
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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### President's Message:

#### Board of Directors (BOD) July Meeting Summary

- **CORRECTION** to the last newsletter: under the June BOD meeting, it should have read: "stay can be **NO** longer than two weeks..." I apologize for the typo.
- The BOD filled one of the empty board positions, appointing Don Eberhardt to serve once again. Welcome back, Don.
- The Affiliate membership form with Brattleboro Outing Club (BOC) was reviewed. MSC added our liability clause re: ski tickets. It will be reviewed by a member (pro-bono attorney) of BOC.
- Replacement of the front door of the lodge was discussed- more information is needed & will be on the agenda next month.
- Members are reminded to notify Donna Wertenbach ([d.wertenbach@cedf.com](mailto:d.wertenbach@cedf.com)) if you have not signed up for a job yet. She can help you select one to meet your needs & the clubs' needs!
- Another member reminder, that personal items cannot be left in the rooms at the lodge from one week to the next- please take things home with you & leave the lodge as you would like to find it. Anyone with items still in lockers should remove them.
- **MEMBERSHIP DRIVE**- is underway & members are reminded to download the membership forms from their email, fill out and mail in with check as soon as possible to Arlene Gazza (P.O. Box 85, East Glastonbury, CT 06025). Remember, if you recruit a new lodge member you will receive a free weekend at the lodge!
- **LOCKERS**- there are 12 lockers for rent at the lodge for the winter season (Oct. thru April). They are located on the second floor, between the barn entrance and the ladies room. Each of the lockers measures approximately 43" wide x 21" high x 27" deep. The rental is \$25 for the season. If you are interested in renting one for the upcoming ski season, to leave sleeping bags & pillows for example, then send a separate check for \$25, payable to MSC to Arlene Gazza (address above). At the September BOD meeting, lockers will be assigned by lottery- i.e. the board will pull names (checks) out of a hat and assign that name to a locker number. This will ensure that any members who are interested in a locker will have an equal opportunity to have one.

Mary J. Sylvestre  
President MSC

## **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.

## **Work Weekend at the Lodge:**

Thanks to the following members who attended the work weekend June 2-3: Byron Smith, Mark Worbel, Sandra Thorne, Mark Reitsma, Loisann and Spencer Sisson, Bill Jones, Nancy McGrath, Cal Folmsbee, Anne Knight, Jon Hiller, Margaret Kehoe and Frank Stadmeyer.

- Installed a R13 board to block off the area under the barn stairs
- Cleaned the Kitchen and remove lots of unused items, pots, pans, dishes
- Installed flashing at the bottom of the fire escape door from the barn, the wood was rotten
- Painted the barn trim as much as we could, it rained on Sunday, still more red to paint and a little trim.
- Installed new blinds and valances on bedroom windows
- Washed most windows
- Opened the two basement windows and the access panel under the barn so they will vent all summer
- Painted the two windows white to match the trim
- Mowed grass and put down roundup where needed
- Tighten up leak on men's urinal
- Added plywood under the some of the cushions in the living, big improvement

### **HELP NEEDED!**

**Regarding the Picnic:** The club has not had a response from any of the members to host the summer picnic in August, so, for now, the summer picnic is postponed. **Would anyone in the club be interested in hosting an end of summer picnic in September?**

**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

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

**Loisann Sisson will be handling reservations for the summer and fall. Contact her at 860-870-7471 or via email at [j.sisson@snet.net](mailto:j.sisson@snet.net).** This will commence on May 1, 2007 and continue through Oct. 31, 2007.

**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 P.O. Box 85 East Glastonbury, Ct. 06025

*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: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature (spouse): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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 Summer Activities:**

Keep in shape this summer by joining the Wednesday afternoon bike rides at Pig Iron Sports on Main Street in Glastonbury. Every Wednesday afternoon, weather permitting. Pig Iron has group rides for bikers of all levels.

The riders are grouped by ability and leave at 5:30 pm, so it is good to arrive at least 15 minutes early. Also, remember that MSC members get a 10% discount on goods and services at Pig Iron - just show your membership card.

## **CSC News and Events:**

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

### **Explanation of Responsibilities by Committee**

As a result of the surveys in the spring and summer and in an effort to increase the involvement of club members, it was decided to develop a “Committee Structure”. This new effort requests that all adult members volunteer for one task during the year. It is estimated that each task represents approximately 5 to 7 hours throughout the year. If the task requires more time, free night vouchers at the lodge have been offered to compensate for your generosity. The numbers to the right represent the night vouchers offered for those tasks that are estimated to take more time. The Chairs are responsible for the oversight of their group. It is the hope that people will have an opportunity to maybe work together or get to know new members that they might not have otherwise met if it were not for this new opportunity.

As the 2007-2008 year is the first full year of having this new system in place, the Board decided to start with a clean slate, giving everyone an opportunity to try a new job, should they so choose. Thus, no one was automatically signed up for any job. This was announced and the chart was available at the last two club meetings. For those of you have already signed up for a job, new or old, thank you. If you have not, the chart is attached so that you can see what vacancies are remaining. If you would like to sign up for a job, please contact Donna Wertenbach at [d.wertenbach@cedf.com](mailto:d.wertenbach@cedf.com).

Again thank you to everyone for helping to promote the club.

**Responsibilities by Committee**

**Finance Committee**

**Board Contact/Coordinator- Gary Warzocha**

Chair- Treasurer	Gary Warzocha	8
Contract management	Frank Salamon	2
Audit	Charlie Lyons	
Tax return	_____	
Voucher person	Leigh Nelson	
Locker oversight	Leigh Nelson	

**CSC Committee**

**Board Contact/Coordinator-Leigh Nelson**

Chair		2
Representatives		4
	Drew Kronk	4
	_____	4
	_____	4
CSC Programs		
CSC Races		
Coordinator for Snowball	Jeff Peck and Sue Annulli	

**Club Race Committee**

**Board Contact/Coordinator- Paul Marchinetti**

Chair	Preston Maynard	2
Support Person	Jon Hiller	
	_____	
Trophy Person	Paul Marchinetti	

**Work Assignment and Nominating Committee**

**Board Contact/Coordinator- Donna Wertenbach**

Chair	_____
Members	_____
	_____
	_____
	_____

### Membership Committee

#### Board Contact/Coordinator- Arlene Gazza

Chair	Arlene Gazza	8
Roster/database	_____	
Membership book/cards	Melinda Brown	
Surveys	_____	
New Member Meetings	_____	
Recruitment Team	Dave England	
	_____	
	_____	
	_____	
Follow up on dropped Members	Sue Mears Louise Caudullo	

### Reservations Committee

#### Board Contact/Coordinator-Lois Ann Sisson

Chair	_____	
Winter reservations	_____	8
Summer reservations	Lois Sisson	
Room assignments	lodge manager	
Attendance and money handling	Mark Worobel	2
Back up person	_____	

### Ticket Committee

#### Board Contact/Coordinator- Brian Beal

Chair	Jon and Mary Ann Orzolek	8
Okemo Tickets	_____	8
Other Mountains	Phil and Paula Kelly	8
Discount Programs/stores-CT/VT	_____	
Mountain Privileges	_____	
Ticket Exchange	_____	

## Communications Committee

### Board Contact/Coordinator- Al Brunner

Chair + newsletter	Deb Celani	6
Website	Bernadette Nelson	1
	Rich Choma	1
Handbook	Nancy McGrath	
Video of lodge		
Snail mail of newsletter	_____	
	Kathie Eberhardt	

## Program Committee

### Board Contact/Coordinator- Nancy Fletcher

Chair	_____	2
Holiday Party	Dave England	
	Pat Folmsbee	
	Carol Mitchell	
	Russ Mitchell	
Kitchen, set up, clean up, and	_____	
Prizes and raffle	_____	
	_____	

### Monthly meetings

Refreshments	Susan Annulli	
Raffle	Nancy Fletcher	
Raffle- donations	Sheila Klapatch	
Programs	_____	
	_____	
Thank you notes	_____	
Outings	_____	2

### Saturday night dinners

Line up cooks	Sandi Thorne
Stats on dinners/costs	
Reservations + \$ handling	Mark Worobel

**Lodge Committee**

**Board Contact/Coordinator – Bill Jones**

Chair	Byron Smith	8*
Monthly inventory/purchase of supplies	_____	2
Spring/fall housecleaning	Kevin Leyland	
Members	Cal Folmsbee	
	Jon Hiller	
	_____	
	_____	
	_____	

\*there are 10 additional nights available to be distributed by the Chair

**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)

**Who Knew?**

Ludlow will host the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual VT State Zucchini Festival

August 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, 2007