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MEETING DATE CHANGE

Because of STOWE TRIP

Our MARCH meeting will be on

TUESDAY, MARCH 16

AT THE REGULAR TIME

Become a Millionaire!!

Attend the next few meetings to have a chance to win a MILLION $$.

Stowe Vt Ski Trip

Feb 28 – Mar 3, 2010 $475

Balance for trip is due before February 12 or pay at the February 2nd meeting.

Mail to:

Chuck Spinelli
2802 Welsh Bush Rd
Frankfort, NY 13340
(315) 724-3349

SMUGGLER'S NOTCH TRIP
FEB 7 – FEB 8
$159.00
SIGNUP AND PAY BY FEB 2ND

Bus trip to Smugglers' Notch is all set. It is a Sunday (Super Bowl Sunday) and Monday one night, two day trip.

Bus leaves north Utica at 4:00 AM on Sunday the 7th of Feb. Ski Sunday and Monday. Stay in condos with breakfast Monday. Bus leaves Smuggs at 4:30PM to return home.
Cost with two day lift tickets is $159. If you already have your tickets it's $110.
We are planning a Super Bowl party in the Condos. We want everyone to bring an item to snack on. Example: Beer, Wine, chips, dips, etc. etc.
Please call me at 794-4907 to sign up and forward this message to anyone who may want to go. Payment is due no later than the Feb. 2nd meeting.
Thanks,
Mike Semeraro
6 Lyon Pl.
Utica, NY 13502

BOARD OFFICERS FOR 2009-2010

PRESIDENT	ANDY REATH	735-0349
	(info@geskiclub.org)	
VICE PRESIDENT	DICK FORSTI	735-8842
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ALPINE		
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	MIKE SEMERARO	797-4400
	(trips@geskiclub.org)	
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	JOHN MCCABE	736-1893

HAPPY HOURS

Feb 12	**Snow Ridge**
Feb. 26	**Killabrew's**

!!! MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!

Feb 7 & 8	**Smugglers Notch, Vt**
Feb 13	**X-C Tony & Jan's**
Feb 14	**Ski Oak Mt**
Feb 28 - March 3	**Stowe, Vt.**
Mar 14	**Spring Picnic – Royal Mt**
March 7	**Butternut**
March 20	**McCauley**
Apr 17	**Spring Banquet**

Prez says:

Well I guess the down turn in the economy has hit the ski club. We only had four people sign up for the Lake Placid/Whiteface trip, which was a heck of a deal, when a few years ago we got eighty. Well at least we may have a good number for the Smuggs return.

By the time this is out the TAOS trip people should be back and I'm going to say it was a great trip. More stories and pictures to follow.

The nomination form is in the newsletter and will be at the meeting also. Please fill them out and you may, by all means, put yourself down for a position. I hope some new people want to take part in keeping the club going.

We can use some more people on the Stowe trip. We're at twenty but we have room for thirty. Another heck of a deal.

There are some club ski days scheduled. Hope to see you at them. Check the listing and note the "free skiing" at Butternut.

Remember the general membership meeting change for March, the third Tuesday instead of the first.

Its winter-ski your buns off.

ANDY

General membership meetings
American Legion Post # 1113
Whitesboro at 7:30 P.M.
Schedule has changed – checked the newsletter for dates.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION / APPLICATION:
CALL OUR MEMBERSHIP CHAIRS:
KAREN SEMERARO 797-4400
MARIANNE SPINELLI 724-3349
ACTIVITIES OPEN TO ALL 21 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.

Check out the Club Web Page
Updated by GUY Y
www.geskiclub.org
For Club Activities and Pictures

Stevens Swan Support

The GE Ski Club has donated $250.00 to the Stevens Swan Humane Society of Oneida County during its January 28, 2010 telethon fund drive. Karen Semeraro raffled off a Christmas wreath during the December 1st meeting and photographs donated by Dave Parzych were raffled off during the December 15th meeting. The $250 donation made the GE Ski Club a "Cool Cat" donor. Thank you for your support of this worthwhile cause.

2009 – 2010 CLUB ROSTERS

We have over 140 members in our ski club. We are still getting membership applications.

The Membership Committee will have rosters available at the February 2nd meeting.

If you do not attend the meeting and want a roster, please contact Membership and they can send a copy by e-mail or snail mail.

Remember on the membership application, you could check that you did not want your information published. The rosters will have names, addresses, phone numbers and e-mails.

Ski Butternut Ski area for free. Yes FREE.

On Sunday March 7 we will carpool to western Mass to the Butternut Ski area...
We have lift vouchers left over from the door prize drawings good for free tickets for the 2010 season.
This is a fun place with aprox 1000 foot vertical, 4 main lifts, and a bunch of fun trails.
We will leave the north Utica D.O.T. parking lot at OH Six Darkness, or Six AM for the regular skiers, or the middle of the night for the sleep ins.
Now remember, this should be free, but if more people show up than we have vouchers for, we will split any extra costs.
There are 12 to 15, so it will probably work out to be FREE.
Now who can't pass up a free day of skiing, (or snow boarding).

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR VITAL INFORMATION IS LEGIBLE. NEED LEGIBLE COPIES FOR THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIRS.

MAKE SURE THE CLUB HAS YOUR CORRECT E-MAIL ADDRESS.

Limited Edition Ski Pole Flags are here – only $5.00. Be recognized on the slopes.

SKI BUTTERNUT

Ski Butternut is offering your Ski Clubs members $35 Lift Tickets.

The Weekend $35 Lift Tickets are also available to your clubs immediate family members.

Club members this is a $20 savings off the regular Ski Butternut $55 weekend/holiday rate. That means club members save $20 on lift tickets just for showing your ID.

Lift Ticket discount is available on most every weekend of the season (special $35 Lift ticket offer excludes only the busy 3-day MLK & Pres. Day weekends).

--Gore Mt.--

Empire pass ski cards are $89 this year. You usually can get them at the Albany ski show for $10 off. You get one free ticket good any time and $16 off regular ticket price anytime.

$10 off lift tickets with a food donation until Dec 18

Gore Mt. - Dec 4, lift ticket $29.
$10 off lift with food item until Dec 18

Gore and Whiteface - Coke Wednesdays, (no not that kind, the soft drink)
Bring a Coca Cola product, $38 lift, non holiday Wednesdays

McCauley - Jan - April, $8 lift, non holiday Fridays,
season pass holders - reciprocal days at Whiteface, Gore, and Titus

Bellayre - $25 lift, Customer appreciation days:
Dec 11, Jan 15, Feb 12, Mar 12, Apr 2.
Winter festival Jan 25 - 29, $20 lift

Plattekill - $15 lift, Jan 27 - 29

Snow Ridge - $5 Friday nights 3 PM - 8:30 PM:
Jan 8, Feb 12, Mar 12.
Military ski free days:
Jan 13, Feb 5, Mar 5

July 2010 Camping Trip- Lake Durant

We are planning our 2010 July Camping Trip for July 16-18th. The Destination is Lake Durant State Park near Blue Mtn Lake. This campground has some nice sites on Water. Lake Durant is a smaller lake but is very scenic. Nearby are Blue Mountain Lake, Indian Lake And Long Lake for alternative Paddling. Area Hikes include Terrell Pond, Northville-Placid Trail,Blue Mtn, & Sawyer Mtn as well as several other Flat Hikes to streams and small Lakes.

Contact Ron at 732-5926 if Interested in a campsite ASAP. Or visit www.reserveamerica.com to make your own reservation.

Show your GE Ski Club membership card:

McCauley - $10 off weekend lift ticket
Royal Mt - 2 for 1 lift tickets
Butternut - $35 weekend ticket
Labrador – TBA
Snow Ridge - $7 off ticket
Bellayre - $10 off lift ticket
Plattekill - TBA
Catamount - TBA
Windham - $20 ski club card, get 1 free ticket and get discount rates rest of season.
Discounted lift tickets with various club ski days at local areas

Retail discounts:

Show current GE Ski club membership card at these shops and get discounts on purchases:

Bikes and Boards-
Featuring adult men's, women's and children's skis, boots, boards, gloves, helmets, goggles, tune up accessories, used skis and takes trade in's.
Variable discount from 5% to 20% depending on item.

Sonne's Bike and Fitness-
Featuring cross country skis, boots, bindings; snow boards; road & mountain bicycles, and fitness equipment.
Discount of at least 10%.

Schuss Ski & Bike -
Featuring large selection of North Face and other clothing; skis, boots, goggles; kayaks and bikes.
Discount - 10% off on all goods or services.

FOR SALE

Ladies Head Ski boots. Model: Edge +10. Size 24.5 (approx. 7 1/2 - 8). Never worn.

List price - $450. Will sell for $250. Call Sharon at 797-0910.

Thanks much.

Sharon Persbacker

Skis for sale, Atomic SX-1, all mountain, 168 CM, w/bindings, new- never used, probably best for beginner to intermedate, $189.

Alpine design insulated Gore Tex ski pants, black, men's size large, $50.

Haber ski goggles, will also fit over small glasses, retail $120, sale $40.
Fischer skis, AMC-73, 164 CM,w/bindings, $200. - All mountain, very easy turning, stable.
Fischer skis, AMC-76, 164 CM,w/bindings, $275. All mountain, very stable, mid-higher performance.
If interested or want more info, call Andy @ 735-0349, or e-mail- andyrr@verizon.net

X-C Corner

We've had our first snow and some have tested their skis already. Hopefully the trails will stay covered and snow will continue to fall.

Scheduled Events:

February 13th-Tony & Jan Bartolotti's x-c on Snowbird Lake (near Forestport area). We will meet at 11 am (directions in next newsletter). Bring a dish to pass. You need to sign-up for this event. A list will be available at the next meeting.

For more info on any of these events contact me at 853-6728. Patti O'Hara

"SKI YOU LATER"

IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN!!

Start thinking about nominations or volunteering for the ski club board of officers for next season. Although the fall meetings have just started and ski season is just starting, the board has been on duty and working for seven months already. The March elections will be here before you know it.

BOARD MEMBER NOMINATIONS

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 MARCH 16TH.

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 THE VICE-PRESIDENT.

BOARD MEMBER JOB DESCRIPTIONS

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	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	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	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	Send Public Announcements To Local Media To Publicize The Club And It's Meetings. Keep Club Informed Of Community Affairs.
SOCIAL	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 Chairperson(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 2010-2011 SKI CLUB OFFICERS

All nominations must be in the Club's P O Box by MARCH 10th,

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 Andy Reath @735-0349

GE SKI CLUB, INC

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Trip Agreement Form and Refund Policy

1. Each participant shall completely fill out all parts of the Trip Form legibly.
2. Each participant shall submit a completed Trip Form with a deposit to confirm his/her reservation.
3. Each participant shall be a current member of the G. E. Ski Club Inc. (The Club).
4. All deposits and payments shall be in by dates or deadlines published for each trip or event.
5. Each reservation, made either at the regular meeting or by postmarked correspondence, is on a first come, first served basis.
6. Make all checks payable to & send to G.E. Ski Club. PO Box 327, New Hartford NY 13413-0327 - Attn:Trips. Write trip name on check memo line. Returned checks for LACK OF FUNDS will incur a $30.00 charge.
7. Each participant shall list roommates for a trip. If roommates are not listed or do not sign up, roommates will be assigned.
8. Each participant is completely and individually responsible for his/her own actions during all trips or events and bears the burden of liabilities thereof.
9. Each participant, by signing this agreement, holds The Club harmless and waives all right of regress for any liability whatsoever that may arise during the course of a trip.
10. A participant should know and understand that any sport or trip is inherently dangerous and could result in personal catastrophic injury, death, or property damage; and that he or she participates at his/her own risk. The participant releases "The Club" from any and all liability per the signed membership application and by signing this agreement.

Refund Policy

1. The Club reserves the right to cancel any trip at any time for any reason. In that case, The Club will every effort to recover monies paid out and refund to trip participants per this policy.
2. Each participant is responsible for a pro-rated cost of any trip they have signed up for.
3. Any participant who has made a deposit and has to cancel prior to the first deposit DATE/DEADLINE will receive a refund.
4. If a participant cancels after the first deposit Date/Deadline, the participant is responsible for expenses incurred by the club on their behalf for said trip. Any monies that can be recouped will be refunded per refund policy.
5. Any refunds due, because of a participant cancellation after the first deposit Date/Deadline, or trip is Cancelled, will be declared within thirty days and paid within sixty days of the trip's **scheduled completion date.**

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE G.E. SKI CLUB INC TRIP FORM FULLY. I AGREE TO, AND WILL ABIDE, BY ALL CONDITIONS SET FORTH HEREIN.

Name (Print)_____ On this date_____ For trip_____

Signature_____ Membership #_____

ADDRESS: _____ Room mates_____

_____ _____

E-MAIL: _____
Room Request – DBL_____ TRI_____ QUAD_____ Skier type – Downhill_____ X-C_____
PHONES-(Home)_____ (Work) _____ (Cell) _____
Emergency contact – Name_____ phone_____

**********For GE Ski Club Trip Chair Use Only**********

Pay	Date	Check #	Amount	Total $	Comments	Trip Chair
1						
2						
3						
4						

Cancelled_____Date_____Refund-Amt$_____Date_____ REV.9-18-06

FEBRUARY 2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 SKI CLUB	3	4	5	6
7 Smugglers' Notch	8 Smugglers'' Notch	9 BD MTG	10	11	12 SOCIAL HOUR SKI SNOW RIDGE $5 NIGHT BELLEAYRE - $25	13 TONY & JAN'S X-C DAY
14 SKI OAK MT.	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26 SOCIAL HOUR KILLABREWS	27
28 STOWE TRIP						

MARCH 2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 STOWE TRIP	2 STOWE TRIP	3 STOWE TRIP	4	5	6
7	8	9 BD MTG	10 NOMINATIONS DUE	11	12 FINGER FOOD @ 5:00PM @ FINGER BULLIT	13
14 SPRING PICNIC ROYAL MT	15	16 SKI CLUB MEETING CHANGE	17 ST. PATRICK'S DAY	18	19	20 SKI MCCAULEY
21	22	23	24	25	26 Social Hour Zebb's	27
28	29	30	31			

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