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Gander Mountain Sports

A Club such as ours needs help in keeping expenses down as much as possible. We are always looking for ways to cut operating costs. Just about a year ago we found a place that was a great place to hold our Board meeting that didn't cost a dime. It was and still is an excellent place to hold our meeting in. Gander Mountain Sports.

We the members of the GE Ski Club can show our appreciation by shopping at Gander Mt. for our Sporting Goods that we are always in need of. Their prices are good and the quality is excellent. Next time you are there and make a purchase be sure and tell them, Thank you from a member of the GE ski Club. Your support is greatly appreciated.



Jazz

NOTICE: JAZZ FEST, BANK PLACE, EVERY WEDNESDAY BEGINNING JULY 12 TROUGH AUGUST 16. The street is blocked off, great jazz/blues live music, food, belly dancing, etc. It's a fun time.

NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS:

WHEN MAILING TO OUR PO BOX 327, PLEASE INDICATE ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE ENVELOPE TO WHOM THE MAIL SHOULD GO. I.E. ATTENTION TRIPS, ATTENTION MEMBERSHIP, ATTENTION SOCIAL, ETC.

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HAPPY HOURS:

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

June 2nd, Munstite Mixer, Utica
June 16th, Bucky's, Rome
June 30th, Van's Tavern, Barneveld
July 14th, Harpoon Eddie's, Sylvan Beach
July 28th, Back Street Brewery, Charlestown

Newsletter Article must be received by June 22nd, to be in the July newsletter

!!! MARK YOUR CALENDAR !!!

June 10th, Relay for Life
June 14th, Horned Dorset, Leonardsville
June 18th, Kayaking Pisco Lake Outlet
June 21st, Erie Canal Bike Ride 6:30 pm
July 13th, Saranac Thursday's Club Night
July 15th, Tony & Jan's Kayak Day
July 21-23rd, Moffit Beach Camping
July 30th, Blue Mt. Lake Kayak 8:00 am
Aug 6th, Clambake Hinckley Lake State Park
Aug 18 -20th, Ed's Beds Weekend

NOTES FROM THE PREZ:

We have some great activities planned including kayaking, Bike trips, weekly Golf and much more so I hope the current wet weather will pass thru so that all of you will join us. If anyone knows of someone who is interested in the club secretary's position, Let us know.

Congrats to all of the Missing Children Riders on May 19th. The Ride is for a great cause and brings much attention to Missing and Exploited children. Come join us and walk at the Relay for Life on June 10th & 11th. See more info in this Newsletter.

Some of us attended the NY Capital District Ski Council's 55th Annual banquet in Voorheesville. This was a great time Where the Guest Speaker, Jeremy Davis, spoke about the website he Maintains about abandoned ski resorts in the Northeast. Check out the website at www.NELSAP.org and see what former ski areas you remember.

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.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION / APPLICATION:

CALL OUR MEMBERSHIP CHAIRS:

**Sue Torres --724-7461 or
Roger Pratt--736-1206**

ACTIVITIES OPEN TO ALL 21 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.

CHECK OUT THE CLUB WEB PAGE

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The Horned Dorset Restaurant

June 14, 2006

Once again it is time to treat ourselves, and our loved ones to a special night out. For those of you who are new to the club, Don Hackley is the Pastry Chef at the Horned Dorset. He has arranged a great gourmet meal for us at a great price. \$ 35. per person which includes tax and gratuities. If you have never been to the Horned Dorset you are missing out on one of the best restaurants in the area.

For more info or to make your reservation please call Don Hackley at 855-4159
Please RSVP by June 9th.

This is a don't miss event!!!!!!

Highway Clean Up

The weather cooperated and we were able to get our section of the Highway cleaned up with the help of Karen McBride, Gail Charzuk, Pat O'Hara, Dave Barr, Dan Sergott, Ron Geiskopf, and Myself. Thanks all for a job well done, Bill

Camping at Moffitt Beach , July 21st – 23rd

We are camping in the Speculator area this July at Moffitt Beach State Park. Moffitt Beach campground is located in the central portion of the Adirondack Park on picturesque Sacandaga Lake at an elevation of 1,730 feet above sea level. The area is generally flat and well wooded with large white pines and hardwoods. We will have 6 Premium Water Sites, #235,238,242,244,246,& 247. There is good fishing on the lake and there's a great sandy beach, picnic area, volleyball area, and boat launch. As usual, State Parks have Rules : Quiet hours are strictly enforced- Please obey. We have room for about 24 campers. Directions: Take Rte 365 North thru Hinckley to Rte 8 North. IN Lake Pleasant Hamlet, There's The Golf Course on your Left and the Park is a Left-Hand Turn 2 miles past that. It's about an Hour's drive so "Day Trippers" can join us at the Picnic/ Beach area. Campground Phone is 518/548-7102. Of interest: Lake Pleasant Golf course, Phone No. is 518/548-7071, and St James Catholic Church in Lake Pleasant (518/548-6275). Check-in time is 12 noon and sites are good thru Monday Morn, July 24th. Camping is \$18 per person for 2 nights if received by July 3rd; after that it's \$20 thru **DEADLINE Date: July 13th**. No Exceptions!!! . There is some room for Thursday Night Camping for an additional \$9. Send payment (checks made out to GE SKI CLUB) with trip form or form below to Attn: Camping, Ron Geiskopf, 485 Van Ellis Rd, Utica, NY 13502

NAME _____ PH: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ ST _____ Zip _____
E mail Address: _____ Car Make _____ Color _____
License plate# _____
Site mates : _____

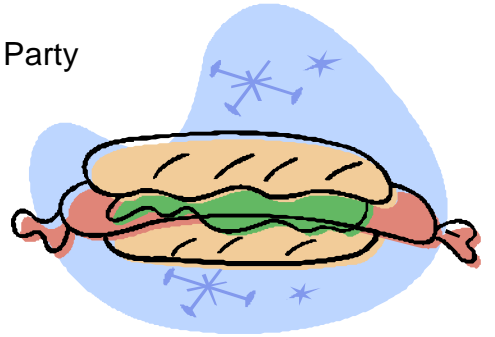
WE WANT YOU

to join us for the Clam Bake and Beach Party
@ **Hinckley Lake State Park**

DATE: Sunday, August 6, 2006

TIME: 11 AM

COST: \$15.00



Bring a dish to pass.

Clams provided by the club.

Chicken, hamburgers, hot dogs, beer, wine, soda, condiments will be provided.

Kayak, canoe and swim.

For reservations call Ann @ 737-3821.

Send money to: GE Ski Club-Attn. Ann

PO Box 327

New Hartford, NY 13413

Deadline for event- July 30.

Life's a beach! Join us for a great time!

JOIN the **GE SKI CLUB FUN GOLF LEAGUE**

A Non-Competitive League

EVERYONE at **ANY** level of golf is **WELCOME!**

Come when you can – **NO** obligation to play every week.

Come out and join us for nine holes at the Hamilton College Golf Course!

Feel free to invite your golf friends to join you.

If you are interested in playing golf with us in the

GE SKI CLUB FUN GOLF LEAGUE,

Please email Jeannine at jmurtaug@hamilton.edu

Or call her at 859-4339.

Mondays and (OR) Wednesdays at 5 PM!

Hittem' **LONG** and **STRAIGHT!**



Directions to the Hamilton College Golf Course:

12 B (Utica Street) to and through Clinton, stay in the right-hand lane by SUBWAY and follow College Street west. Cross Route 233 and proceed up the hill, near the top take the first right onto Campus Road. Turn left after approximately ½ mile onto Loop Road. The 7th tee will be on your right when you turn. Take the first right in to the parking lot by the tennis courts and park at the far end. The Golf Shack is on the first tee. Please sign in and pay the attendant.

Tom O'Hara's Golf Outting

We will be playing golf at Birdies, Eagles, and Ducks on June 26th, and afterward head across the street to Tom's for some refreshments. If you plan on going give Tom a call so he can make the necessary arrangements to insure all have a great time. Tom @ 525-1858cell or 853-5363



New York Capital District Ski Council News

On Friday May 19th, the Capital District held their installation Banquet. Seven Ski Clubs that make up the council attended it. Members from our club who attended were Ron Geiskopf, GESC President, Bill Dumka, Newsletter Editor, Karen McBride, Past Secretary, and Mike Hardiman, Past Cross Country Co-Chairman. Jeremy Davis gave a very interesting presentation about Lost Ski Areas in the Greater New England area. The out going president, Eric Handcock, presented many awards. After all the awards people congregated in groups to exchange stories and experiences. It was fun seeing and talking with people we knew. I know that the council will have a great schedule of events for the upcoming season. I look forward to seeing and skiing with our friends from the council.

An Old Gem Revisited

I would like to introduce our newer members, and older members (with bad memories) to a gem of a kayaking experience. Come with us to an easy, lazy day of fun kayaking on the Outlet of Piseco Lake. We start from Rt. 10 about a mile down the road from the turn off on Rt. 8. After an easy put in of our kayaks, we lazily paddle up stream to the Lake. After crossing the Lake we will stop at the state park and have a bite to eat. This is an easy kayak with great views and abundant wildlife.

On June 18th We will meet at the HSBC Bank on Rt. 12 in Barneveld at 10 AM. Don't miss this gem.

SARANAC THURSDAYS

They're back starting June 1st and we're on the schedule to have fun pouring and serving great beer and hard lemonade. Save these dates: **July 13th and August 24th.**

Sign up for one of these dates through me as soon as possible. We volunteer from 5 to 8pm, (it's good to get there around 4:30 or 4:45 and many go to Varick St. afterwards).

If you can't volunteer the whole time, an hour or two is great!! We'll wear our 40th Anniversary Shirts. Don't have one, Call Dave Barr @ 859-1167 to get one. It's great publicity for our club!! By the way the band playing July 13th is Idol Hands and August 24th is Simple Props.

****Saranac is having a special Wednesday nite concert, June 7th from 5pm to 11pm.** they have scheduled the band Moe and expect to be very busy. They have asked all groups that usually volunteer, and we are one of them, to provide volunteers for that night. the shifts are 5-7, 7-9, 9-11. If you can work any of these shifts, let me know ASAP.****

You can reach me at 853-6728 or 525-7288 or by e-mail prettypatoh@yahoo.com



For Sale

GE SKI CLUB SHIRTS

We have Maroon color shirts in all sizes that have a skier logo and club name on the front and on the back they have our 40th anniversary logo with 40 years and still going downhill in writing.

Golf shirt does not have anything on the back. Sweatshirts are \$ 17, Short sleeve tee shirts are \$ 8, and golf shirts are \$ 13. Place your order now before we run out of your size. We also have mugs and club pins.

Contact DAVE BARR @ 859-1167

Hike, Kayak, Bike, Swim, Relax **ED'S BED'S IN THE ADIRONDACKS**

Aug. 18th, 19th and 20th

We're staying at Ed's Beds for a Weekend of kayaking and Hiking in the Eastern Adirondack Mountains near Gore Mt. There are several places to kayak including Schroon Lake, Thirteenth Lake, and Garnet Lake. Lake George is close by with many good restaurants and great nightlife. The cost is \$50.00 for 2 nights and includes Friday potluck dinner, 2 breakfasts and 2 bag lunches.

Send payment to:
GE Ski Club c/o "Ed's Beds weekend"
PO Box 327 New Hartford NY 13413.
For more info, contact Paul at 724-2058.



ERIE CANAL BIKE RIDE AFTER WORK

TUESDAY JUNE 21st AT 6:30PM

We Will Meet At The Parking Area On Paul Becker Rd. (Behind Whitesboro Central High School) in Marcy. We will bike along River Rd. in Marcy then catch the bike path over RT49 and the Thruway and take the Canal Bike Trail back to the Parking Area. The way is flat and an easy ride.

Approximate distance-10 miles. Call Paul 724-2058 for info.

KAYAK BLUE MOUNTAIN LAKE - SUNDAY JULY 30th

We will Meet at HSBC Bank in Mapledale at 8:00 AM and car pool from there. This is probably one the most scenic kayak trips we will do this season. Don't miss this one! Mark your calendar.

For more info, contact Andy Reath at 735-0349

Kayak on West Canada

On Saturday May 13, just before noon, nine kayaks, one canoe, eleven people, and one can of beer --- well one big can of beer, -- actually, one very big can of beer, shoved off for a delightful trip down the West Canada. The clouds parted, the sun came out, the temperature rose, and the wind blew in our faces for most of the trip. With the water down a bit and a head wind, the raging class .5 torrents normally experienced, were a bit tamer. Maybe class .25. All in all a nice trip even if Randy did have to carry his kayak across a shallow spot. Afterwards, we celebrated our victory over the water with some normal size beer cans and some large burgers, -- well, very large burgers at Vans. All who went, enjoyed. Those who missed, -- well-- tough.



Join us June 10-11th

On June 10-11th the GE Ski Club will again be participating in The Relay For Life at JFK Middle School On Deerfield Drive East In North Utica. Our team will help raise money for The American Cancer Society, to help fund cancer research. This is a very colorful and fun event. It's a great opportunity for our Ski Club to help our community. We will be camping-out at the JFK Middle School Track and we will have volunteers walking continuously from 12 noon Saturday until noon on Sunday. Last year more than 35 members attended and help raise nearly \$1000. Lets do better this year!!

We are looking for Volunteers to walk and to help us raise funds during the camp-out and to maintain a presence at the Event. Please call Ron Geiskopf or Paul Zajac for more information. Maybe you can spend part of your day with us to walk or camp-out with us, or help out at our campsite. We are taking sign ups for 2 hour periods to walk, eat and party with us by calling Pat O'Hara at 853-6728 or 525-7288. Please sign up for one or more of the following time slots:

- 12 noon -2pm The Party Begins!! Opening ceremony walk
- 2-4pm Afternoon/Miss Relay walk
- 4-6pm Afternoon/Health walk
- 6-8 pm GE Ski Club Caribbean Kazoo Band lap- We want lots and lots of members for this. Dress accordingly, be ready to play a kazoo and have a cookout!!
- 8-10 pm Faces of Relay/ Luminaria set-up laps
- 10-12 pm Luminaries ceremony walk,
- Midnight–2am Starlight walk We really need a couple of people for this.
- 2-4am Thanks Bob Jakes and Jim White for signing up!!!
- 4-6 am Sunrise walk,- We really need a couple of people for this also.
- 6-8 am Breakfast walk (Mass at 7 am)
- 8-10 am Almost done walk
- 10-12noon Grand Finale walk/ Victory lap/ Closing Ceremonies- We could use a hand to tear the campsite down following the ceremonies etc....

If you can't participate please make a donation. Make checks payable to The American Cancer Society

Visit our **Ski Club Team homepage** on the Internet at; ([Follow This Link](#)) or

<http://www.acsevents.org/faf/search/searchTeamPart.asp?ievent=141832&lis=1&kntae141832=C6A242E2CCD24043A4A22527592AB7E5&team=1284620&tlteam=0>

More details will be provided as we approach the event. Call Ron at 732-5926 or Paul at 724-2058 for more info.

CANS AND BOTTLES

To help raise money we are having a deposit can/ bottle drive throughout the month of May. Please donate your returnable cans and bottles. You can drop off your cans and bottles at the following locations.

North Utica area – Ron Geiskopf's 485 Van Ellis Rd Utica

Marcy / Deerfield / Trenton area - Paul Zajac's 6201 Glass Factory Rd. Marcy

South Utica area – Andy Reath's 410 Rugby Rd. Utica

Clinton / Kirkland area – Tom O'Hara's 156 Kirkland Ave Clinton

June

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
				1	2 Social Hour Munstitute Mixer MWPI Utica	3
4	5 Golf 5 PM Hamilton College	6	7	8	9	10 Relay for Life
11	12 Golf 5 PM Hamilton College	13 Board Meeting @ Gander Mt.	14 Dinner Horned Dorset Leonardsville	15	16 Social Hour Bucky's Rome	17
18 Kayaking Piseco Lake Outlet	19 Golf 5 PM Hamilton College	20	21	22	23	24
25	26 Golf Birdies Eagles and Ducks. 5 PM Kirkland	27	28	29	30 Social Hour Van's Tavern, Barneveld	

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