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General Membership Meetings

Are held at the Elks Club 1315 Champlin Ave. Utica NY 13502

Meetings are at 6:30 PM on the 4th Tuesday of SEPT., and the 3rd Tuesday of every month from *October to April.*

GUESTS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

*Any member wishing to submit a Newsletter Article must submit content to the President for approval prior to the **20th** of the month. If approved, it will be in the next month's newsletter.*

All Forms (i.e. membership, trip, and waivers) can also be found on the website at http://www.geskiclub.org/pdfs/memapp.pdf

Board Meetings

Board Officers' meeting is held the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm at the Dunham Public Library in Whitesboro. General members wishing to bring anything up to the Board are welcome – please contact the President to be placed on the agenda.

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Note: to view pictures of club events go to the GE Ski Club Facebook page and click on photos then click on the album that you would like to view.

If not on Facebook, go to the www.geskiclub.org website. Go to the photos page and click on the link at top to be taken to the GE Ski Club Facebook Albums page.

Also check out the Council Websites for additional trips that they are sponsoring:

New York Capital District Ski Council: http://www.nycdsc.org

New Jersey Ski and Snowboard Council: http://www.njssc.org

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2017-2018

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HAPPY HOURS
(5:30 pm for Happy Hour)

October	November
October 13th --- Black Cat Utica	Nov 10th 69 Steak House Oriskany Blvd Whitesboro
October 27th --- Utica Curling Club Clark Mills Rd Whitesboro	Nov 24th Village Tavern Clinton also Annual Village Stroll

NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT
October 2017

Hello Club members and friends,

We're getting closer…

Closer to our meetings again; come join us and socialize a bit; Open at 6:30pm, meeting at 7pm.

Closer to the famous "WARREN MILLER" Movie at the Stanley; November 16th at 5pm!

Closer to the Falling Leaves…are you starting to get in shape for the season?

Closer to the Club Winery Tour; Oct. 22nd. Call/email Rosemary: 315-735-8842 or *membership@geskiclub.org*

At least one Trip is full, others are open like our trip to ITALY. Sign up soon to keep it alive!

We now have added, MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL via an On-Line method in addition to Renewal of Membership in person at the Membership meeting. Look for the article in this Newsletter.

Did you know that we will NOT be charging for admission to Member meetings! Come join us! Plus, we still have door prizes and the 50/50 Raffle. Come on in. BRING a friend and introduce them to the club and show them the TRIP Table. Give them a copy of the Club Events sheet for this season.

Reminder: When we have events that require a bus or a Room to rent (banquets) please try to sign up early so we know if we can keep the event to reasonable costs. Sometimes we have to cancel buses and that is sad for all.

If you see our club on Facebook please "LIKE" our Facebook page or even SHARE it; it generates more advertising every time someone "Likes" or "SHARES" our page.

Thanks! See you all soon…!
Tom Lazzaro

New this Ski Season

Effective our September 26th meeting there is no charge to attend!!!

It will cost you nothing to get into the meeting!

Our annual membership dues are now $25 for renewing Adult members.

New members will remain at $10 with a $10 voucher and Junior members will also remain at $10!

We have the lowest membership fee compared to other ski clubs!

Your membership fee pays for the Elks Club rental, printing materials, and membership in the New Jersey and the Capital District Councils, etc.!

Please come and join us and let's have FUN!

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Now members can renew their ski club membership online!

No need to fill out the membership form, just go to the membership page at www.geskiclub.org/html/mem.html, read the important terms, choose your membership option and click **BUY NOW**.

Credit card or paypal account payments are processed securely on the Paypal website.

Members still have the option to pay by check or cash at meetings or by mail.

The club is running its traditional Wine/Beer trip!!!!

THE DATE: Sun Oct 22 Cost: $55

Leaves: 7:30 AM from the DOT parking lot, N. Genesee across from the Aqua Vino Restaurant.

We have a bus so don't plan on bringing your car!!!

We've done the west and east sides of Cayuga & Seneca. Now we're headed for Keuka and Hammondsport. It's going to be one of the most memorable wine trips. (Hint: we are going to stop at 'Bully Hill'. Bully Hill is not on the published wine trails. And then there are a couple of breweries we have our eye on.)

Contact: Rosemary: 315-735-8842 or 315-567-8839
Wayne: 315-725-4002

Save the Date

Christmas Party

December 16, 2017

@ Aqua Vino Restaurant

Cocktails 6 PM

Dinner 7 PM

Details regarding menu and prices to follow

G E SKI CLUB EVENTS 2017 / 18 as of 8/18/17

Ski club events* 17/18	COUNCIL SKI DAYS*** (17/18 schedule) For full list, see NYCDSC council web site
9/26 Tues. FIRST ski club meeting	**Mount Snow**: 12/22-12/25 $39, 12/26 $49, 1/15 $59, 1/26 $42, 1/27-28 $53, 2/9 $42, 2/10-11 $53, 2/12-16 $42, 2/20-23 $49, 3/2 $42, 3/3-4 $53,
10/20-22, Ski Co. sale – N Y State fairgrounds	**Belleayre:** 12/9-10, 1/27, 2/24, 3/17-18 $38
10/22 - Wine tour	**GORE-**
11/3-5 –Albany Ski Show	
12/7-10 Thurs-Sun - Bombers Clinic- **STOWE**	**OAK-**
12/16 Sat ***CHRISTMAS PARTY!***	**STOWE-**
1/1/18 Mon. Ski day –SNOW RIDGE	**PICO-**
1/7- Sun. Ski Bus- GORE	**OKEMO-**
1/15 Mon. Ski day – ROYAL Mt.	**KILLINGTON-**
	HUNTER-
1/21 Sun. Ski day – McCauley Mt	**SUGARBUSH**- 12/13-17 $50, 1/1-1/7, $52 (M-F), $60 (Sat)
1/28 Sun. Ski bus – Gore Mt	**Butternut-**
2/2-9 Fri-Fri week trip- Telluride	**CATAMOUNT-**
	BOLTON VALLEY-
2/11 Ski bus - GORE Mt.	**Whiteface**
2/25 Ski day – OAK Mt	**MOUNTAIN SPECIALS**
3/4 Ski Bus – GORE Mt.	
3/9-20 Week trip - ITALY	TOGGENBURG- Over 80-ski free, Military ID- $20 anytime. Lift, lunch, lesson- Adult -Tues/Thurs, $30/35; Sr.- M/W/F, $20/25.
3/24-27 Bus trip – Quebec, Stonham, Mt St Anne, Le Massif	
3/30-4/1 Ski & Brew fest, Smugglers Notch	
? spring ski picnic TBD	**EMPIRE CARD**-WHITEFACE-GORE-BELLEAVRE $99 -1st day free, 6th day free, 50% off mid week, 25% off weekends/holidays.
? April – spring banquet	
	O.R.D.A- coke wed(non holiday) $, any coke product (whiteface, gore, -bellearye-)
	McCauley, Non holiday Fridays, $12

For all G E club trips, you must be a member and a trip form must be completed for each event.

* Events and dates may be changed, added or delegated, depending on snow conditions, weather or other circumstances beyond our control, without notice.

Ski club discounts –
Lift ticket prices--Snow Ridge $25; McCauley $20, Oak $28, Toggenburg $30- savings $20, Catamount- M-F $20, Greek Peak- $49, Royal- 2 for 1. ***

*** Must show ski club card & possible photo I D

If you didn't have a good reason to check out skiing at Gore you do now!!!!

GORE MOUNTAIN IMPROVEMENTS

For more info go to: **http://www.goremountain.com/mountain/about-us/mountain-improvements**

Envision a brand-new mid-mountain experience at the Saddle Lodge. The size of the space is more than doubling to 7,125 square feet, and occupancy is increasing from the current limit of 100 people to 238. Between runs, treat yourself to your choice of a full-service or food court style meal, and dine in front of a spectacular showcase of the Adirondack High Peaks. Updates to the Saddle Lodge include an attractively styled vernacular, an expanded and updated kitchen to serve a larger, more creative menu, new bathrooms, and an approachable façade and lobby area upon entry. The fully renovated Saddle Lodge will offer guests an appealing lunch alternative to the Base Lodge Food Court and Tannery Pub & Restaurant.

Gore Bus

1/7 1/28 2/11 3/4

Prices went up but we are continuing our 2017 Prices

Adult $85

Seniors/Juniors $75

Bus Only $40

Leave DOT parking lot at 6:45, stop at Keybank, Barneveld, leave to return approx 4:30 to 5

Must reserve 2 weeks ahead or bus will be canceled.

Check plus trip form mailed to: GE Ski Club, POB 347, New Hartford, NY 13413

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richardforsti@gmail.com

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Telluride Colorado

2/2 to 2/9, 2018 $1670 per person

Includes roundtrip air to Montrose, and scenic ride to Telluride, 7 nights at the Mountainside Inn (ski in walk out) located in the charming old west town of Telluride. We will enjoy the outdoor hot tub, close grocery store (rooms have kitchenettes), and free town shuttle to the restaurants and shops.

The gondola connecting the historic town and the mountain village runs until midnight! Telluride combines outstanding skiing with stunning scenery. There is plenty of advanced terrain for our expert skiers while 50% of trails are beginner and intermediate.

Lift tickets for 5 of 7 days!

<A dinner/party will be served to all>

Return of unused airline seats is October 25!
Do not delay!
$400 + trip form at signup; $400 due 10/1; $400 due 11/1; balance due 12/1

Contact: Chris Sowalskie 315 939-4374 skihard76@msn.com
or Dick Forsti 315 735-8842 richardforsti@gmail.com

Send to GE SKI Club, POB 327, New Hartford, NY 13413

Italy 3/10 - 3/20

www.valdifassa.com

First there will be a pre-trip party at the Forsti's. On the day of our departure we will take a bus to Newark and fly Swiss Air nonstop to Venice. (Swiss Air accepts skis/boards, poles, helmets and boots free!) We will be skiing/boarding the Dolomites of Italy for 7 days and touring Venice for 3 days. Our hotel in Val di Fassa is a 4 STAR hotel. Our hotel serves **7 buffet breakfasts** and **7 superb dinners!!**

Our stay includes a welcome party, evening entertainment and music by Maurizo, free Wi Fi, and daily tea time snack between 4 and 5 PM. Their Wellness Center includes a swimming pool, Turkish bath, Krauter bio sauna, tepidarium and tropical showers. www.alpenhotelcorona.com Free Ski Shuttle to cable car 200 yards away. Reduced bus pass to other ski areas. Free tour guides provided by the hotel to help each person maximize their ability with skiing.

Then it's on to a fabulous 4 star hotel in Venice situated right on a canal. http://www.hotelbonvecchiati.it/ Includes buffet breakfast, service tax and Wi Fi. (Does not include city tax of 4.50 Euros per person per day & water taxi fee for extra bags beyond one per person - 12 Euros & tips)

Cost

Non-skiers - $2,075

5 day Dolomiti Superski Senior (born before Nov 26, 1952)	$295
6 day Dolomiti Superski Senior (born before Nov 26, 1952)	$340
5 day Dolomiti Superski Adult lift ticket	$330
6 day Dolomiti Superski Adult lift ticket	$378

$500 Down with sign up plus a trip form sent to Dick Forsti, 1728 Sherman Dr. Utica, NY 13501 $525 due Oct 1 $525 due Nov 1 $525 due Dec 1 Cost of Ski tickets due Jan1

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MARCH 24- 27 (Sat to Tues)

A Trip designed for skiers/boarders and sightseers**. Quebec City!!!**
We're staying at the Fairmont Le Chateau Frontenac.

If you ski/board we will do Mont-Sainte-Anne, Stoneham, and Le Massif! When the bus returns from skiing there will be sightseeing and nightlife in the old city of Quebec.

Cost: Non Skiers - $440

Senior Skier (65+) add $135

Adult Skier add $154 (*If you wish less ski days, it can be arranged.*)

$200 and a "trip form" mailed to Dick Forsti, 1728 Sherman Dr. Utica, NY 13501 by Jan 15, balance due Mar 1.

Questions? Dick Forsti 315-735-8842 richardforsti@gmail.com
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Brewfest

Smugglers' Notch, Vermont
Mar 30 – Apr 1, 2018
Music, munchies, prizes and microbrews!

Sampling over 25 varieties of the best regional beers New England offers

2 nights accommodations
indoor pool & hot tubs

Saturday night Brewfest
3 Day Lift ticket (including day of arrival)

Cost: $199 (Note: this is a car pool event)

Imbibers should sign up with trip form & send $199 to GE Ski Club, PO Box 347, New Hartford, NY 134132 NLT FEB 15

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Trip Agreement Form, Waiver and Refund Policy

1. **Each participant shall *read*** and completely fill out all parts of the Trip Form.
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, *or child* of a member of the G E Ski Club Inc. (The Club). *Any children on a trip MUST be with their parent(s) or legal guardian who are club members.*
4. All deposits and payments should 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 G E Ski Club**. Send to 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 or children. If roommate listed does not sign up, one will be assigned as best as can be arranged. If no roommate is found or is refused, single $ rates may apply.
8. Each participant is completely and individually responsible for his or her own, or their accompanying children's, actions during all trips or events and bears the burden of liabilities thereof.
9. Each participant (and accompanying children) holds The Club and officers harmless and waives all right of regress for any liability whatsoever that may arise during the course of a trip or event.
   Each participant and heirs know and agree, that any sport, event, or trip is inherently hazardous and as such could result in PERSONAL CATASTROPHIC INJURY, DEATH, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE; and that they or their accompanying children, do participate at their own risk. The participants' release the club from any and all liability per the signed membership application and by signing this agreement & waiver.

CANCELATION and Refund Policy

1. The Club reserves the right to cancel any trip or event at any time for any reason. In that case, the Club will make every effort to recover monies paid out to vendors and refund to participants per this policy.
2. Each participant is responsible for the individual cost of any trip they have signed up for and do not show.
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 any administrative costs and trip expenses incurred by the club on their behalf for said trip. If applicable, any monies that can be recouped from vendors or others will be refunded per refund policy.
5. Any refunds due for a participant cancellation after the first deposit Date/Deadline, or event/trip cancelled by the club, or for any other reason, can 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)_____Today's Date_____**For trip**_____

Signature_____ Membership #_____

ADDRESS: _____ Room mates/child_____

_____ _____

Adult____ Jr____ Sr____ passport #_____

DATE OF BIRTH____/____/____ E-MAIL:_____

Room Request – DBL_____ Other_____ type – Downhill_____ X-C_____

PHONES-(Home)_____ (Work) _____ (Cell) _____

Emergency contact – Name_____ phone_____

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

Pay#		Date	Ck#/cash	$ Amount	Ck# /cash	$ Amount	Comments	Trip Chair
1	5							
2	6							
3	7							
4	8							

Cancelled _____ Date _____ Refund-Amt$ _____ Date _____ REV.08-24-17 ARR

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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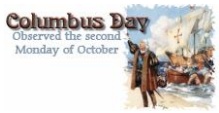
8	9 	10 Board Meeting	11	12	13 Social Hour Black Cat	14
15	16	17 Member Meeting	18	19	20 SKI CO. SALE	21 SKI CO. SALE
22 Wine/Beer tasting SKI CO. SALE	23	24	25	26	27 Social Hour Utica Curling Club	28
29	30	31				

November 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 Albany Ski Show	4 Albany Ski Show
5 Albany Ski Show	6	7	8	9	10 Social Hour 69 Steak House	11
12	13	14 Board Meeting	15	16 Warren Miller Film @ the Stanley	17	18
19	20	21 Member Meeting	22	23 	24 Social Hour Village Tavern Clinton (annual X-Mas Stroll)	25
26	27	28	29	30		