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## GE SKI CLUB NEWSLETTER

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## Calling all breakfast lovers!

The PANCAKE BREAKFAST fundraiser is SATURDAY, MAY 3rd @ TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH on Westmoreland Rd in Whitesboro Rd across from the elementary school.

8 -11:30 am.

Cost is \$5.00, under 5 yrs. is free.

Please support this-ask friends, neighbors, family to come and enjoy pancakes, sausage or bacon, juice, coffee.

Call Pat O'Hara for more info. Or call me to help out; we still need 3-4 more to work.

### **2nd Annual Doug O'Hara Golf Open (Captain-N-Crew format)**

**Sunday June 1st at 1pm(Mark your calendars!)**

**Alder Creek Golf Course**

**Cost will be \$35**

\*\$5 for Relay for Life!

\*9 holes of golf and a use of a cart

\*Beer on tap, lemonade and iced tea throughout the afternoon

\*Picnic style dinner to be served after you finish your round of golf (approximately 330-400pm)

This is open to GE Ski Club members, friends of Doug's and anyone else who would like to come (golfers or non-golfers.) If you have a team, let me know, and I will mark you down.

If you are interested in coming for the food, let me know. I will check with Greg to see what the price will be. Last year it was \$9 for all-you-can-eat food including drinks.

**Contact Wayne with any questions 222-4526** or email at [drwrf@yahoo.com](mailto:drwrf@yahoo.com)

Pat O'Hara will start a signup at the Spring Banquet this coming Saturday.

If you have any stories about Doug or pictures, please bring them to share. Doug will want us to have a few laughs, and numerous beers!!

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### HAPPY HOURS

May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Vineyard, Oneida St, Washington Mills
May 16 <sup>th</sup>	Cavallo's *****CHANGE
June 6 <sup>th</sup>	Danielle's @ Valley View
June 20 <sup>th</sup>	Harpoon Eddies
July 11 <sup>th</sup>	Boilermaker Volunteer Party
July 25 <sup>th</sup>	Irish Fest

!!! MARK YOUR CALENDAR !!!

May 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Pancake Brunch
May 4 <sup>th</sup>	West Canada Canoe & Kayak
May 17 – 18	Paddlefest
June 1 <sup>st</sup>	Doug O'Hara Golf Tournament
June 6 <sup>th</sup>	Danielle's
June 7 & 8	Relay for Life
June 11 <sup>th</sup>	Bike Ride
June 19 <sup>th</sup>	Saranac Thursday
June 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Kayak Trip – Otsego Lake
June 25	Horned Dorsett dinner
July 8 <sup>th</sup>	Abbey Road – NH Village Green
July 12 <sup>th</sup>	Kayak trip
July 13	Boilermaker Water Station
July 18 – 20	Camping at Lewey Lake
August 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Clambake - Picnic
August 7	Saranac Thursday
Sept 6 -	Kayak picnic at Tony & Jan's, Snowbird Lake

### \*Special Events

### NOTES FROM THE PREZ:

Well the elections are over and your new officers, listed else where, are ready to tackle another year of fun and activates for the club.

I want to thank all those that voted and also those that filled out the questionnaire. It helps us in our quest for better things for the club.

I would like to ask if you would help the club with the relay for life events as they help honor our past member and good friend Doug O'Hara.

We hope to have a variety of fun events this summer and are already planning next year's winter ski activities. Hope to see you at as many events as you can. Think Fun!

Andy

### General membership meetings

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

Newsletter Articles must be received by May 20th to be in the June Newsletter

### MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION / APPLICATION:

CALL OUR MEMBERSHIP CHAIRS:

**KATHY WHITE 853-5946 or  
LINDA IRWIN 896-4207**

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For Club Activities and Pictures

# BOILERMAKER ROAD RACE DAY – SUNDAY, JULY 13

The G.E. Ski Club has volunteered to man an official boilermaker road race water station on Whitesboro St in Utica for many years now. If you would like to be a part of the official G.E. Ski Club boilermaker road race water station team, let me know by e-mail [andy@ugefcu.net](mailto:andy@ugefcu.net) or by phone @ 735-0349.

By being an official member of the G.E. Ski Club road race water station team, you will get an official boilermaker road race water station volunteer tee shirt, a special pre boilermaker road race volunteer party, a post boilermaker road race goody bag, an official volunteer pin, volunteer lunch, and free official volunteer beer or soda or water. If you have done this before and no personal information has changed, just let me know, by either of the above official means. Telling me at happy hour won't work, I won't remember. If something has changed OR if you are officially volunteering for the first time, I need to know your full NAME, MAILING ADDRESS and TEE SHIRT SIZE.

All official volunteers MUST officially notify me by May 10, by above means, if you want to be an OFFICIAL G.E.SKI CLUB boilermaker road race water station team member.

Anybody can come the day of the race and help at the water station. In fact you are more than welcome, but you will not be able to partake of the official parties or receive an official volunteer shirt, volunteer pin, beer. Soda, beer, water or beer, if you don't sign up ahead of time to be on the official G.E.SKI CLUB boilermaker road race water station team. Remember deadline is May 10<sup>th</sup>.

**\*\*NOTE\*\*** The water station is on Whitesboro St at the corner of Cherry St in Utica. It is right across from the fire house and just west of Heintz funeral parlor (west is towards Yorkville). Volunteers are asked to be there between 6:00 and 7:00Am ) about the crack of light) to help set up and are requested to stay until the end o to help take down. Parking is limited and some roads are blocked off earlier than need to be. Some parking is available at the water station or in Heintz's lot or you can park on Erie St and walk up Kernan Ave.

The 5K Race officially starts at 7:30AM, wheel chair at 7:45 AM, and the main race at 8:00 AM.

See you there and thanks for your help.

Andy Reath – Official Captain – G.E. SKI 8 CLUB boilermaker water station team.

## RELAY FOR LIFE

We had our kick-off meeting. We have some great fund – raising ideas: raffle, auction, dinner, breakfast, luminaries, golf outing. Now it is time to put our ideas into action!!

Our next organizing meeting is Monday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 99 Restaurant at 6 PM. We can use more team members and it is open to friends and family too.

**So – Are You Ready to Relay??**

Contact Pat O'Hara at 853 – 6728.

FYI – Relay for Life of Utica 2008 Kick Off Celebration is Friday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM at MVCC in the IT Building. **All are invited!!**

**Relay for Life Weekend  
June 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>.  
Save the date!!**

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# Lewey Lake Camping Trip

**July 18 – 20th**

Our July Camping Trip is to Lewey Lake State Campgrounds.

Lewey Lake is Located 12 North of Speculator near Indian Lake. The 1.3 Mile-Long lake has a great view of Snowy Mtn to the North and has the Miami River feeding into it from the Southwest. Lewey Lake has an Outlet connecting it to Indian Lake, one of the larger Adirondack lakes. The campground features hot showers, a sand beach & swimming area, bathhouse, Hiking Trails and Boat launches on both Indian and Lewey Lakes. Check in Time is 11 AM. We have 7 sites on the Lake: Site # 107,109,111,113,115,117,119. The sites are reserved for Andy Reath, Mike Hardiman, Virna Thibault, Karen McBride, Heather Martin, Chuck Balsler and Ron Geiskopf. To sign up, contact one of These People for availability on those sites. Costs are to be shared with them. Or, if you wish, There are also sites across from ours which would Likely be available if you need to make your own reservation. Reservations can be made at [www.reserveamerica.com](http://www.reserveamerica.com) or by calling 800/456-2267. Call Ron with any questions at 732 5926- I can also make additional reservations. Directions: take Route 12 North to Rte 365 North to Route 8 North. Continue to Speculator and then turn left onto Rte 30 North. Continue for another 12 miles where the campground entrance will be on your Left. Lewey Lake is about 74 Miles North of Utica.

## West Canada Canoe and Kayak day

Once again, as spring rolls around, we will take our sturdy little boats and shoot the raging and not so raging rapids of the West Canada Creek. This will take place on **Sunday, May 4**. We will meet at the public fishing drive off on Rt 28 at the bottom of Putnam Hill Rd, aprox 2-3 miles from Rt 12 at **10:00 AM**.

Cockpit covers or spray skirts and life vests are required as some people have flipped in the one section of rapids that can get sorta rough. Make sure your stuff is secured or tethered to your boat so it doesn't float away if you should take on water. Be sure to bring some grub and drink as we stop along the way to have lunch. We will probably go to Vans in Barneveld after for some of their food specials and just maybe a beer or two or three. Questions or more info call Andy at 735-0349.

## SKIS FOR SALE

Atomic Mentrion M 9, 164 CM with bindings, very new, \$550.

Fischer RC4 Race SC, 170 CM with bindings, very new \$579.

Call Andy 735-0349 or [andy@ugefcu.net](mailto:andy@ugefcu.net) .

## Kayak for sale.

Current Designs Storm, 17 FT, 25" wide, two water proof compartments with hatches, full deck rigging, paddle holder, cushioned seat, thigh braces, rudder, paddle, and cockpit cover. \$850

Call Andy @ 735-0349.

# WIN THIS BIKE



TREK 21 speed hybrid road/trail

## G. E. SKI CLUB BIKE RAFFEL

For the American Cancer Society's

# RELAY FOR LIFE

Drawing to be held June 8, 2008 during the Relay For Life event at the M.V.C.C. college campus, Utica.

Tickets available at any ski club function of relay for life team member

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Donation - \$3 each,

Book of 3 for \$5, 6 for \$10

Bike may be exchanged for color, size, comparable model, or upgraded.

Winner need not be present.

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RELAY FOR LIFE committee needs volunteers. Please call **Pat O'Hara** 853-6728 or 525-7288. A \$10 donation is all that is needed. You may help as much as you can. The more the merrier. We need ten main committee members to be able to have our booth at the relay event. We need volunteers at the various events that are happening. Call Pat soon. We do this in honor of our past member and good friend, Doug.

## "Ride for Missing Children"

. The "Ride for Missing Children" is on Friday May 16. This is a fund raiser for the National Missing Children Center. The money raised goes to making and distributing posters and other valuable services. Several of the G E Ski Club members ride in this event. The course is about 100 miles and they visit many schools along the way to teach child safety. The final leg of this journey is up Genesee St. to Oxford Rd. to the New Hartford rec center. This is a most impressive site with all the police and support vehicles blowing their sirens or horns to announce the arrival of the bike riders. They ride 2 x 2 and the line is long. To support our ski club members many of us go to the intersection of Genesee and Campion/Oxford and cheer the riders as they finish their long day. It just so happens that Cavallo's is also right there and we meet there to wait for the riders. A few beers and wines have been known to have been tasted while we wait. So let's meet at Cavallo's on Fri May 16 to have a ride for missing children social hour.

**Saranac Thursday volunteer bar tend.** We will be doing this again this year. We have requested two nights but they are getting a lot more groups asking so we don't know if we will get two nights. We hope to do it June 19 or 26 and August 7 or 14. Final word has not arrived yet so keep posted. Saranac Thursday volunteer bar tend. We will be doing this again this year. We have requested two nights but they are getting a lot more groups asking so we don't know if we will get two nights. We hope to do it June 19.

Extra- just heard we will only be getting on night this year. AR

Our semi annual time to **think green** is approaching. Sat May 10 we will again be patrolling the shoulders of Middle Settlement Rd to help mother earth spruce up for summer.

Come join the GE Green team for some exercise and show civic responsibility in filling up some big orange bags with the things some of our inconsiderate fellow earthlings have thrown from their carbon burning machines.

Then we go for some goodies at Dunkin, you know everything runs on Dunkin.

Meet at Zebbs parking lot, Rt 5 New Hartford at 8:30 AM. All safety items will be handed out there.

## **GE SKI CLUB "PICKLE / TIP Jar" DOES WELL**

On March 11, the amount of \$137 was donated from the "GE Ski Club Pickle/ Tip Jar" to the Cancer Telethon. Many thanks to the very generous donors.

Thank You!  
Marty Baca



## **Basket Night – Tuesday – April 1**

Nineteen baskets were prepared by our members for this fund raiser. The event raised \$193 and then Dan Z and Randy Brooks donated their share of the “50 -50” to the amount raised so that added another \$31. Way to go guys.

The winners of the baskets were : Dave Parzych (2 baskets), Virna Thibault (2 baskets), Karen Semeraro, Linda Irwin (2 baskets), Elaise Young (2 baskets), Sue Langone, Don Hackley, Craig Stewart, Bob Jakubowski, Chuck Harter, Paul Zajac, Karen McBride, Brian Hackley, Mike Semeraro and Kim Hackley.

**For more information about Relay for Life, go to the website: [www.relayforlife.org](http://www.relayforlife.org) or e-mail them at [Utica.relay@cancer.org](mailto:Utica.relay@cancer.org).**

### **Old Forge Kayak/Sleepover Friday July 11th/Saturday July 12th**

Looking to go kayaking Hollywood style? This is your opportunity! Katie Smith is opening up her camp on Hollywood Drive/1st Lake in Old Forge on Friday July 11 for those interested in a sleepover and then kayaking on the Fulton Chain of Lakes Saturday around 930-1000am. Yes, this sleepover coincides with the Boilermaker volunteer party. Just plan on heading up to Katie's after the party. If you would like to do this, call Katie at 896-6849(I will post her camp phone as soon as I can) and plan to bring the following: pillow, sleeping bag, food and drinks. If you are looking at kayaking plan to meet at Katie's camp around 930-1000am. Kayaking in the morning is the best time to go, before all of the boat activity starts rocking the waves. Hope to see you there!

Wayne

### ***BIKE RIDE AFTER WORK*** ***Wednesday JUNE 11th at 6:30PM***

We will meet at the Marcy Elementary School on Maynard Dr. in Marcy. We will bike along River Rd. in Marcy pass Lock 20 then catch the bike path to Paul Becker Rd. We'll then head back to the school. The way is mostly flat with a few easy hills.

Approximate distance will be 8 -10 miles depending on the exact route.

Afterwards we may head over to the Marcy tavern for refreshments.

Call Paul 724-2058 for info.

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<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 – VINEYARD'S	3 Pancake Brunch Relay for Life
4 West Canada Canoe / Kayak	5	6	7	8	9	10 Highway Clean up
11 Mother's Day	12	13 6:30 Board Mtg – Colonial Square	14	15	16 Social Hour Cavallo's RIDE FOR MISSING CHILDREN	17 Paddlefest
18 Paddlefest	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

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# JUNE

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1 DOUG O'HARA GOLF TOURNAMENT	2	3	4	5	6 Social Hour Danielle's Valley View	7 RELAY FOR LIFE
8 RELAY FOR LIFE	9	10 6:30 PM Board Mtg Gander Mt.	11 BIKE RIDE	12	13	14
15 FATHER'S DAY	16	17	18	19 Saranac Thursday	20 Social Hour Harpoon Eddies	21
22 KAYAK OTSEGO LAKE	23	24	25	26	27	28
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