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* * * MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME * * *

October is the month to renew your GE Ski Club membership. Cost is only \$10, with an additional \$5 if you prefer to have the monthly newsletter mailed to you. A membership form is enclosed with this newsletter. Forms are also available on-line at the club's website or at the General Meetings, beginning in October.



Indian Lake Islands Kayak Trip Saturday, Sept 11th

We'll Kayak on Indian Lake From the State Boat Launch to one or many Islands and find some Sunny Spot for our Picnic Lunch, as well! There are some Sandy Beaches and a great View of Snowy Mtn From the Lake. Take Rte 365 & Rte 8 North to Speculator, then Rte 30 North to the Indian Lake Islands Campground. Meet 8:45AM at the HSBC Bank In Barneveld. Drive time is about 1 ½ Hrs. Call Ron Geiskopf at 732-5926 or Chuck Balsler at 797-3069.

"Falling Leaves" Excursion-Sunday, October 17th

Let's carpool to the Finger Lakes area, Cayuga Lake to be exact, and enjoy a day of hiking, picnicing, and maybe a "little bit" of wining!! We will meet at the Westmoreland Thruway exit at 8:15 and travel to Exit 41, get on Rt. 318 to Rt. 89 (south) and follow Cayuga Lake to Taughannock Falls State Park (approx. 2 hrs.) We can hike to the falls and find a right nice place to picnic. Upon leaving the State Park we will venture back the way we came but stop for some liquid refreshment at a couple of wineries along the way. Because it is one of their busiest seasons and most wineries require an appointment for 10 or more people, PLEASE contact me right away to let me know if you plan on participating in this adventure. (With me leading, it could be!!!) We will leave to continue home around 4/4:30 and be back around 6/6:30. When you contact me, I can let you know about any fees (state park and wine tasting). Pat O'Hara 853-6728 or 525-7288 or e-mail me at prettypatoh@yahoo.com.

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General membership meeting

Are held at the American Legion Post # 1113 in Whitesboro at 7:30 P.M. Meetings are Usually the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month from Oct. to April. Guests are always welcome.

HAPPY HOURS:

(Begin after work, although, many arrive after 6)

Aug 27th, the COVE Rt. 46 Delta Dam
Sept. 10th, Marble Hill Inn, Rte 5
Sept. 17th, Pack's Pub, Washington Mills
Oct 1st, Hotel Moore, Barneveld
Oct 15th, Joel's Steakhouse, Vernon
Oct 29th, Stiefvaters, Varick St. Utica

!!! MARK YOUR CALENDAR !!!

Sept. 11th, Kayaking Indian Lake
Sept. 18th, Hiking Blue Mt.
Sept. 19th, Golf Outing Oriskany Hills G.C.
Sept. 27th, Camping Weekend Golden Beach
Oct. 3rd, Cascade Lake Hike
Oct. 9th, Highway Clean up, Rt. 12B near Zebb's
Oct. 23rd, Syracuse Ski Show, Labrador Mt.

NOTES FROM THE PREZ:

Although the weather put a damper on many activities this past month, I heard the clam bake/ beach party went well and I know some members got in some golfing, biking, and kayaking. So as the weatherman Rich Lupia would say, it wasn't a total washout!! Here's to a drier September as there are hikes, bike rides, kayak trips, and golf planned. Don't forget to start signing up for the Sept. 24th, - 26th, Lake Placid hiking weekend and the Oriskany Hills Golf Outing Sept. 19th. Thank you to all members who responded to the e-mail regarding a change in the location on our general meetings. Board members met Aug. 16th, at the 40&8 and also looked at the Elks Club on Champlain Ave. At this time the 40&8 would not accommodate our size meetings. We are still considering the Elks Club. FYI: Our board meetings are changing to the 4th, Tuesday of the month and we are busy planning/scheduling Fall and Winter events at these meetings. If you have any ideas, please sent them along. Last but not least, it's time to start thinking about membership renewal and don't forget general meetings begin Oct. 5th. Until then, Ski you later!!!

Pat OH

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION / APPLICATION:

CALL OUR MEMBERSHIP CHAIRS:
HEATHER MARTIN (337-2818) or
CATHY DESTITO (334-9372)
ACTIVITIES OPEN TO ALL 21 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.

CHECK OUT THE CLUB WEB PAGE

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Piseco Lake Kayak Outing

The day was one of the best days we have had this summer, partly sunny with a mild wisp of fresh pine in the air. The water was as smooth as a baby's butt a great day to be out KAYAKING. The people who went kayaking got to enjoy the sights and sounds of our great Adirondack Park. The Loons echoing call, the fragrance of hundreds of fully bloomed water lilies, wow what a day.



Highway clean up

Once again it is time to help keep our section of Rte 12 B free from unsightly litter. We will meet at Zebb's parking lot at **8:30 am** on **Saturday, October 9th**. Afterwards we can go to Dunkin Doughnuts for a little refreshment.

Cascade Lake Hike

Cascade Lake Hike-**Sunday 10/3** (5.4 mile loop, easy) Just off of Big Moose Rd. in Eagle Bay. An old road leads into this scenic lake, which has a beautiful narrow waterfall on the inlet stream at its eastern end. As you walk around the lake, you'll pass a clearing on the north shore that was the site of a girls' summer camp in the 1940s. A logging operation was located near the outlet. Meet at 11:30 AM, at the HSBC bank, Mapledale Plaza, Route 12 Barneveld. Info call Ed Campbell 336-3510. We'll go out for dinner afterwards.



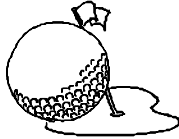
Hadley Mountain Hike

Oct 24 -(3.6 miles RT) The view from the restored fire tower provides one of the finest panoramas in the southern Adirondacks. Located north of the Great Sacandaga Lake near the town of Hadley in Warren County. Meet at 9:00 AM in the North Utica Shopping Center near the HSBC bank. Info call Ed Campbell 336-3510.

Directions to the Marble Hill Inn :
From Utica take Rt. 5 to Sherrill. At the gingerbread house (Retsinger rd.)
turn left go to the end of the road and the Inn is on your left

FALL GOLF OUTING

Location: Oriskany Hills Golf Course
Rte 69, Oriskany
Sunday September 19th



12 Noon



Join in the Fun with
In The GE Ski club's Golf Tournament

Start Practicing Now!

Scramble/ Best Ball Format

Cost: \$30 Includes Green Fees

With Gas Cart, Dinner – Chicken Breast
Sandwich, Potato And Tossed Salads,
Hamburgs, Chicken Riggies

Send in your reservation now with payment made out to GE ski club, inc
To: Tom O'Hara 1615 Sunset Ave, Utica NY 13502. Call Tom @ 525-1858 or Linda @
733-4554 for more info.

NAME _____ ADDRESS: _____

PHONE # - _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

1. Participants are completely and individually responsible for their own actions on all trips and activities and bear the burden of liabilities thereof.
2. Participants by signing this agreement, agree to hold 'The Club' harmless and waive all right of regress for any injuries sustained, and for any other liability whatsoever that may arise during the course of the trip.
3. This policy applies to all trips without exception and to other Club activities at the discretion of the activity leader and the Board of Directors. **I have read the G.E. Ski Club Inc. trip policy. I understand and agree to abide by them fully.**

Signed: _____ Date: _____



Trip Inclusions:

- ❖ Round trip airfare between Albany and Boise
- ❖ Ground transportation from airport to lodging and return
- ❖ Driver tip
- ❖ 7 nights lodging at Christophe condominiums
- ❖ 5 of 6 day lift tickets for all lifts at Sun Valley Resort
- ❖ Wine & Cheese welcome reception
- ❖ All taxes and gratuities

Price per person: \$1250

This trip is for downhill and XC skiers.

Deduct \$165 for XC; pay fee for trails as you go

We will be bused from New Hartford Shopping Center, New Hartford, NY on the morning of Feb. 12 to the Albany airport for 2:17 PM United flight. time TBA later.

Staying at the Christophe Condominium Hotel, 3 blocks to lifts, free shuttle. The Christophe offers 2 bedroom condos, private bath for every 2 people, one with 2-person jetted tub, choice of king or twin beds, gas log or wood burning fireplace, wood provided daily, fully equipped kitchen, dining, sofa sleeper, color-cable TV plus VCR & tapes to loan, guest voice mail. The only all-season outdoor pool outside Sun Valley Village with adjacent hot tub.

Payment schedule: \$400 by Oct. 19, \$420 by Nov. 9,
\$430 (final) by Dec. 7

Along with trip form and membership form for new members. These can be obtained on our website – www.geskiclub.org

Send first payment any time (good idea to reserve your spot early) to GE Ski Club, Trips, PO Box 327, New Hartford, NY 13413.

Any questions, please contact me, Marci Green, 737-8936 or marci99@msn.com.

BLUE MT. HIKE - SEPTEMBER 18, 2004

Get in shape for the Lake Placid/High Peaks weekend with a hike up Blue Mt. This popular trail climbs 1550 ft. in elevation with moderate to steep grades, ending at a fire tower. Good views are possible from the flat-topped summit. A trail guide describing 14 interpretive stops is available at the trailhead. Meet at 9:00 AM at the HSBC bank parking lot in

Mapledale on Route 12. Info call Ed Campbell at 336-3510.



LAKE PLACID /HIGH PEAKS WEEKEND

HIKE IN THE HIGH PEAKS OF THE ADIRONDACKS NEAR LAKE PLACID WHERE YOU'LL FIND MANY FINE RESTAURANTS, SHOPS, THE OLYMPIC SKI JUMPS, MT VAN HOEVENBERG AND MORE.

WE'RE STAYING AT THE JACK RABBIT INN ABOUT 2 MILES FROM THE SKI JUMPS ON RTE 73 NEAR LAKE PLACID ON FRIDAY, SEPT 24TH THRU SUNDAY, SEPT 26TH. THE INN HAS A LARGE KITCHEN AND MANY BUNK BEDS! THE COST FOR THE WEEKEND IS \$60 WHICH INCLUDES 2 BREAKFASTS AND LUNCH FOOD.

**SEND PAYMENTS ALONG WITH A TRIP APPLICATION TO:
GE/ LAKE PLACID WEEKEND, PO BOX 327, NEW HARTFORD NY 13413.**

DEADLINE DATE IS 9/8.

INFO CALL ED CAMPBELL 336-3510 OR VISIT THE JACK RABBIT INN WEBSITE at <http://www.jackrabbitinn.com>

NAME _____ ADDRESS: _____

CAR MAKE _____ LICENSE PLATE # - _____

PHONE # - _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

Room mates: _____, _____, _____ >>

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SIGNED : _____ DATE: _____

Syracuse Ski Sale Festival at Labrador

When: Saturday, October 23, 2004 10am – 7 pm
Sunday, October 24, 2004 9 am – 2 pm

Where: Labrador Mountain Main Lodge, Truxton, NY

Admission: Free **Parking:** Free

The Sale Features:

- Huge inventory of equipment
- New and used downhill/cross-country/boarding equipment and clothing
- Exhibitors include local and out of town ski shops,
- Information on lessons, ski safety, ski trips
- Fun activities, chair lift rides and entertainment throughout the sale

You can recycle clothing and equipment you've outgrown. We're especially looking for x-country equipment, kids' equipment and clothing, snowboards, snowshoes and adult clothing. We will sell it for you! We accept current serviceable equipment only!

Registration To Be Announced.

For more information, write P.O. Box 328, Jamesville, New York 13078

Or call: Sallie (315) 492-1125, or e-mail: salliemae@earthlink.net

Marvin (315) 652-0430, or e-mail: mpatnode@earthlink.net



Raquette Lake Luncheon Cruise – July 24th

A total of 27 enthusiastic persons (15 Tramp & Trail Club, and 12 GE Ski Club) lined up at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, July 24th to board, with other passengers, the *W. W. Durant* to cruise Raquette Lake on what turned out to be a windy, but glorious day. The scenery from our vantage point was enjoyable as we spotted some interesting islands and historic landmarks along the shoreline, all expertly narrated by our captain. Many “Kodak moments” were there for the asking. The summons to dine sounded at about 12 noon, and we descended to the lower, enclosed cabin to partake of a delicious, gourmet-type buffet luncheon, all the while continuing our conversations and enjoying the passing scenery. Promptly at 1:00 p.m. we disembarked. Most of us took off for other nearby environs – some back to the Raquette Lake General Store (unique in its wares); some to the Adirondack Mountain Museum in Blue Mt. Lake (how was it Bob?); some to tour Great Camp Sagamore and others (like us), to climb Rocky Mountain for a spectacular view of Inlet at Fourth Lake and other lakes of the Fulton Chain. Great day? You bet! Thanks to Carol Dippolitto of Tramp & Trail for organizing this event, and graciously including our GE members.

Sunday, October 24th-You have a choice!! Hike or Bike

Join our own Pat Malin and the Tramp and Trail club to bike the Talcottsville/Constable area or join Ed Campbell and hike Hadley Mt. Call Ed at 336-3510 for details about the hike. Contact Pat at 735-2925 for more details about biking.

Sunday, October 31st

It may be Halloween, but Don't be afraid to try this bike ride. It will be around the Utica, Oriskany area. Details in the next newsletter. Pat O'Hara

September

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
			1	2	3 Holiday	4 Weekend
5	6 Golf Hamilton College 5 PM	7	8 GOLF Driving range & Minigolf 6pm Marcy Driving range	9	10 Marblehill Inn See Article pg 4	11 Kayak Indian Lake with Tramp n Trail
12	13 GOLF	14	15	16	17 Packy's Pub Washington Mills	18 Hike Blue Mt.
19 Golf Outing @ Oriskany Hills	20 GOLF	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 GOLF	28 Board Meeting 6 PM	29	30		

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October

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
					1 social Hour Hotel Moore Barneveld	2
3	4	5 General Membership Meeting 7:30 PM Am. Legion Post 1113 Whitesboro	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15 Joel's Steakhouse Vernon	16
17 Falling Leaves Excursion 8:15 AM	18	19 General Membership Meeting	20	21	22	23
24 Hadley Mt. Hike 9AM meet at North Utica s.c.	24 option Or Bike Talcottsville / Constable Area	26 Board Meeting 6 PM Am Legion 1113	27	28	29 Stiefvaters Grill Varick St. Utica	30
31 Happy Halloween						

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Driving Range & Mini Golf

Wed. Sept. 8th, at 6:00 PM

Marcy Driving Range Rt. 49 , Marcy

Open to anyone, hit a bucket of balls.

Hints will be given to anyone rookie

contact Tom O'Hara at 525.1858 after 5 pm

FOR SALE

Nearly new –long sleeve GE Tee shirts just in time for our NEW YORK summer.

Limited time offer at these low prices. Just \$ 15.00

2 Small navy blue, 1 small white, 1 med. White, 2 x-large lake blue.

Call Russ @ 725-5555

INTERCLUB COUNCIL NEWS

Events and ski trips sponsored by Clubs in Central New York State.

On September 28th, John Corcran from the Albany area ski clubs will address our board members as to the trips offered by being in the Capital District Ski Council