



THE NH SKI CLUB NEWSLETTER

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We don't just ski!

President's Message

by Kevin Reigstad



Thursday became Friday, here I am late at night, crunch time to pack for our Club trip to South Lake Tahoe beginning early Saturday morning with two flights out of Boston Logan. We're leaving behind a fresh, thick blanket of snow over our own New England mountains (good for y'all!) to wing our way across the country to Heavenly's recent 20 inches of snow. Yes, it can be heavenly. No, it's not enough (never enough) snow. This is the 2nd time in a month I've traveled out west leaving new powdah behind. Dang. But we shouldn't feel bad when we do fly off. You know what I mean. Our Snowbird tripsters just experienced it, and our Lake Tahoe tripsters will too. We'll have spectacular mountain views, bluebird skies, miles and acres of trails, bowls, trees, and bumps which we can't quite recreate here. In my earlier February escape to Colorado, with little fresh snow on the ground, ungroomed trails became mogul fields and in time became sharp-edged VW Bug size moguls...it was exhausting in addition to thrilling. We found outlets in the trees. Snow snakes lived there; I'm telling you. We found 5 fresh inches of snow, steps, and some untracked snow down a 'mountain goat' path at Arapahoe Basin, on our best day of the trip. I got the t-shirt. A Rocky Mountain high. I love New England. I'll be back up to ski it many more days this season. Snow willing. There is McIntyre Tubing and Lonesome Lake Moonlight Hike outings too. Not the time to rest yet.

The Board of Directors has decided to hear NH Ski Club-led western USA and Canada trips at the 26 April Board Meeting. Please contact me if you are interested. We have few rules, but one is these trip leaders must have previously led weekend or week-long trips. We hope our trip leaders find personal satisfaction in leading a trip, but we also help ensure their effort is compensated (with the trip free for themselves). More experienced trip leaders on the board are reviewing the Trip Leader Guidelines to ensure they are up-to-date and helpful. They will be complete by the 26 April Board Meeting.

Important Notice

If any trip leaders are considering a week-long trip, the Board of Directors is planning to hear and approve these NH Ski Club-led trips at the 26 April board meeting. Please contact Kevin if you would like to propose a trip. Trip leaders must have previously led weekend or week-long trips.

Club Calendar

Mar 9	Club meeting
Mar 12	Snow Tubing
Mar 17	Sunday River Weekend
Mar 19	Lonesome Lake Hike
Mar 25	Smuggler's Notch Weekend
Apr 1	Sugarloaf Weekend

News and Events

NHSC Monthly Meeting - Wednesday, March 9

We are settling into our New Location for the NHSC Monthly Meeting!

Wednesday, March 9 [Chunky's Cinema Pub 707 Huse Road Manchester, NH.](#)

Arrive 5:00-5:30 pm for dinner. *Social Hour 6:00pm* The NHSC Meeting begins at 7:00pm

Getting used to our new Protocol - Where to go: As you enter the foyer, the ticket counter greets you as you enter the door. ALL members and guests must check in at the ticket counter upon arrival. You will receive a ticket stating **Theater #1**. This gives Chunky's an accurate headcount which is needed. Going right, you come to the **Lobby Bar**. The bar has sit around seating and high top tables. The bar has a good beer, wine, and signature cocktail menu with a Pub Burger Sandwich and Appetizer Menu.

Theater #1 + Restrooms: Take a left at the ticket counter to enter the main corridor to all Theaters. Theater #1 is the 1st right, just after the restrooms. Ordering Food in Theater: There are QR codes on the tables in the theater. Those of you who know how to do so, can order food & beverages, and pay via your cell phones, from their table! Members and guests may also obtain a menu and red blinky light, at the ticket counter. To get the wait staff's attention, activate the blinking red lights by pushing the button. If running a tab, make sure you know your table location # so the wait staff can continue to work with you.

If you've not been to Chunky's, check out their website [here](#) for menu and FAQ.

When you register online/NHSkiClub.org for the meeting indicate if you will be eating dinner at Chunky's. This registration will assist Chunky's in providing adequate waitstaff. Help us out here, please.

President Kevin Riegstad is back from his ski trip getaway. He will be conducting the meeting at Chunky's. Invite your acquaintances, friends and coworkers who are thinking about joining this fantastic outdoor adventure group. Our meetings are open to the public. If you can't make it to Chunky's in person, you can ZOOM the meeting. Make sure to register on our website so that you too can be eligible for the raffle drawings.

Snow Tubing at McIntyre

March 12 at 5:30 pm

Event Details: 15 minimum Tubers, 20+ can pre-register - Guests OK WE MUST HAVE THE MINIMUM OF 15 TUBERS TO GET THE \$26.00 GROUP RATE, or the event will be canceled. Regular rate is \$30.00 for 2 hours of tubing.

1. You must pre-register, prior to 3/9.
2. Download, print and fill out the Tubing Release of Liability Waiver form. with payment of a \$26.00 check made out to: NH Ski Club. The waiver can be downloaded and printed from: <https://www.mcintyreskiarea.com/tubing-waiver-of-liability/>
3. **Mail payment and waiver to the Trip Organizer prior to March 9. NO late registrations will be accepted.** Mail to: Nancy Keenom Caron 1465 Hooksett Road Unit #1016 Hooksett, NH 03106-1821 OR Bring to the 3/9 Monthly meeting at Chunky's Cinema Pub.

Meet Time: Check-In at 5:30pm! Be early, or on time. Tickets will be issued at Check-In. Tubing Time: 6-8pm Bar open for liquid libation in the lodge after Tubing.

What to Bring: Wear warm ski clothes, pants, jacket, hat mittens and snow/hiking boots. Optional: wear your ski helmet!

Please understand that this is a group registration for this snow tubing activity. The protocol has been set by McIntyre's Events/Group Sales. As per McIntyre: Deposits collected are non-refundable. If the event is canceled by McIntyre, they will make every effort to reschedule.

I can cancel the event within 48 hours. I will not be paying McIntyre until 3/10, 24 hours prior to. Deposits are non-refundable - A replacement would have to take your spot if you have any reason to cancel. If you have any questions or concerns, please call Nancy KC 603-533-7576.

Looking forward to seeing you on "The Hill".

Evening Hike to Lonesome Lake Hut, Franconia Notch

Tom Cronin

This is a late afternoon End of Winter Hike to the AMC Lonesome Lake Hut taking place on Saturday March 19th. Tom Cronin will be coordinating this adventure. Meet at the Lonesome Lake Trailhead parking located at the Lafayette Place Campground parking area in the heart of Franconia Notch State Park by 4:00pm to prepare for a 4:30pm departure. If traveling from the South, you can park at either the Bridal Path Parking lot (Northbound side) or stay on Rte 93 thru Franconia Notch for 2 more miles turning around at Cannon Mountain Tramway exit to reverse direction, then park at Lafayette Place CG lot. Winter hiking conditions could prevail, so preparations including, full winter gear/clothing layers including traction devices for your boots, ski poles or trek poles, headlamp and an extra light source and extra pair of gloves are required.

We will plan to ascend the Lonesome Lake Trail starting at (4:30pm) and should arrive at the Hut by roughly 5:30pm. If you have never winter hiked before, this is a good trip to try it out.

The route up will be the Lonesome Lake Trail. The AMC Lonesome Lake Hut is open all winter long 24/7 and they typically light the wood stove in the evenings and always offer hot water for coffee, tea, hot chocolate mixes and small snacks for a small fee. There bathroom facilities at the hut are unheated outdoor pit toilets.

After a brief respite at the hut to refresh and adjust clothing layers, we will complete the 1/2 mile hike around the lake perimeter (conditions pending) and then hike back down the Lonesome Lake Trail.

If you have any questions, feel free to give me a call or text 603-560-2024 or eMail. And on the morning of Sat. the 19th, if the weather is stormy with a predictable bad forecast, then we'll probably cancel by 10am on that day of the hike by posting on this website. If the trip is a go, we'll take our chances with weather conditions as "Notch Weather" is always unpredictable.

McIntyre Racing

Nancy KC

McIntyre Racing was canceled Tuesday, 2/22/2022 due to the predicted rain of the day. I visited "The Hill" that morning to still see snow. The groomer was working the slopes! NO RACING Tuesday, March 1 due to NH School Vacation week. The last and 6th night of racing for our 49 NHSC Members of the 7 race teams will be Tuesday, 3/8. The Awards Banquet, with multiple raffle ticket winners, will be held on Tuesday, March 15th at 6pm.

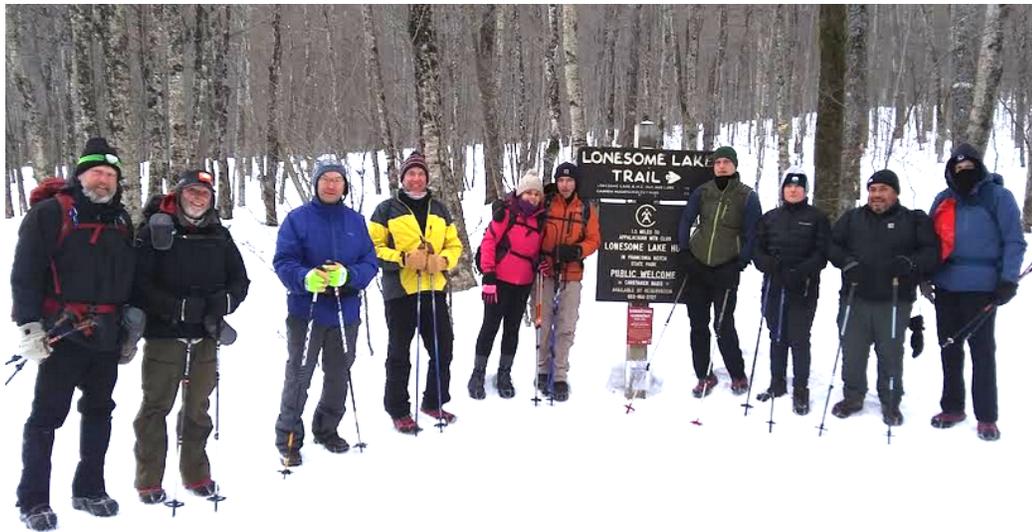
Gunstock Racing News

Kathy Jacobs

Week 6 was rained out and we were pushed out 1 week. Slope Slayers are holding their own and are in 9th place for the season. Top point getters are Greg Pearsall, Alyssa Freeman and Paul Rich, Jr. Jon Crowell is also a top point getter from the club. Gate Crashers are now in 11th position. Hopefully, Week 7 will have a majority of the team on the course and we can move up. Top point getters for gate crashers are Mary Beth Hulbert, Cindy Jenson and Fred Myhaver. Two more races and then the final ski off which is expected to be held on March 10th. Think Snow!!

NH Ski Club Lonesome Lake Feb Moonlight Hike

Tom Cronin



On a cold February evening, a hearty group of 11 hikers consisting of NH Ski Club Members and their invited guests, headed to Franconia Notch for a moonlight night hike up the Lonesome Lake trail to the AMC Hut. The 1.5 mile hike to the hut took about an hour. Upon arrival the group was pleased to enter a warm toasty hut nicely heated by a wood stove. A group of Boy Scouts from the South Shore of Massachusetts on their annual winter adventure had reserved the entire hut for the 3 day weekend. Although the Scouts filled the Hut, they kindly welcomed us all in. In addition to the warm welcome, they offered us their leftover dinner and dessert. Since they had already eaten and had their fill, they were glad others showed up to help them finish their gourmet dinner so they would not have to pack down the leftovers. We understood their dilemma and we all did our best to help them out. The food was delicious,

and some in our group were already penciling in a night hike for next February 19th, 2023 to meet up with the Scouts again.



After leaving the hut our group completed the 1/2 mile loop around the Lake perimeter trail before hiking down. We finished the hike and were back to our cars in the usual 3 hours. Check out the NH Ski Club's event list for the next moonlight hike to the Lonesome Lake Hut, on Saturday March 19th, 2022. See you in the woods!

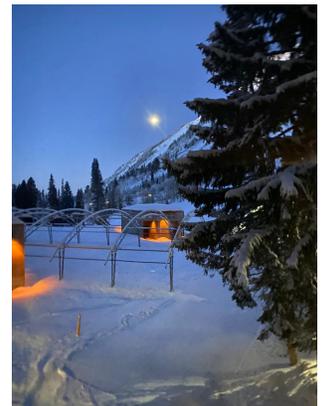
Snowbird, Utah

Nancy KC



44 NHSC Tripsters had a fantastic trip to Snowbird from February 12-19th. We started each day with the breakfast buffet to greet one another and plan our ski day. Then off to our boot lockers to Ski In - Ski out, hitting the slopes. Conditions were very good and upgraded to excellent with 6" of fresh powder on Wednesday. Many of us skied the breathtaking sights of Snowbird, Mineral Basin and Alta. There were great lodges to meet for lunch and warm up. We had most of our amenities at the Cliff Lodge where we all stayed. Apres Ski - many of us met at the outdoor pool and the hot tubs. A spa day was enjoyed by many by taking a yoga class, a massage, the steam room, sauna and

soaking in the pools up on the roof, or shopping! Dinner in town was within walking distance to a variety of restaurants. The final night's dinner brought us all together one last time to enjoy our menu choice of lamb shank, salmon or chicken. We had a few more bumps and bruises than was ever expected.... All are healing well. This trip was a long time coming with last year's Telluride covid cancellation. It certainly was worth the wait. Thank you to all the tripsters for making this a phenomenal lifetime experience. Trip Leaders: Nancy KC and Patty Norton.



Ski Trips

St. Patrick's Day at Sunday River

Trip Leader: Jill Dinsmore

March 17-20, 2022

\$410 per person

870 acres on 135 trails across 8 peaks! Night skiing is an option! Sunday River is known for great snow and great times in March. Join us for another epic time! Enjoy good music, beautiful views and adult beverages at a prime selection of Après Ski locales.

Trip Price includes:

- 3 nights at the Grand Summit Lodge- room options: Studio Deluxe and Standard Hotel room
- 3 days skiing or boarding
- Cocktail reception and New England BBQ on Friday
- Heated outdoor pool and hot tub

Trip and Lift rates:

- Trip cost \$410 (Studio Deluxe or Standard Hotel) without lift pass
- \$630 with 3 day lift pass, Deduct \$45 for Senior Discount
- \$570 with 2 day lift pass, Deduct \$40 for Senior Discount

Note: You must MAIL your application with the deposit to Jill Dinsmore to complete your reservation. Cancellation and refund policy: There are no refunds for the trip except if you find a replacement, then you will be reimbursed upon request. For more information see the cancellation/refund policy on our website. Questions: Jill Dinsmore, jpdinsmore@hotmail.com or 603-930-9182

Smugglers' Notch Ski and Brewfest

Trip Leader: Nancy Harlow

March 25-27, 2022

\$295/395 per person

★ **One spot available for a female who wants to stay 3 nights. Cost \$395**

Ski 78 trails across 3 interconnected mountains on North Vermont's Biggest Vertical Rise, 2610 Feet plus acres of woods between trails. Entry to Brewfest Saturday night - Music, munchies, prizes, and samples of some of Vermont's outstanding Micro Brews! Enjoy an indoor pool, hot tub, ice skating, tubing Hill and access to FUNZONE 2.0

Trip Price includes:

- 2 Night Lodging in 2 bedroom slope side condos with fully equipped kitchen, large living/dining area, fireplace and cable TV (4 people per condo)
- 3 Night option \$395.00 pp if arriving Thursday night.
- 3 Day Lift Ticket- Friday, Saturday, Sunday
- 2 Buffet Breakfasts
- Meet and Greet Friday Night
- Brewfest Entry Saturday Night

Questions: Nancy Harlow nancyeharlow@gmail.com or 862-209-0535

Sugarloaf April Fools Day Trip
April 1-3, 2022 with March 31 add-on available.

Trip Leader: Cindy Jenson

- ★ **We can take up to 6 more people, staying in the hotel. Must sign up and pay by March 3. Contact Cindy Jenson at 207-314-5748 with questions and to arrange payment.**

Pricing is a la carte:

1. Base package \$104 for all tripsters for Friday Happy Hour with Appetizers and Premium Bar. Includes 1 drink. Saturday buffet dinner with premium bar. 1 drink included.
2. Lift Tickets: \$115 for 2 day Sat-Sun lift ticket. Additional days are \$55.
3. Hotel and Condo options are available. You pick the type of room and roommates and determine cost per person.

Sugarloaf is an Ikon Mountain/Boyne Resort.

Click <https://nhskiclub.org/event-4564651> to sign up. Send completed registration form with checks made out to NH Ski Club to Cindy Jenson 37 Ladds Lane #102 Epping, NH 03042.

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