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Members of the Crescent Ski Council &
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The Greater Charleston Ski Club is a non profit organization that enjoys social functions and events throughout the year, including but not limited to ski trips. Our membership is open to anyone without regard to age, color or creed.

SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

March:

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| Saturday | 04 | Oyster Roast | |
| Monday | 06 | Board Meeting
Kelly Brambles 6:30 pm | |
| Wednesday | 15 | Membership Meeting 6 pm
Point Grill - Mt Pleasant | |
| Friday | 17 | St. Patricks Day |  |
| Friday | 31 | Happy Hour
Sticky Fingers—Downtown Chas | |

April:

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| Monday | 03 | Board Meeting
TBA 6:30 pm | |
| Wednesday | 19 | Membership Meeting 6 pm
Sunfire Grill—West Ashley | |
| 27th - 30th | | Crescent Spring Convention
Kingston Plantation
Myrtle Beach, SC | |

May:

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| Monday | 08 | Board Meeting
TBA | |
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June:

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| Friday | 09 | Harbor Cruise | |
| Saturday | 10 | Beach Party
Folly Beach | |

IMPORTANT

Membership Meeting

The next Membership meeting will be held March 15th at Point Grill 176 Patriots Point Mount Pleasant.
843-216-1168
Happy Hour from 6 to 7
Meeting starts at 7

We are voting on the 06/07 Board of Directors - YOUR VOTE COUNTS
PLEASE Be There!

THE PREZ SEZ...

Hello Ski-ters!

We made some progress at the last meeting towards nominations for the soon to be vacant Officers positions. There were several 'inspired' members who stepped up to take on these positions of leadership. I applaud all those that heeded the calling, here are the list of nominees;

OPEN	President
Debbie Ostarander	Vice President
Larry Hendrix	Secretary
OPEN	Treasurer

Bob Watts was nominated for President but declined due to the pressures of his current 'Keeper of the Spirits' position. God knows, we need a strong person in that critical position and Bob does a great job! If it ain't broke..... right??

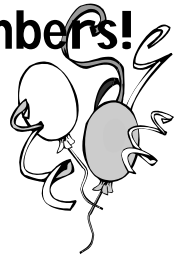
Attendance at our next meeting is very important, please mark your calendar for Wednesday, March 15th, 6:00PM at The Point Grill in Mt Pleasant.

Nat Forbes is the trip leader for the Crescent Spring Convention in Myrtle Beach. The dates are April 27-30, please call Nat, 303 6302, if you have any questions and check the website for registration forms.

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Welcome New Members!

- George Buero
(welcome back)
- Brad Winchester



Description of Open Officers Positions

At our last members meeting, I was asked to put together 'job descriptions' of the open Officers positions within the club. Here they are;

President

The President shall be the principal executive officer of the Club, in general, supervise and control all business and affairs of the Club. The President shall preside at all general membership meetings and at all Board of Directors (BOD) meetings.

Vice President

In the absence of the President, or in the event of his or her inability or refusal to act, the Vice President shall perform the duties of the President and when so acting, shall have all the powers of, and be subjected to all the restrictions upon the President.

Secretary

The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the General Membership and the BOD meetings. The Secretary will distribute in writing or via e-mail to each officer and director a copy of the minutes of all meetings no later than 14 days after the meeting. The Secretary will keep such other books or records required by law or deemed necessary by the Board.

Treasurer

The Treasurer shall have charge of, and be responsible for, all account funds of the Club. The Treasurer will receive and give receipts for moneys due and payable to the Club and deposit those moneys in the name of the Club in our Bank Account. The Treasurer shall secure and file complete invoices for all expenditures and shall keep full and accurate records and report these records at every monthly BOD meeting.

It took most of this information directly from our By-Laws to be as accurate as possible. If you have any questions please contact me!

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www.CharlestonSkiClub.org**



CRESCENT SKI COUNCIL CONVENTION

April 2006

FUN!!!

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This is the “**MUST ATTEND**” event of the year for unbridled FUN! With approximately 24 ski clubs in the Southeast attending, you will meet, compete, dance and socialize with the most fun-loving people in the world.

The convention starts on Thursday (you can come Friday if you so desire) with an Early Bird Reception. At this event, free appetizers will be served and 2 free drink tickets will be provided. This ice-breaker reception will give you an opportunity to meet members of the other Ski Clubs and even some of the vendors there for the trade show. From there, conventioners get together for dinner, dancing or both.

Friday begins with a golf tournament at a Myrtle Beach course TBA. See me for info and entry form. Also, on Friday at 10AM there will be a Mixed Doubles Tennis Tournament. This is a fun tournament and you should enter no matter what level you play. For more info and Entry Forms, see our own Karen Johnson. For those of you that don't play golf or tennis, you can hang out at the pool or beach, explore Myrtle Beach, or god forbid, go shopping. From 7-10PM there is a trade show sponsored by tour and ski resort representatives from the US, Canada and Europe. This is a great opportunity to see what is offered and make plans for the 2006 ski season. Two free beverage tickets will be provided. When the trade show ends the dancing begins. From 10pm to 12:30am a DJ will play our favorite tunes. Two free beverage tickets will be provided at this event also. A cash bar for additional drinks will be available.

Saturday is the **BIG DAY**. The morning starts with meetings for key members of the clubs. Most of us can sleep-in, have a big breakfast and make our way to the beach by 12:30pm for the Beach Olympics. There will be volleyball, Tug of War, Jam-up and Jelly-tight club team competition and an individual sand slalom run. We need **ALL** of our attendees **TO COMPETE** as you get more points for participating than for winning.

To cap off a great day, there will be a theme dance from 8-12PM (theme not yet decided). Please, for your sake, come in costume. You will feel more a part of the party and have a better time (this is guaranteed). 3 free beverage tickets will be provided. A cash bar will also be available here and at the other events with free beverage tickets.

Sunday is a day to hang out by the pool or on the beach for one last day. It is also time to say good-bye to new friends made. Change rooms or condos will be available.

IMPORTANT. Do not hesitate. Our deadline to register is March 20TH. Please try and get your own roommates and condomates. But, don't let this stop you from going, as roommates and condomates will be assigned if you don't have any. Look at it this way, it's a way to get to know your club members better.

Brighton Tower (ocean view and on the beach) lodging: w/kitchen, 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, Queen sleeper sofa in living area.

<u># of people in condo</u>	<u>3 night stay</u>	<u>2 night stay</u>
2	\$373	\$262
3	\$267	\$192
4	\$214	\$156
5	\$183	\$135
6	\$161	\$121

I'm going and I'm going to have **FUN, FUN**, and more **FUN**. You aren't going to miss the **FUN** are you?
For questions and more details, call me at 303-6302. Nat

Mail application with check made out to GCSC to Nat Forbes, 1065 Harbor View Rd Charleston, SC 29412.

Check must accompany application to reserve your space.

Note: SPACE IS LIMITED.

Crescent Convention 2005 Application Form

PARTICIPANT(S) NAME(S) _____

ADDRESS & ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ WORK PHONE _____

ROOM MATE _____ CONDO MATES _____

T-SHIRT SIZE (circle one) S M L XL XXL XXXL

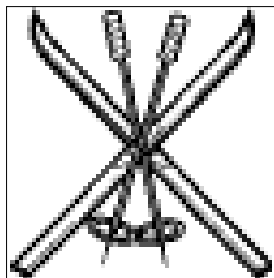
CANCELLATION POLICY – Prior to 16 March you will receive a full refund less \$25 and any costs not recoverable by the trip coordinator. On or after 16 March, no refund unless your space is sold to another member. Full refund less \$25 if space is sold.

RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT – I do hereby absolve, release and waive any and all liability claims or demands against the Greater Charleston Ski Club, Inc., its officers, directors, trip coordinator, and each and every member thereof, which may arise out of or be related to any injury, damage or pecuniary loss to me or any member of my family by participating in Club trips or related activities. I have read and do accept the terms and conditions including the cancellation policy and the Release and Hold Harmless Agreement and agree to the terms set forth.

PARTICIPANT(S) SIGNATURE(S) _____ **DATE** _____

GCSC SKI-TERS REVISIT GRAY ROCKS CANADA

Returning again after our 2004 trip, we found the ambiance of this small resort nestled in the Laurentians, northeast of Montreal Quebec was unchanged. For once, the Club with the reputation of being "a drinking club with a skiing problem" was unable to finish all the wine at the welcome aboard wine and cheese party. Being Tuesday was Valentine's Day, the group started with a complementary margarita party before dinner followed by a complementary sleigh ride, where we met a real 'Horse Whisperer' named Jenny, from Atlanta.. New this week was having table service on the mountain for lunch. The regular exquisite cuisine was present and in the evenings, we ate from a menu of 20 top notch selections instead of the normal three for that meal.



The skiing was excellent with a nightly dusting and one day we had a fresh dump of Eastern powder, which has always been a challenge to us southern skiers who compare it to mashed potato skiing. Wednesday had a race clinic with Mike crashing and burning. With the Pro Challenge and the Master's races on Wednesday, Eileen won a silver and a bronze medal. Friday with the traditional Gray Rocks Intra-Class Races, Eileen won a second silver medal. The weather turned very cold and extremely windy on Friday afternoon so the resort closed the slopes, and bussed the Ski Week participants and instructors down to the St Jovite Village for an afternoon of bowling, again on the house. Our group was second in the competition but medals only given to the winning group. Being our luck the week just before Presidents' Week, the class sizes averaged about 4 to 5 per instructor - - almost like having private instructors. Everyone in my class had been there before, which speaks well for their program. Mike Hadbavny, Trip Leader

Racing

2005 – 2006 Crescent Ski Council Racing Schedule

Dec 17-18, 2005	Appalachian, NC	Slalom & GS	9:30 AM
Jan 6-8, 2006	SilverCreek, WV	Slalom & GS	9:30 AM
Jan 28-29, 2006	Beech Mt., NC	Slalom & GS	9:30 AM
Feb 11-12, 2006	Hawksnest, NC	Slalom & GS	9:30 AM
Feb 25-26, 2006	Sugar Mt., NC	Slalom & GS	9:30 AM
Mar 10-12, 2006	SilverCreek, WV	Crescent Cup Finals	9:30 AM

For more information on racing or to find out how to participate, contact Lea Givens
livens2003@hotmail.com or 556-4460!

The image displays a grid of logos for various sponsors. The logos include: Subaru, Canadian Valley Resort & Conference Center, LTA Ski Tours, Oranger's Waterproofing, DZ Dryzone, Orikaso, Killington Vermont, Telluride, Resort Quest, Wintergreen, Park City Mountain Resort, Sierra at Tahoe, Adventures Mountain River, Northstar at Tahoe, Holmenkol Performance Ski Wax, Smartwool, Moguls, Atomic, Exel, Swany, Clif Bar, Hotfingers, Big Mountain Whitefish, Montana, and Uvex.

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The following businesses have donated merchandise and/or certificates to the Crescent Ski Council. Their merchandise and certificates will be used as prizes to the top three finishers in each flight of the CSC Race Series. Please support these establishments and product lines at every possible opportunity.

As a member of the Greater Charleston Ski Club, you are also a member of CSC - Crescent Ski Council, an organization of 24 ski clubs with more than 6000 members from NC, GA, TN, SC, FL, & WV. CSC is also a charter member of the National Ski Council Federation (NSCF).



For more information on either organization please visit their websites at:
<http://www.crescentskicouncil.org> <http://www.skifederation.org>



Hard, Fast, & Icy – Just the Way They Like It!

Sounds strange, doesn't it? But that's the way Olympic ski racers prefer it. Well things in Sestriere, Italy didn't turn out the way we had hoped. There were a few bright spots with Ted Ligety winning the Alpine Combined (2 slalom runs + 1 downhill) and Julia Mancuso, tiara and all, taking the Gold Metal in the Women's Giant Slalom. Toby Dawson took the Bronze in the Mogul competition.

Snowboarding was better. Shaun White, the avalanche rider & extreme boarder, from San Diego, seized the Gold Metal in the Halfpipe. The U.S. Women went 1 – 2 as Hannah Teter grabbed the Women's Halfpipe Gold and Gretchen Bleiler took the Silver.

Seth Wescott pulled through with the Gold Metal in the SnowBoarder Cross, a version of short-track speed skating on SnowBoards. The big story was Lindsey Jacobellis who did not so much win the Silver as lose the Gold, blowing a 3 second lead as she took the second-to-last jump, hurtled into the air, did a showboating board grab, crashed, and went off the course as Switzerland's Tanja Frieden flew past to get the Gold that had been Lindsey's for the taking.



Seth Wescott



Lindsey Jacobellis



White & Kass



Julie Mancuso

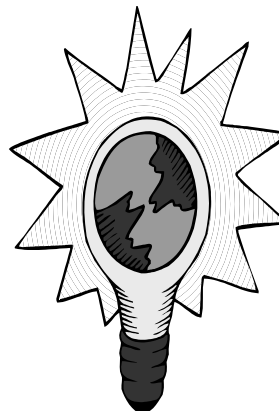


Ted Ligety

Community Involvement

Do you travel? - We are collecting travel size toiletry supplies/samples (shampoo, conditioner, soap etc...) for the Crises Ministries downtown Charleston. We are also collecting blankets and of course \$\$ donations! Please help us help the less fortunate! -

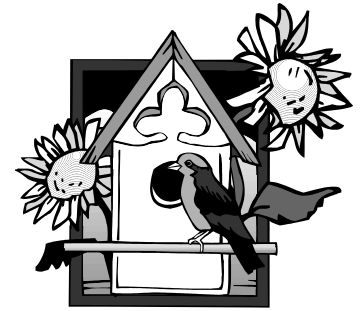
For more information call or email Sandra Hickman or Trish Forbes
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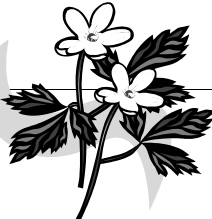
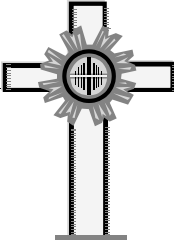

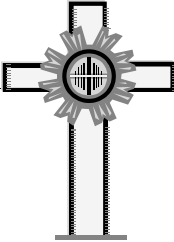
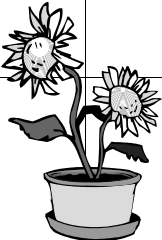



Do have an idea for community involvement? We want to hear it!
Please contact Trish Forbes or Sandra Hickman!

April 2006

Greater Charleston Ski Club



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 <i>Daylight Savings Begins</i>	3 Board Meeting <i>TBA</i>	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13 <i>Passover Begins</i> <i>Full Moon</i>	14 <i>Good Friday</i>	15
16 <i>Easter Sunday</i> 	17	18	19 <i>Membership Meeting</i> <i>Sunfire Grill</i>	20	21	22 <i>Earth Day</i> 
23 	24	25	26 	27 	28 Crescent Spring Convention in Myrtle Beach!	29
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If you have suggestions or comments on the newsletters, or have information that you would like to see published (congratulations, condolences, and the like)

Contact Kelly Bramble (editor)
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Membership Meeting March 15th

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