



THE NH SKI CLUB NEWSLETTER

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We don't just ski!

President's Message

by Jill Dinsmore



Hello New Hampshire Ski Club and Hello October! Yes! It's official, fall is here! I did my best to extend summer with a trip down south. I visited the Chincoteague Ponies and spent a brief time at the beach in Cape May, NJ leaving a day early to avoid driving through the effects of Tropical Storm Ophelia. As I drove back home, I could see it was inevitable, the leaves were starting to change in the Taconic and Green Mountain regions. I truly love driving through areas such as these and the White Mountains. I definitely feel the wonder and awe of their majestic presence and feel blessed areas such as these can be reached with such ease from our locale. I think about the feeling I get driving up to a ski mountain in the winter. My stomach fills with butterflies and my pulse starts to quicken with anticipation. I think about the first ride up the ski lift and the excitement of the first run down. I don't think this feeling has changed much in the twenty-four years I've been skiing.

I think as New Hampshireites we are lucky for the breadth of each season we get to experience. We get to appreciate all fall has to offer even as we are looking forward to what wonders Winter will bring. We can enjoy hiking in our beloved White's in the peak of the foliage change; enjoy a bonfire (with Smokey's permission) and that fragrant fall smell in the air; attend one of the many celebrations and festivals around the state with offerings of the local scrumptious fare; and enjoy a tasty pumpkin beer from one of New Hampshire's fine brewing establishments, an even better time when shared with one or many of our fellow NH Ski Club members! Are you ready for fall? What do you love most about this season? The days might be shorter and cooler but will you get out and fill them with a golf outing with friends, a fall foliage kayak trip, apple picking at a local orchard, everything pumpkin spice, or seeing all your friends at the October NH Ski club meetings? I'm ready for Oktoberfest, a delicious cold pumpkin beer, celebrating the brilliant color fall brings and sharing all the good outings we're planning for the club this year! Hope to see you there! Cheers to good times! JD

Club Calendar

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| Oct 1 | Golf Outing | Jan 9 | McIntyre Racing |
| Oct 11 | Club Meeting | Jan 18 | Mt Tremblant Bus Trip |
| Oct 12 | Iceland trip | Feb 2 | Smuggler's Notch Trip |
| TBA | Schussbomb | Feb 3 | Snowmass Trip |
| Jan 4 | Racing at Pat's Peak | Feb 17 | Dolomites Ski Trip |
| Jan 7 | Jay Peak Trip | Mar 13 | Sugarbush Trip |

News and Events

Cape Cod Getaway Trip to South Yarmouth, MA September 14, 15 - 17th, 2023 - 4th year

Nancy KC



Trip Leaders: Jennifer Stitt and Nancy KC traveled South with 34 tripsters to the **Red Jacket - Blue Rock Resort** for a fun filled getaway that included: dining at the Tavern On The Wharf in Plymouth, golfing Thursday, Friday, & Sunday - organized by *Karen Blosser*, kayaking in West Dennis, swimming in the outdoor pool, biking 26 miles on the Cape Cod Rail Trail towards Nickerson State Park, then the next day on the Old Colony Rail Trail for another 26 miles. Several opportunities were available to dine with a large or small group of tripsters as many restaurants were still open after the Labor Day weekend, minus the crowds.

Some tripsters came Thursday while others joined the group on Friday at the 6pm social hour of appetizers and liquid libation which included the traditional mudslides. The welcome dinner was catered, located in the Club Room at the hotel. Raffle gifts and *Fred Myhaver's* annual birthday celebration were enjoyed by all.



Saturday's kayak trip was canceled due to an uninvited hurricane named Lee which gave us strong winds. Plan



B was well attended by 20 tripsters in *Susan Daniel's* yoga class. Thank you, Susan, for a wonderful experience. That afternoon small groups headed to the ocean to watch the waves crash onto the beach, go out to eat and hit a few shops. Saturday night's group dinner at The Skipper Restaurant proved to be a shocking and traumatic experience with a medical emergency requiring dining room evacuation for a CPR situation. All went well and the food was great, as usual.

Tripsters could follow a choice of activities on the agenda, or make their getaway trip a unique experience while visiting the Cape. There were opportunities to spend time at 3 other Red Jacket Resorts in the area for the sandy beaches and/or indoor pools.



Schussbomb Time!

Big plans are in the works for our annual season kickoff party, but we're not ready to publish yet.

Stay tuned for an announcement **soon!**

Monthly Meeting

Nancy KC

The October monthly meeting will be held on the 2nd Wednesday, October 11th. The meeting will begin at 7pm. You can come anytime after 5:30 pm to eat and socialize. Theatre #1 - Chunky's Cinema Pub, 707 Huse Rd, Manchester, NH 03103.

Chunky's PROTOCOL is for members and guests to **REGISTER** for the meeting ahead of time, so Chunky's can schedule staffing and will know how many will order food. **Register on our website ASAP, 7-10 days prior to the meeting PLEASE!**

MORE DRAWINGS! At each meeting, for in-person attendees, we're offering a special drawing for 2 people to win \$25 Chunky's gift cards. Upon arrival, check in at Chunky's ticket counter. When you arrive at Theatre #1, write your name on the paper ticket they give you and drop it into the raffle container at our own check-in table. Stick around to the end for the 2 Chunky's gift cards, 3 raffle gift cards [\$25.00 to Ken Jones Ski Shop, S&W Sports & Common Man] and the 50/50 \$ drawing. (The Chunky's gift cards and 50/50 \$ is for in-person attendees only).

Adult/Corporate Racing at McIntyre Ski Area

Nancy KC

Tuesday night race league is the perfect excuse to get away for the evening, have some friendly competition, enjoy a good meal and some beverages! Join us for six weeks beginning January 9th, 2024, from 6pm-9:30pm.

Tentative dates include: January 9th, 16th, 23th, 30th, Feb 6th, and 13th. Weather permitting. End of season overall awards banquet on March 12th, 2024.

All registrations must be done **online before** December 31st, 2023 or there will be a **\$100.00 late fee per team** and **\$20 late fee per individual**. McIntyre Ski Area, 50 Chalet Way, Manchester, NH
<https://www.mcintyreskiarea.com/race-league>

Each week you will get the chance to race two times. Weekly awards will be given for the best of your two-timed runs. The course will be open after everyone has raced for fun runs. After racing has concluded a buffet dinner is served inside the lodge and the bar will be open! **All racers must be 21+.**

Race League is NASTAR* affiliated. ***NASTAR registration required online** via McIntyre's website FOR ALL RACERS, **AFTER your NHSC team is registered** with McIntyre, or as an individual/single racers. If you raced last year 2023, use the same NASTAR # If new, click on the link to register:
<https://www.nastar.com/register-to-race>

Join as a member of an NHSC Team, or as an **Individual/Race League Single** and McIntyre will add you to a team.

- Individual/Race League Single: \$225.00 You register online via charge card.
- NHSC Race League Team: \$1,330.00 = \$190.00 per racer, paid to Nancy KC.

NHSC Race Team signup for registration will begin at the next monthly meeting at Chunky's Cinema Pub, Wednesday, October 11th. Bring your checkbook for your \$190.00 registration fee: Check payable to: Nancy Keenom Caron. **Nancy KC will register all NHSC Teams** online, as they require charge registrations, so that we get the \$35.00 (each racer) discount for having teams of 7 racers. Further questions: Email Nancy KC @ NHSkiClubNKC@gmail.com

FYI: Nancy KC will **not** be at the meeting. She is in Venice, Italy. **Jim Hulbert** will speak to the membership and conduct registrations that night.

2023 NHSC Team members looking to register for this 2024 Season

1. Nancy KC &/or your Team Captain, **will notify you requesting** all needed registration info.
2. Once all information is obtained, mail payment \$190.00 check payable to: Nancy Keenom Caron, 1465 Hooksett Rd Unit #1016, Hooksett, NH 03106-1821
3. At some time, you will physically need to sign off on the McIntyre Liability Waiver before skiing.

Information from **McIntyre**: There is a good POSSIBILITY that there may be 2 race lanes. One large area of trees has been removed. McIntyre is waiting to see if the city will remove the rest of the trees and fill in a wetland area. Time will tell.

Adult/Corporate Racing at Pat's Peak

Jim Eilenberger

Starting in January, Pat's Peak sets up two giant slalom courses four nights a week (Monday through Thursday night) that brings out a whole bunch of teams to compete for bragging rights but mostly just to have fun. The racing starts the first week of January and runs for 7 weeks and then finishes up with another week where the top five teams from each night race off for an overall Adult/Corporate winner (all teams are welcome to ski on the finals night even if not racing).

The NH Ski Club has two teams (7 racers on each team) that race on Thursday night but if we have enough people interested we could set a third team (or you can race as an individual) so if you used to race or just want to get out and cruise through the course it's all about having fun and not getting hurt! The racing starts around 7 PM but your racing pass lets you on the slopes at 3 PM if you want to cruise the mountain for a couple of hours. The racing gives you one run on each course and you get points, based on the NASTAR scoring system, which count toward team points. When the racing is done all the teams head to the lodge to warm up, eat and enjoy an adult beverage. The cost is around \$110 for the season so if you're interested and haven't already talked to me, send an email to me at berger2ski@yahoo.com and I'll give you all the details.

NHSC Membership Update

Nancy KC

As of 09/23/2023, 403 members have joined or renewed their membership's for this year of 2023. Welcome to our new, 1st time new members joining in September: **Thomas & Kathleen Burke** of Mattituck, NY, **Walt Milne's sons: Nate Milne** of East Boston, MA and **Matt Milne** of Carbondale, CO, **Brenda & Robert Arbib** Cummington, MA, **Bob St Pierre** of Manchester, NH, **Laura Vander May** of Pompton, NJ-*Nancy Harlow's daughter*, **Emily Vander May** of Wayne, NJ-*Nancy Harlow's grand daughter*, Dan & Nicole Rigger of Chappaqua, NY, **Cheryl & Bob Andee** of Ithaca, NY, **Linda Bradley** of Montvale, NJ, **Leonard & Julia Izsak** of Bedford, NH, and Rebecca Drew of Westbrook, ME.

Remember your membership must be current in order to sign up for trips *and* to go on trips. This includes weekend and week-long trips. **Your NHSC Membership expiration date is: October 31, 2023 - Halloween.** 2024 Membership renewal is now available on the website: NHskiClub.Org

1st time new members joining after 3/01/2023 have their membership expiring 10/31/2024. Same price at \$35.00 per year.

Join us on Facebook: NH Ski Club Message Board

Need a hike, bike, kayak or ski buddy? Post it on the message board. Jeff Sanders is our Facebook administrator. Remember, you need to be a current member in good standing to be approved for the NHSC Facebook group.

Trips

Discover Iceland

October 12 – 19, 2024

Nancy Harlow

\$4998 pp.

Custom trip for NHSC offering the best of Iceland with a private experienced guide.

7 Nights lodging in 3 distinct locations. Opportunity to see the Northern Lights.

Limited to 20 members. Space is available so sign up soon.

- Day 1 – ARRIVAL Check into 4-star hotel, outdoor saunas & hot tubs, Meet & Greet
- Day 2 – SOUTH COAST View & walk behind the Seljalandsfoss waterfall (197 ft tall). Then walk up to the 197 foot Skogafoss waterfall, see a rainbow in the mist. Visit a black sand beach and sea stacks of Reynisdrangar.
- Day 3 – THORSMORK VALLEY Explore unspoiled nature by Super Jeep & short hike.
- Day 4- GOLDEN CIRCLE Walk between 2 tectonic plates in Thingvellir National Park, see amazing Gullfoss Waterfall, and watch a Geysir (50-60 ft) erupt
- Day 5 – SNAEFELLSNES PENINSULA Visit glacier topped volcano, lava strewn fields, waterfalls, black pebble beach, Kirkjufell cone-shaped mountain and more
- Day 6 – WEST ICELAND See two lava waterfalls, descend into one of the worlds' largest lava tubes, then tour an ice tunnel into a glacier.
- Day 7 – REYKJAVIK Free day to explore this vibrant city, many options provided. Group Dinner.
- Day 8 – DEPARTURE Private transfer to the airport.

Email Nancy Harlow if you would like to go at: nancyeharlow@gmail.com

Jay Peak

January 7 to January 12

Trip Leaders: Donnamarie Kelly and Kathy Sklat

\$750-\$970 ppdo

Join the longest running club ski trip and enjoy a full season of skiing! The Jay Peak Trip offers a season pass exclusive of Saturdays and Presidents Day Week for all members enjoying the January trip! Jay Peak boasts the most snowfall on any mountain on the East Coast so you can look forward to natural snow conditions. We need 20 members to keep this long standing tradition going and continue to be the only group given the Jay Peak Pass bonus!

Trip price includes:

- 5 nights lodging (Sun-Thurs.) in a 4 person, 2 bedroom condo, or single/double occupancy hotel room.
- Slopeside condos are 2 bedroom, 1 full bathroom. Cottage condos are 2 bedroom, 2 bathrooms or Stateside Hotel. Single or double occupancy- continental breakfast included.
- 5 days skiing (Mon-Fri)
- Jay Peak Pass good for the remainder of the 2024 ski season exclusive of Saturdays and Feb 17-24
- Events during the week include:
 - o Meet and Greet
 - o One day pass to Pump House Waterpark
 - o Club pizza night party

Those who already have a Jay Peak Season Pass or a Ragged Mountain Pass can subtract \$136.25 from the cost of the trip. The [registration form](#) is posted on the NHSC website. Any questions? Email:

donnamariejkelly@gmail.com or text 978-828-3228

Mt. Tremblant Bus/Ski Trip

Jan. 18-21, 2024

First come, first served!

Trip Leader: Karen Schwotzer

\$719.00 per person

Passport required

Bus trip: where the fun starts when you board...

About 1 1/2 hour northwest of Montreal, a ski destination to suit every level of ability...and other winter sports like snowshoeing, XC skiing, ice skating, tubing, etc It's a pedestrian village where everything is within walking distance...shopping, restaurants, bars, convenient store, etc.

Skiing Area

Skiable terrain: 755 acres

Glades: 178 acres

Total length of trails: 81.9 km/50.8 mi

Longest trail: Nansen, 6 km/3.7 mi

South Side vertical drop: 645 m/2116 ft

Maximum slope degree: 42°

Snowparks: 3

Lifts

Gondolas: 2

High-speed 4-passenger chairlifts: 6

4-passenger chairlifts: 1

3-passenger chairlifts: 1

Magic carpets: 3

Cabriolet: 1

Tour des Voyageur condos all have full kitchens, 1 bedroom with 2 beds, living room with gas fireplace and balcony.... outdoor hot tub, ski lockers, coffee shop, gym and free wifi.

- 3 nights condo accommodations
- 2 day lift ticket
- Round trip motorcoach
- Driver gratuity
- All Taxes
- Raffle

Make check out to: **NH SKI CLUB**

Mail to: **Karen Schwotzer, 24 Gold St, Manchester, NH 03103.**

Questions: karenslewis@comcast.net or call 603-289-0921

Smugglers' Notch Ski Weekend

February 2-4, 2024

Trip Leader: Nancy Harlow

\$399 pp.

Ski 78 trails across 3 interconnected mountains, in addition 750 acres of woods! Our slopeside condos offer easy access to lifts. The Village has a restaurant and Bootleggers Lounge, indoor pool, hot tub, ice skating, and tubing hill.

Trip price of \$399.00 pp includes:

- 3 day lift tickets - Friday, Saturday, Sunday
- 2 nights in 2 bedroom slopeside condos with fully equipped kitchen, large living/dining area, fireplace and cable TV (4 people per condo)
- 3 night option \$499.00 pp if arriving Thursday night. YES NO
- Meet and Greet Friday night with food, wine and beer
- Non-skiers can deduct \$40 on 2 Night stay/\$60 on 3 Night stay
- Deposit of \$200.00 due by Nov. 8, 2023. Balance due Dec.13, 2023

Make checks payable to NH Ski Club. Mail with **completed form** to Nancy Harlow, 57 Pondview Drive, Merrimack, NH 03054 Cell # 862-209-0535 nancyeharlow@gmail.com

Snowmass/Aspen 2024 Ski Trip

When: 3 Feb 2024

Trip Leader: Jim Bivona

\$2,295.00

THIS TRIP IS FULL!

The 2 and 3 bedroom condominiums at Top of the Village are some of the most luxurious ski-in/ski-out condos in Snowmass Village. 4-6 people per condo. Direct flight to Denver from Boston and bus to Snowmass. 1 hour stop for shopping. Contact Jim Bivona, (603) 731-9986, Jimbo5868@gmail.com

2024 Dolomites Ski & Dine Trip with a Taste of Venice

February 17-24, 2026 & February 24, 2024 - March 4, 2024

Marcia Morgan

Trip Leader

Dolomites Ski Trip Openings!

There is a VERY SHORT waitlist for both Trip 1 and Trip 2 and we anticipate more openings in the coming months. We are especially looking for females open to rooming with other female club members. Sign up for the waitlist by emailing or mailing a **completed form**. Please read trip details carefully. No deposit is needed until you are confirmed. Please contact Marcia Morgan at marciadmorgan@gmail.com with any questions.

Final payment of \$2,325.00 due November 1 for those confirmed.

DOLOMITES MEET & GREET: Wednesday, November 8 at 5:30 p.m. at Chunky's Cinema, before the NHSC meeting. If you've been confirmed or officially waitlisted on Trip 1 or 2, you're invited to the MEET & GREET at the front of the theater room in Chunky's on November 8. Come meet others on your trip, pick up some swag, and identify skiers with similar abilities for exploring the vast paradise of the Dolomites!

Sugarbush, VT

March 13-15, 2024

Trip Leader: Bruce Dyke

\$686 ppdo

\$403 ppdo, with IKON Pass

The club will return to Sugarbush with a mid-week trip this coming winter! The 4,000 acre resort in the heart of Vermont averages 250 inches of snow annually and offers 2,600 vertical feet of skiing on two peaks with 111 trails, 4 terrain parks and 28 wooded areas all served by 16 lifts. Accommodations will be at The Lodge at Lincoln Peak (formerly the Sugarbush Inn), which was fully renovated this past summer.

Trip Includes:

- Two night's accommodations
- Three full-day, full-mountain lift tickets
- Two hot buffet breakfasts
- One club buffet dinner hosted at the Castlerock Pub (private event room)
- Complimentary parking at the Lodge with shuttle service to the mountain
- Complimentary access to Sugarbush Health & Racquet Club

Mail completed **trip form** with payment to: Bruce Dyke, 61 Highland Dr, Chichester, NH 03258
50% deposit due October 20th. Final payment due December 15th.

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