



## THE NH SKI CLUB NEWSLETTER

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*We don't just ski!*

### President's Message by Kevin Reigstad



One more wakeup (as I write this) and I'll be on a very early airplane jetting to Jackson Hole, WY with many of you. So, I'm going to keep this brief. As you read this, we'll be blasting through deep powder in the trees, the bowls, the bumps and even on the groomers. To our cast coast eyes and sensibilities, JHMR's 410" season snow total and our welcome to WY with a new 7" of snow, it will be a crystalline heaven. Almost too much. I write this with a bit of apprehension as this week an avalanche killed a snowboarder in Teton County and last week a snowboarder perished in a tree well on JHMR. It's not how I want to die. Let's literally keep an eye on each other, on all terrain, and keep your Club whistle reachable.

I shake that out of my mind as I recall our fantastic weekend trip to Sugarloaf, ME, led by Jayne. The Saturday lift lines were a bit long, but why complain when it's simply good to be skiing. And we made the masked, somewhat socially distanced, 4pm Après outside the

Widowmaker work. The weather cooperated. The snow was fantastic. My last run on Sunday was the icing on the cake, skiing with Jayne down (Ski Tracks says) Bubblecuffer. A breathtaking run. Sugarloaf is 4 hours from home, but must go back soon.

I close this Message with a look towards 2022. Fingers crossed this pandemic will be over, allowing us more opportunities to get together. The Board of Directors will be accepting proposals for next year's Western ski trips at the April 27th Board meeting which starts at 6pm and is a Zoom meeting. As Troy told us in an email just today, to run a week-long trip, you need to have been a trip leader on a weekend trip. If you are interested, you can contact a Board Member for guidance.

Sweet dreams.

## Important Notices

### Procedure for 2021 Board of Directors Elections

Ballots will be distributed via email from our NHSkiClub.org website on March 3<sup>rd</sup>, one-week prior to the March 10<sup>th</sup> General Meeting. We recommend you complete and submit your ballot at your earliest convenience...do not wait until the voting closes 30 minutes into the March 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. The Board members tested the ballot process a couple of months ago and it worked great!

Please note the results of the voting is controlled by the Wild Apricot website and are not visible to anyone until the voting is closed.

**Questions???** Please contact Vic Snowdon. [NHSkiClub@Comcast.net](mailto:NHSkiClub@Comcast.net)

## Calendar

March 10	*Elections for board of directors at monthly meeting
March 13	*Tubing at McIntyre Ski Area
April 14	Monthly meeting
May 12	Monthly meeting

\* See newsletter for more info

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## News and Events

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### Candidates for Board of Directors for 2021-2023

#### President

##### Kevin Reigstad

I am honored to again be nominated for president of the NH Ski Club. If re-elected, I ask for your support during my term as president. I've been a club member for over eleven years, served as the president since June 2017, and served as an at-large board director the previous four years. During this time, the board has guided what we've done together and who we are...a vibrant, charitable, loving to have fun group, in an orderly way of course. My wife Patty is a club supporter, not a skier, joining me for the 'bombs and summer BBQ. We've met so many great people and made several wonderful friends. As your President, I aim to keep the club a welcoming home for long-time members, new members and those simply passing through to see what we're about. We are an adventuresome community, who can hardly wait for this pandemic to end. I encourage you to lead outings and trips (when we can), and if you have an idea, bring it to the board. I'm sure others would love to join you. I know I probably will. This is your club, and I would be honored to continue serving you as your president.

## Vice-President

### Jill Dinsmore

Hello NH Ski Club Members. I hope y'all are finding a way to enjoy the ski season even with all the whacky Covid restrictions. A little about myself... As a southern transplant the best advice I was given when I first moved to New Hampshire was if I was going to make it through the winters, I needed to find an outdoor activity. The first thing I did was learn to ski. I joined the ski club in 2015, I wanted to be around more people who also felt the love for being outdoors and swishing down the trails. My first trip was the Quebec City bus trip. I knew after this trip I was in the right place with the right people. I've been on many week, weekend and day trips with the club. They are always a blast. I skied a glacier in France...never thought I would do that! I joined the Pat's Peak race team...never did I think I would be on a ski race team. What I lack in skills and technique, I make up for with enthusiasm and attitude. The ski club has added much to my life: great friendships, adventures, and opportunities to give back to a community I love. As VP... I promise to keep an open mind when considering trips and activities. I hope to be added to the roster of great trip planners. I hope my contributions to the club will help ensure that all the fabulous trips and traditions are continued. I am the controller at a NH manufacturing company with excellent project management, planning and multi-tasking skills. Being from the south, I have excellent hospitality and diplomacy skills which are always useful! I want you to know I'm very appreciative for the nomination of VP. I feel honored to be considered. Never forget...we don't just ski! Cheers, Jillie

### Kathy Jacobs

Hello, I have been with the ski club for over 11 years. I joined the club because I was looking for some ski buddies. Well, I certainly found them. I have gone on many trips with the ski club, kayaked with the club, led the kayak trips on Winnisquam and participated in many other events. For those of you that don't know me, I have skied my entire life. I am a true New Hampshireite. I grew up in Berlin, went to UConn and stayed in Conn and Mass for awhile and then I came back to New Hampshire and raised my kids in Londonderry. I am semi-retired and live in my lake house in Laconia. (Everyone is always welcome to visit.) I have twin daughters and a son. I also have 3 grandchildren whom I adore and are the 4<sup>th</sup> generation in my family that is skiing. I have always been taught to give back to the community and the ski club community has done a lot for me as well as I have developed some amazing friendships. As the Vice President, I bring my life long project management and organizational skills as well as my sense of community. I like to ensure that new people are included and during the Pandemic I started a Zoom session on Sunday evenings with some friends and tried to reach out to as many ski club members that I could. During the summer I led some impromptu bike trips and hiking trips. I also started the NH Ski Club ski team at Gunstock last year and we are currently in 5<sup>th</sup> place. Not bad for the oldest team that does not truly feel old. I would like to see if maybe we could include some family events since many of us are having grandchildren. You don't have to have grandchildren to participate. We would love to share and as the saying goes, "It takes a village". I also feel that I have the skill set to step in for Kevin as needed to run the Ski Club meetings with the help of everyone on the board. During my stint at Fidelity, I managed multi-year and multi-million dollar projects and usually had over 100 people on the projects. I am always open to new ideas and I think I can provide the ski club with the leadership, organization and compassion that this position requires. Any questions feel free to reach out to me.

## **Treasurer**

### **Don Eaton**

I have been the treasurer for the NH Ski Club for the past four years. My wife, Josee, and I first joined the club in 2000. We were active members for a number of years and then took a hiatus to ski with our two children. We have been on many trips with the club over the years and have made many lifelong friends. My background as a commercial real estate manager and consultant provides me with the foundation to continue to work as treasurer of the club. Thank you.

## **Secretary**

### **Jayne King**

Hello fellow NH ski club members. My name is Jayne King and I have been a member of the NH ski club since 1998. I run trips and have been on the Board as a member at large and recently as recording secretary. I like to give back to the club as I have made so many great friends and ski buddies through this club. I am running for secretary again and sincerely appreciate your vote. See you on the slopes! Jayne

## **Members-at-Large**

### **Ann McLaughlin**

I'm excited to be nominated for a Member-at-Large position on the NHSC board! An active club member for more than fifteen years, I have served two terms on the board, as Secretary early on and most recently as a Member at Large. Cannon Day is my yearly event... that will happen again next season. The club has offered me lasting friendships, awesome ski trips, countless outdoor activities, and all around major fun! I hope to actively collaborate with board members and contribute to board efforts in order to keep the NHSC a vibrant member-oriented organization delivering great ski trips, outdoor activities, charitable efforts, and social events. I respectfully ask for your vote in the upcoming election. Thanks! Ann

### **Aaron Fracht-Monroe**

I live in Concord and have been a ski club member since 2015. I've been skiing since shortly after I could walk and have enjoyed the opportunity with the club to go to some amazing places and ski with people I've come to know as good friends. I'm running for board member-at-large position because I want to see continued success for the club in the trips that we plan and events that we hold.

### **Cindy Jenson**

I moved to NH two years ago and joined the Ski Club in July 2019. Since joining I have participated in many kayak and bike trips, the Cape Cod Escape, the Mt. Washington dinner cruise, Jay Peak, Sunday River and Sugarloaf Trips and hiked with Tom Cronin on his famous moonlit hike to Lonesome Lake Hut. This year and last I raced with the Gate Crashers at Gunstock and this year I joined Team Escargot at McIntyre. I am mom to two grown daughters who will be graduating from college in May. In addition to skiing, hiking, biking and kayaking I also enjoy photography and reading in my spare time. I work full time as an anesthesiologist. I am very computer literate and will be able to navigate the Wild Apricot site easily. As member-at-large I hope to be able to make the group more welcoming to new members and to help plan activities and trips once things get back to normal. In the meantime, I look forward to hiking, biking, kayaking and skiing with COVID restrictions.

## Lynda Lombardo

I have been a member for over 23 years and it's been a great experience. I love the people and I love the activities. Since my work week is minimal to zilch, I have time and flexibility to assist. I enjoy giving back to the organization that has fostered numerous friendships and fun times. In fact, my ski club friends are a big component of my limited "bubble." As we go forward, we need new ideas and suggestions to keep our club vital. I am a good listener and want to contribute. I will give my best effort as a board member and ask for your vote.

## Nancy KC (Membership Director)

I am seeking a 3rd term on the BOD to serve as your Membership Director. After retiring from the Bedford School District as a Physical Education Teacher in 2016, it has been my pleasure to give back to the club as Membership Director. Some of my past endeavours include planning the kayak day trips, a Schusshbomb, Sunday River Trip, McIntyre - Escargot Race Team, Cape Getaway weekend, and the Covid cancelled Telluride 2021 Ski Trip. I'd appreciate your support with your vote in the re-election process.

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## Snow Tubing at McIntyre Ski Area

Nancy KC

**Event Details: March 13 5:30pm - 9pm**

**Guests allowed, 15 minimum Tubers**

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 \$19.00 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 KC 1465 Hooksett Road Unit #1016 Hooksett, NH 03106-1821

**Meet Time:** 5:30 pm Check-In 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.

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. I can cancel the event within 48 hours. If the event is cancelled by McIntyre, they will make every effort to reschedule. 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".

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## Racing News

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### Gunstock

### Kathy Jacobs

**Gate Crashers**, Gunstock ski team, are now in 5<sup>th</sup> place. Not bad since most of the other teams are made up of much younger racers and Gunstock's scoring does not take into account your age. The team members are the following:

Brian Bernard  
Don Bladja  
Tony Fournier  
Doug Giles  
Mary Beth Hulbert

Lynn Jackson  
Kathy Jacobs (Captain)  
Cindy Jenson  
Bruce Long  
Fred Myhaver

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### Pat's Peak

### Jim Eilenberger

The Ski Club has two teams this year that race for 8 weeks on Thursday nights and with 6 weeks gone the new team RSR (Really Sexy Racers or Really Slow Racers; take your pick) is holding a small lead over long time team, Snow Dragons, who were started 20 years ago by Gail Linehan. Racing involves two runs and you get points, based on the NASTAR scoring system, which count toward team points. RSR is led in scoring by long time ski club racer Brett Angione followed closely by Mike Goumas, Aaron Fracht- Monroe, Deanna Blanchard, Joe Messino, Jennifer Stitt and Caela Goumas. The Snow Dragons are led by ex-college racer Leigh Komornick followed by myself, Jill Dinsmore, Eric Bos, Glenn Ellis, Wendy Lapham and a mystery racer (George Mandragouras) that the software continually refuses to recognize his age so he gets no points each week. Bummer! When the racing is done we head to the lodge to warm up, eat and enjoy an adult beverage. With two weeks left we'll see which team comes out on top for bragging rights!

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#### NHSC Officers and Board Members 2019-2021

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**Vice President:** Troy Schwotzer

**Secretary:** Jayne King

**Treasurer:** Don Eaton

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**Operations Director:** Vic Snowdon

**Racing Program Managers:** Jim Eilenberger and Ray Juneau

**Members at Large:** Jeff Sanders, Lynda Lombardo, Nancy K. Caron, Ann McLaughlin

**Past President:** Jim Eilenberger