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GE SKI CLUB NEWSLETTER

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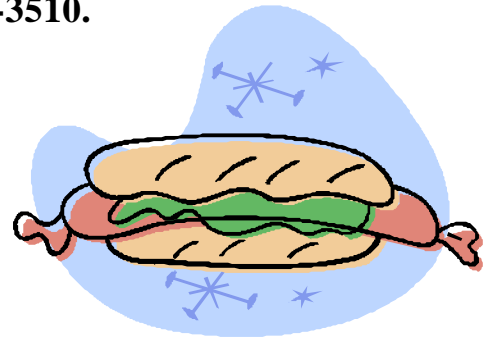
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Spring Picnic at Royal Mt.

Join us for our Annual Spring Picnic to be held by the lodge at Royal Mt. in Caroga Lake, NY. It will be on March 19th, around 12:00 PM. We will set up a grill for everyone to use. Cost for Beverages is \$4.00. Lift tickets are 2 for \$28. Meet at the North Utica Shopping Ctr at 7:30 AM, in front of Bank of America. Directions-take thruway exit 29 at Canajoharie, then Rt. 10 north for 15 miles. Info call Ed Campbell-336-3510.

Food Night



March 1st meeting will feature an Ethnic food Night.

Bring in your favorite Ethnic dish to Share.

Beside good food we are also getting another treat. The club's own

Chris Anderson will be our guest speaker. As some of you know

Chris is quite the adventurer. Last year he Climbed Mt.

Kilimanjaro, which borders Kenya and Tanzania in Africa. The Mountain is 19,340 ft. high. He also has skied in the Andes in Chile.

(summer here, but winter in Chile.)

Western ski trippers--Bring in your pictures of the Sun Valley Trip.

BOARD OFFICERS FOR 2004-2005

| | | |
|--|------------------|----------|
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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)

March 11th - Killebrew , New Hartford
March 17th, Shamrock Bar Varick St. Utica
April 1st, Carmella's Grill New Hartford
April 15th, UNO'S Grill New Hartford

!!! MARK YOUR CALENDAR !!!

Mar. 5th, XC around Lake Delta with Deidre
Mar. 12th, XC Miller's Mile with Mary & Bernie
Mar 13th, Bristol Mt.
Mar. 19th, Spring Picnic Royal Mt.
Mar. 26th, XC ski Franz's Turin Ny
April 5th, Election of Officers
April 30th, SPRING BANQUET Trackside Rest.

NOTES FROM THE PREZ :

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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www.geskiclub.org

FOR CLUB ACTIVITIES AND PICTURES.

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(Added to) DEALS----- DEALS -----DEALS

As members of the **GE SKI CLUB** you are getting some great deals on lift tickets.

For example Did you know that you can get \$ 7.00 off your lift ticket at **Snow Ridge** and **Song Mountain** just by showing them your membership card at time of purchase. Also at **Belleayre** any day you get \$ 10 off. At **Royal Mountain** you can get 2 for 1 by showing them your membership card. **Snow Ridge** is hosting **FREAKOUT** Fridays \$ 5.00 from 3 PM to 9 PM. on the following dates. Feb. 11th, and Mar. 11th. Plus Family Sundays \$ 60. on Feb. 13th, & Mar. 6th, There are many more deals to numerous to list here but if you go to our **web site** and **click on deals** there is a huge list. So make sure to show or ask for deals for club members don't miss out **Renew your membership today** if you haven't done so yet.

www.geskiclub.org

Capitol District Ski Council Days. (Expanded list)

Show your GE membership card with a picture ID to get CDSC pricing for the following Council Ski Days.

Sun 3/6/05 West Mt. tba

Wed 3/9/05 Gore \$ 31

Fri 3/11/05 Stratton \$ 30

Fri 3/18/05 Okemo \$ 28

Wed 3/30/05 Gore \$ 31

Fri 4/1/05 Killington \$ 30 Snowshed lodge-resort center

Fri 4/1/05 Whiteface \$ 25

Fri 4/01/05 Bromley \$ 15

Fri 4/15/05 Killington \$ 20



Come Dance the Night Away

Contra Dance Friday, April 29th

Dinner is at 6PM. Dance begins at 8PM.

Pot luck Dinner and Contra Dance

Located at Unity Hall , Barneveld on VanderKamp Ave.

A Contra Dance is a called step that features a caller and a live

Band. No Partners Needed. Bring a dish to pass.

Cost is \$10 to cover the band, caller and Hall Rent.

Call Janet at 865-8559 for more info. Deadline for sign ups is April 13th

Send checks, payable to The Tramp N Trail Club

To: Janet Morgan, 7040 Glass Factory Rd, Holland Patent NY 13354

XC Corner Updates

Mar. 5—Lake Delta Deidra and Ivan will be heading up a day around Lake Delta for us. This a Snow Shoe day but Cross Country skiers are welcome. Mostly flat terrain. Please meet at Lake Delta parking area around 11 AM.

Call Deidra at 826-3047 if you have a question or in case of cancellation.

Pray for Snow

Mar. 12 – Miller’s Mile. Meet at 11 AM. Ski or hike **Egypt Road** trails with Bernie and Mary Miller. Good skiing area with warming hut. The Millers will host us later at their home on Countryman Road in Remsen. Please bring a **dish to pass**. Limited to the first 20.

Wayne Franz will put on a cross-country ski/snowshoe hike on Saturday, March 26 (the day before Easter) and combine it with a cookout, including a chili challenge and a bonfire. I guess his location is near Carpenter Road, Turin (need to confirm).

This is tentative, of course, and a time to be determined

Stay tuned for additional options. For further information, contact Pat Malin, XC chair, at 735-2925 or writeon7@juno.com.

Upcoming Alpine trips

Saturday Mar. 13th, Bristol Mt.

Saturday Mar. 19th, Royal Mt.



Spring Banquet

Virna is frantically working on our Spring Banquet as I print this out. So far this is How it is shaking out.

April 30th. At the trackside Restaurant \$ 27.00

Dinner, Dancing, Music and fun fun fun. (Hint on the fun) any John Travolta’s in our club?

See next newsletter for more information.



Paddling School

Guided Kayak Trips

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(315) 335-1681
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info@adirondackexposure.com
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Scott Locorini, owner and founder of Adirondack Exposure, has been in the paddling and outdoor recreation business now for 13 years. He worked for eight years at the Nantahala Outdoor Center (NOC) in North Carolina, where he was a photoboater, a raft guide, a whitewater instructor in both kayak and canoe, retail manager, and trip leader. After NOC Scott managed the instruction program at the New England Outdoor Center in Maine, and then was the instruction and trips manager at Mountainman Outdoors (NY).

A native upstate New Yorker, Scott grew up in and around the Adirondack Mountains. Scott's the quintessential outdoorsman – on any given day you can almost always find him outdoors doing one activity or another, whether it's mountain biking, raft guiding, fly fishing, canoeing, whitewater paddling, rock climbing, snow-shoeing, or cross country skiing.

Scott has paddled and guided all over the world, from the eastern US to Mexico, Chile, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Switzerland, and Italy. Scott is an ACA-certified instructor in both whitewater and open water kayak, and is also a licensed Maine and New York State Guide. He is constantly updating his certifications in the ACA (American Canoe Association), attending symposiums, and is called upon to teach with other instructors along the eastern US coast.

Sun Valley Idaho Ski Week Trip:

We've just completed another GE Ski Club annual western ski trip. How was it? Before we get to the details, many thanks to Marci Green for the great job setting up and running the trip. Thanks Marci.

So, just where is Sun Valley? In the middle of nowhere. How long does it take to get to Sun Valley? About 20 hours. After a very long travel day, airport check in, flight delays, and bus rides we arrived at the Christophe Condo's very tired. After some very quick grocery shopping we had to get some sleep. The mountain was waiting for us the next morning. We couldn't see it. Some light snow and clouds made the day "interesting" with visibility limited and a few inches of powder. Valentines Day Monday brought bright sunshine and an engagement. Congratulations to Mike and Linda. Now what are you going to do with those free airline tickets? The rest of the week was sunny and warm with afternoon temps in the high 20's, bright blue skies and nicely groomed runs. Perfect days for Kodak Moments. The on mountain lodges and food were superb, as were the restaurants in town. Check the web site for some photographs of the trip.

Some comments heard over the week included:

Is that a green circle? Lunch at Seattle Ridge. Are we allowed in here with ski boots on?

Is this a hotel? What condo are we in? I can't believe I spilled red wine on a white carpet.

Buffalo Burger. What happened to Ernie at the Bruce Willis show? Warm Springs.

Picabo's Street. I have my AARP card. Wow! this on mountain food is great.

Are we doing College? I can't peel my lift ticket. Nice welcome party. River Run Lodge.

I thought falls only happened on the mountain. 9AM bus or do we walk. Where is dinner tonight?

That was a blue square? All the black diamonds. The Roosevelt Grill. Where is my ID?

They have an 8:30AM bus. Firm Bumps. The Sawtooth Club. Arnold's Run

No one is on that run. Let's do it. Ugly Rocks Dollar Mountain / Woods Valley.

How heavy was that car? Maureen's Market. First Class! They are holding the plane!

Overbooked? Where were you during the power failure? Have you ever used a cell phone as a flashlight? Pioneer Saloon. Main Strip Tees ski club discount?

I need a massage !!!!

G.E. SKI CLUB INC.



2004-2005 TRIP APPLICATION

1. You must completely fill out all parts of the application that apply for this trip.
2. You must submit complete application with all deposits to confirm your reservation.
3. **All applicants must be current members of the G.E. SKI CLUB INC.** ('The Club')
4. All deposits / payments **MUST** be in by dates published for each event.
5. All reservations are on a first come, first served basis, either at a regular meeting or by postmark.
6. Make all checks payable to **G.E. Ski Club Inc.** Any check returned for lack of funds will have a \$15.00 charge added.
7. It is up to each person to list roommates for the trip. If roommates are not listed or do not sign-up, we will assign roommates.

CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY

1. 'The Club' reserves the right to cancel any trip at any time. In that event, 'The Club' will make every effort to recover as much of each person's money as is possible and refund in accordance with #2, #3, #4, & #5 below.
2. Any participant cancellation prior to 'The Club' established deposit date (1st payment date) is refundable.
3. Each participant is responsible for expenses incurred by 'The Club' on their behalf after the deposit date.
4. Participants acknowledge that failure to make timely payments may result in loss of moneys paid on an individual trip basis.
5. Any refunds due after the deposit date will be declared within thirty days and paid within sixty days of trip completion or trip cancellation.
6. Participants are completely and individually responsible for their own actions on all trips and activities and bear the burden of liabilities thereof.
7. 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.
8. 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 it fully.**

Signed: _____ **DATE:** _____ **MEMBERSHIP #** _____

TRIP: _____ **ROOMMATES:** _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE (HOME): _____ **PHONE (WORK):** _____

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| Room Request: <input type="checkbox"/> Double <input type="checkbox"/> Quad <input type="checkbox"/> Triple | Ski Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Down Hill <input type="checkbox"/> Cross Country | In Emergency, contact: Relationship: _____ Phone: ____/____ |
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| PAY # | CHECK # | AMOUNT | DATE | TAKEN BY | COMMENTS |
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CANCELLED: _____ **DATE:** _____

BOARD MEMBER NOMINATIONS

ELECTION OF CLUB OFFICERS WILL BE HELD ON APRIL 5th. WE ARE LOOKING FOR MEMBERS TO SERVE ON OUR BOARD. BELOW IS A LIST OF BOARD POSITIONS. NOMINATION FORMS WILL BE AVAILABLE IN FEBRUARY. YOU MAY NOMINATE ANYONE INCLUDING YOURSELF FOR ANY POSITION. NOMINATIONS WILL BE DUE IN MARCH.

THREE VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR THE ELECTION COMMITTEE. YOU WILL HAVE TO HELP CONTACT THE NOMINEES TO SEE IF THEY WANT TO BE ON THE BALLOT AND ALSO TO COUNT THE BALLOTS ON ELECTION NIGHT. IF INTERESTED, CONTACT ANY BOARD MEMBER.

BOARD MEMBER JOB DESCRIPTIONS

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| PRESIDENT | Preside At All General Meetings And Board Meetings. Coordinate And Oversee All Ski Club Activities And Functions. Work Closely With All Directors. Promote The Club In The Ski Community. |
| VICE- PRESIDENT | Assume Duties Of President In The Event Of The President's Absence. Notify Board Members Of Board Meetings. Chair Nomination Committee. Coordinate Spring/Summer Events. Assist In Planning And Running Meetings. |
| TREASURER | Responsible For Managing All Funds Of The Club. Keep Full And Accurate Account Of All Receipts And Expenditures Of All Events. Responsible For Deposits And Reconciliation Of Club's Checkbook. |
| SECRETARY | Keep Minutes Of All Meetings. Take Care Of Any Other Correspondence. |
| NEWSLETTER | Revise And Type Information Received From President And Chairpersons For Newsletter. Responsible For Printing, Collating, And Correct Bulk Mailing Of Newsletter. |
| TRIPS | To Plan, Organize, Take Sign Ups, And Be Responsible Of All Details Dealing With Bus Companies, Resort And Ski Area For Day And Weekend Ski Trips. Work With Alpine And Cross- Country Chairpersons. Assist In Advising Non-Ski Related Trips. |
| ALPINE | To Promote Alpine Skiing And Ski Areas Of NY State And Surrounding Areas. Set Up Ski Lesson Programs. Work Closely With Trip Chairperson(S) On Trip Selection And Planning. Promote Club With Local Ski Shops. Work With NESCA And Other Ski Clubs In Utica/Rome Area. |
| CROSS-COUNTRY | To Promote X-C Skiing And The Ski Areas Of NY State And Surrounding Areas. Set Up Lesson Program If Interest Warrants. Work Closely With Trip-Chairperson(S) On Bus Trips. Set Up Car-Pool Ski Trips. Promote Club With Local Ski ;Shops. Chair Committee Of X-C Helpers. |
| PUBLICITY | To Send Public Announcements To Local Media To Publicize The Club And It's Meetings. Keep Club Informed Of Community Affairs. |
| SOCIAL | To Plan The Club's Major Social Events And Gatherings. Work With Board To Assist With Special Projects. Assist In Planning And Entertainment At General Meetings. |
| MEMBERSHIP | Take Membership Applications At Meetings. Compile Membership Information For Newsletter Chairperons(S). Work Closely With Board And Newsletter Chairperson(S). |
| SALES | Responsible For All Of Ski Club's Promotional Merchandise Like Hats,T-Shirts,Etc. Assist In Fund-Raising Events. |
| SARGEANT AT-ARMS | Responsible For Greeting Members And Collecting Monies At General Meetings. Assist The Treasurer. |

NOMINATIONS FOR 2005-2006 SKI CLUB OFFICERS

All nominations must be in the Club's P O Box by MARCH 1st,

ATTN: NOMINATIONS

GE SKI CLUB

PO BOX 327

NEW HARTFORD NY 13413

ALL Nominees Must Be Current Members Of The G E Ski Club, Inc

**All Nominees Will Be Contacted Before Their Name
Is Placed On The Election Ballot**

**CHAIRPERSON
POSITION**

PRESIDENT _____

VICE PRESIDENT _____

TREASURER _____

TRIPS _____

MEMBERSHIP _____

SOCIAL _____

NEWSLETTER _____

CROSS-COUNTRY _____

PUBLICITY _____

ALPINE _____

SALES _____

SECRETARY _____

SARGENT AT ARMS _____

**See More Information About Each Position's Responsibilities On The Adjacent Page Or
Call Maureen Williams 732-3690**

March

| <i>Sun</i> | <i>Mon</i> | <i>Tue</i> | <i>Wed</i> | <i>Thu</i> | <i>Fri</i> | <i>Sat</i> |
|--|------------|--|---|------------|--|--|
| | | 1 GM Meeting 7:30 Am Legion Whitesboro Special Speaker | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 Council days at Gore \$ 31 | 10 | 11 Social Hour Killabrew New Hartford | 12 |
| 13 Alpine Ski trip to Bristol Mt. | 14 | 15 GM Meeting 7:30 Whitesboro Wine tasting | 16 | 17 | 18 Council days at Okemo \$28 cheap | 19 Royal Mt. Spring Picnic 12:00 |
| 20 | 21 | 22 Board Meeting @ 6 PM Gander Mt. | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 XC ski Carpenter Rd. Turin NY |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 Council days at Gore \$ 31 | 31 | | |
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April

| <i>Sun</i> | <i>Mon</i> | <i>Tue</i> | <i>Wed</i> | <i>Thu</i> | <i>Fri</i> | <i>Sat</i> |
|------------|------------|---|---|------------|---|--|
| | | | | | 1 Social Hour Carmella's N.H. council days @ whiteface \$25 | 2 |
| 3 | 4 | 5 General Membership Meeting 7:30 Am Legion Whitesboro ----- | -----Continued Guest Speaker Scott Locorini Kayaking | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 Social Hr. Uno's Grill N.H. council days @killington \$ 20. | 16 |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 Spring Banquet @ Trackside Rest. |

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Virna's Friday Fish fry

**Sacred Heart Church, Ney Ave. Utica
\$ 6.00 fried or Baked Hours are 4 PM to 7 PM
Every Friday Thru Lent.
Virna is always cooking something up**

INTERCLUB COUNCIL NEWS

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

SKI DATES ARE BEING ARRANGED WITH NYCDSC

Check out Alpine Corner in this issue

You can see the list if you didn't get a copy at our last meeting at

www.geskiclub.org