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GE SKI CLUB NEWSLETTER

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General Membership Meetings

Are held at the Elk's Club on **1315 Champlin Ave in Yorkville at 6:30 PM.** Meetings are now the **3rd Tuesdays** of every month from **Oct. to April.** Guests are always welcome.

Newsletter Articles must be received by **APRIL 20th** to be in the **May** newsletter and sent in Word format. Send to dwester1420@gmail.com

Membership Forms can also be found on the website at

<http://www.geskiclub.org/pdfs/memapp.pdf>



The G.E. Ski Club **Spring Banquet** will be held on **Saturday, April 27, 2013** at the **Beeches** in Rome, NY.



6:30 pm Cash Bar,
7:00 pm Dinner,
8:00 - 11:00 pm Dancing

We will be having the Beeches Grand Buffet which includes: Garden Salad, Rolls, Herb Roasted Chicken, Salmon -w- Dill Sauce, Greens Romano, Pasta Primavera, Red Roasted Garlic Parmesan Potatoes, Fresh Cold Vegetables, Shrimp & Pasta Salad, Fresh Sliced Fruit, Asian Chicken & Broccoli Salad, Vegetable Du Jour, Coffees and Tea

Cost: **\$30.00** per person until **4/16/13** at the Ski Club meeting

Do **NOT** send checks to the Club P.O. Box **after 4/8/13.**

After the 4/16 meeting, you must contact Ann Slattery @ 793-2019 to sign up and deliver payment

\$35.00 per person **4/17-4/23/13**

\$40.00 per person (if available) **after 4/23/13**

Please send your checks to GE Ski Club, PO Box 327, New Hartford, NY 13413

**BOARD OFFICERS
FOR 2012-2013**

PRESIDENT

KATHY WHITE 853-5946
(info@geskiclub.org)

VICE PRESIDENT

RON GEISKOPF 732-5926

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NOTES FROM THE PREZ:

By the time you read this newsletter the ski season will be pretty much over. Oops, maybe not... Let's hope all of you had a great ski season. I know we did.... I also hope you all had a wonderful Easter.

Elections and our final meeting of the season is April 16. Don't forget to vote....

We will also have a basket raffle to benefit Relay for Life. If you wish to donate a raffle item please contact Ron or Patty O'Hara.

It is never to late to serve your club. Please consider running for an office. We need new faces and new energy. Step up to this rewarding challenge.

Moving ahead to spring and summer. This is the time you really need to read the newsletter for summer events and happenings. Summer picnic, kayaking, camping, hiking and bike riding. Don't forget facebook and our website. After all we are a year round club. We will have a new webmaster soon. Information to follow. If you have any question about running for an office, please call VP Ron Geiskopf. We can always use volunteers to head up an event. Give this some thought and call Ron or Kathy.

Don't forget to fill out the feedback survey in this newsletter. It was also passed out at the March meeting. If you went on any trip this year we ask that you fill this out to help assist the trip chair plan and organize future trips. Mail into the PO Box as soon as possible. Thanks. **Also in this newsletter is our new trip policy.**

Spring Banquet and the new board of directors will be inducted on April 27 at The Beaches. **Don't miss the end of the year party.** Call Ann to sign up. Full payment is due at the time of sign up.

THINK SPRING

KATHY

HAPPY HOURS
(Begin after Work)

Apr 5th - The Griff (Rt 365 E. Rome – Next to 13 Pines Motel)
Apr 19th- Georgio's (New Hartford)

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May 3rd - BBG's near Symeon's on Commercial Dr
May 17th - Cavallo's New Hartford to view the Ride for Missing Children

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HELP WANTED

GE Ski Club Webmaster

Duties include: Updating and maintaining website with Photos and Newsletter links and possible other documents. Also, sending out NewsBlasts.

If you are interested, please call Kathy at 853-5946 as soon as possible.

Activities For Your Calendar

Your ski club has planned a number of fun activities that bring us together as a club and as friends. Please join us for any (or all) of these outings. If You Have an Event in the Upcoming Months, Please Contact the Vice President at VP@geskiclub.org to Schedule your Activity.

APRIL

BASKET RAFFLE on APRIL 16TH at the General Meeting

Team G.E. Ski Club will kickoff our "fun"draisers for the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life at the next general meeting. a Tisket, a Tasket, who's bringing a basket??? If you're unable to make-up a basket, consider buying raffle tickets for the baskets. One for \$1, three for \$2 and arms-length (12) for \$5...the best deal by far....

We also anticipate unveiling the bike raffle at the April meeting. Tickets will be one for \$3, three for \$5 and 10 for \$10. Bike raffle tickets will be sold throughout April, May, June. Drawing will be Sunday morning, June 9th at Relay For Life event at MVCC. So spread the word to your family, friends, neighbors, and co-workers. It will be a great bike from Dick Sonne's Cycle and Fitness!!!!

A special "THANK-YOU" to Dan Z. for donating his recent 50/50 winnings to Relay and Ride For Missing Children.

For more info regarding these "fun"draisers, joining our team, or helping out, contact Ron Geiskopf 732-5926 or Pat O'Hara 525-7288. Ski You Later!!!

BOILERMAKER Volunteer Deadline is APRIL 17

Volunteers needed again for the boilermaker road race stated for July 14th. Most everything is the same EXCEPT this year you must fill out a liability waiver. It can be paper which I will have or on line. These must be in before the race. For on line waiver, go to www.boilermaker.com, click on "volunteer411" up on top, click on "existing volunteer", click on "apply now", scroll down to and click on the committee-(WS ge ski club), verify committee head (me - Andy Reath) click on "volunteer for this job", fill out form, read waiver, Click "I agree", and "sign up".

No waiver, - no party invite, no T-shirt or pin. **SIGN UP DEADLINE - APRIL 17.**

You still must e-mail me if you are going to work. I need name, address, T-shirt size. If you are on the list from last year and nothing has changed from last year, just let me know. New volunteers must give me all the information.

Volunteers are requested to be at the waterstop, corner of Whitesboro St and Cherry St, West Utica, at 6:30 AM for set up. Race route streets will start to be closed 6 - 6:30 AM. The race this year has a two hour time limit. We may get to hear more of the band and get some food and beer for a change. The pre race volunteer party is Friday(7/12) night. You will get your tickets for that in the mail about a week before. T-shirts will be given out at the waterstop.

Any questions, e-mail me at andyrr@verizon.net

REMEMBER- SIGN UP DEADLINE - APRIL 17

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MAY

Bike Ride and Picnic

Saturday May 4th Bike Ride on the towpath between Forestport and Boonville. There will be some short but challenging Hills along the way. Afterwards, we can picnic at Erwin Park under a pavilion. **Meet 9:15 AM** at the bank in Mapledale. Regroup at Erwin Park in Boonville. This trip is a Tramp & Trail Club ride. For more information, Please call Paul Fortin @ 767-9708.

Sunday May 5th – Tom O'Hara is planning a Day of Golf – Info to Follow

Wednesday, May 8th-Dine for a Cause night at 99 Restaurant between 5pm-10pm. Grab your friends, co-workers, family and enjoy some great food. 99 donates 15% to our team to support the Cancer Society. Flyer with voucher in the May newsletter or ask Ron Geiskopf or Pat O'Hara when you see them this month.

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Sunday May 19th - Kathy Green is Planning another Golf Day- More Info later on

JUNE

7th Annual Doug O'Hara Memorial Open

Saturday June 1st with tee time at 2pm. Cost per person is \$35 which includes 9 holes of golf, cart, and food (\$35 total-\$30 for golf and \$5 for relay donation) Heron Creek will again be the host course for this event which is located in Kirkland. Call Wayne at 939-0733 if you have any questions.

Sunday June 30th - **Our Beach Party will be at Hinckley State Park more info coming...**

**THE RIDE
FOR MISSING CHILDREN**



RIDE FOR MISSING CHILDREN

Friday, May 17, 2013

On Friday May 17 is Jim and I will going on the ride again. This is Jim's 14th year and my 12th. We are looking for donation to meet our goal. Each rider has to raise \$500 or 2,000 posters. PLEASE HELP US BY DONATING TO THIS MOST WORTHY CAUSE.

Checks made payable to NCMEC-MV-NY. 100% of the funds raised go towards the printing and distribution of posters of missing children, education and to continue the mission of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. Our supporters have

help print over 8,146,203 posters on 8,419 missing children and 6,044 have been recovered. Give yourselves a big hand. Please consider making a donation. And thank you for helping make our children safer " one child at a time" If you have any questions please call Kathy 853-5946.

XC Ski Package for Sale - Brand New Boots and Bindings, Size 6 Black boots women. "World Tour", black with stripes skis. and poles. \$120 for package. Contact Mike Semeraro at 794-4907

Volunteers Needed

This spring we will have Elections of Club Officers for the 2013-2014 year. Please consider helping out your club in one of the positions listed below. With a little bit of your time and some planning you will help us continue our great success in having some fine trips and activities for another year.

You may nominate anyone including yourself for any position. Nominations will be due in March. Three volunteers are needed for the Election Committee who will help contact potential nominees to be placed on the ballot. They will also 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 NY Capital District Ski Council And Other Ski Clubs.

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).

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Responsible For Greeting Members And Collecting Monies At General Meetings. Assist The Treasurer.

**NOMINATIONS OF SKI CLUB OFFICERS
FOR THE 2013-2014 YEAR**

ALL NOMINATIONS MUST BE IN THE CLUB'S P O BOX BY MARCH 19th or BROUGHT TO THE MARCH 19^h MEETING

SEND ATTN: NOMINATIONS
FORMS GE SKI CLUB
TO: P O BOX 327
 NEW HARTFORD NY 13413

ALL NOMINEES MUST BE CURRENT MEMBERS OF THE GE SKI CLUB. NOMINEES WILL BE CONTACTED BEFORE THEIR NAME IS PLACED ON THE ELECTION BALLOT

CHAIRPERSON
POSITION

PRESIDENT _____

VICE PRESIDENT _____

TREASURER _____

SECRETARY _____

MEMBERSHIP _____

TRIPS _____

SOCIAL _____

NEWSLETTER _____

PUBLICITY _____

CROSS-COUNTRY _____

ALPINE _____

**SARGENT
AT ARMS** _____

Ski Trip Policy

This document acknowledges that the primary purpose of a ski trip is to provide the opportunity to ski for trip participants and that purpose will not be infringed upon.

Circumstances may occasionally arise that would necessitate changing trip plans. It may be necessary at times to change trip plans to provide for the ultimate safety of trip participants. An occasion may be, but not limited to, impending severe weather. If such a situation occurs a vote to change plans will take place. Each participant will have one vote. A simple majority will decide the outcome. The trip chairperson will abide by the decision and inform all participants of the change in plans. In the event of a tie vote the trip chairperson will make the final decision. Any failure of a participant to abide by the decision may result in the loss of future trip privileges for the offender (board to decide length of ban) if their actions result in adverse effects to the group. In all cases the transportation provider will have final say on departure times.

To be perfectly clear this document cannot be used to alter plans for a situation such as, but not limited to, poor ski conditions. Plans could however be altered for any reason by a unanimous vote of all participants.

Additionally, all ski trips will begin at the designated departure time. The board does recognize that occasionally there may be extenuating circumstances. If a trip member/party is running late they may call the trip chairperson to explain the reason for being late. Trip participants may agree to wait up to 20 minutes for the late member.

Absent a phone call, the bus will leave at the designated departure time regardless of who is present. A member may be granted the late excuse once in a trip season, after that the bus will not wait for that individual/party again.

**G.E.Ski Club
Multi-Day Ski Trip Feedback**

Dates _____

Location _____

Please rate each facet of the trip using the 1-5 scale below

(Low = Poor) 1 2 3 4 5 (High = Great)

Trip Organization _____

Price _____

Transportation

Accommodations _____

 Airline _____

 Bus _____

Quality of Skiing _____

Variety of Skiing _____

Do you prefer Condos or Hotels? _____

Would you like to go on a trip out West next year? _____

 If so, where? _____

Comments/Recommendations _____

Please mail this back to: Attn: Feedback, GE Ski Club, PO Box 327, New Hartford, NY 13413



G. E. Ski Club Inc.

3/26/13

Events for 2013 winter season

Capital District Ski Council- Ski Days*

| Mountain | Amount | Date |
|--------------|--------|----------------------------|
| WHITEFACE * | \$38 | Apr 1 |
| KILLINGTON * | \$37 | Apr 12 Apr 13 Apr 14 |
| | | |

****MUST SHOW CURRENT MEMBERSHIP CARD TO GET THESE RATES**

NOTE: Events or dates may change due to conflicts, weather, snow conditions or other circumstances beyond our control

SPECIALS & DEALS – as we know at this time-subject to change

WHITEFACE- Super Sundays-\$40 -4/7

* (Weekends, mid week may be lower, some places may be non holiday)