

Notice

1. We need to find a volunteer for Board position of Special Events Director. Here is your opportunity to contribute to the club and get to know some really neat fellow skiers and boarders. Call Russell to volunteer.

2. This is the final edition published by the Ghost Writer/Editor/Mailman. Many thanks to Terri Benson for volunteering to edit the newsletter and help with this important link to keep the membership connected.

Schedule of Upcoming Events

Sep	1 Board Meeting 630 pm
Wed	16 Membership Mtg. Point Grill, Patriots' Point, Mt P.
Fri	25 HH Folly Beach Crab Shack 530 pm
Oct	6 Board Meeting 630 pm
Wed	21 Membership Mtg Point Grill

Schedule of Ski Trips

Dec'09 4-6 Winter Warm-up/Ski Improvement
Appalachian Mountain NC –
French Swiss Ski College

Dec'09 5-12 Steamboat CO Race Camp

Jan '10 16-23 Whitefish MT Crescent Mega Trip

Feb '10 7-14 Telluride CO

Hello there fellow Ski-ters:

First let me start by telling those of you who missed it that we had a great meeting Wednesday the 19th at our new home for membership meetings, the Point Grill at Patriot's Point. If you went to the Happy Hour there prior to our cruise this year, you know what I am talking about. We will be having our monthly membership meetings there every **THIRD** Wednesday of the month going forward so come out and join us!

Same Skiter Place, Same Skiter Time!

Summer is flying past at warp speed and snow season is right around the Corner. Got a text from a friend in Crested Butte and they got their first frost last week, WooHoo! We have already filled the Telluride CO trip (26 spaces) in February, there are 8 signed up for Steamboat in December. The Whitefish MT trip so far has 5 listed with plenty of room and 15 have

expressed interest on a Ski Warm-Up and Ski Improvement trip to Appalachian Ski Mountain NC and have several on the wait list. Debbie is trying hard to get racers lined up for the upcoming season with several trips to the NC snow country to compete in both Nastar and Crescent racing. Check the web site for the new rules on Racing with the Greater Charleston Ski Club.

We had 48, according to our statistics man, at the August Meeting at Point Grill on Patriots' Point, which will be the location for our next 6 meetings. Thanks go out to our new VP, Jean Holst for helping set it up. We are trying to have a fixed location for our membership meetings so we are easier to find for new people and consistent for those who are already members. Those of you who missed the dynamite Happy Hour at Buddy Roe's on August 21, missed a good time as well with a very impressive turn-out. Thanks, Steve for trying a new place, I believe a good time was had by all. Some people even got out and did a little vertical Shagging!!! :-)

Please welcome and thank Terri Benson who volunteered to take the position of Newsletter Editor that we have been trying to fill for quite a while. Two days after volunteering for the position at the last meeting, she had her first draft circulating for comments, way to go Terri!!!!. As well as Former President Julie Tillman has volunteered to be the Cruise Director for our 2010 annual Harbor cruise as well. As required by our by-laws, we still need a Special Events Director to help us manage the many functions that we do. By having this position, we can maintain some corporate knowledge of these functions and have both records and points of contact so that the next picnic, cruise, party, and etc., will not have to continually created from scratch.

Another vacancy is that of Community Relations Director, which helps us stay connected with other non-profits so those wanting to volunteer to help other agencies can easily do so. Similarly, it is through working with other organizations that we are able to obtain exposure and free publicity for attracting high performance members. In spite of newsletters, ads in the paper, interviews by radio and TV, there are still many skiers and boarders in our area who are unaware that there is a SNOW Ski Club in this city. In addition, there are positions on committees that are open if you want to get your feet wet, or looking before you leap into an Executive or Board of Director Position. This is your ski club where the activities are organized and run by volunteers. If you want to learn more, please feel free to give me a call.

So until I see you again at a meeting or happy hour, keep thinking SNOW!

Russell Jewell, President

APPALACHIAN SKI MOUNTAIN DECEMBER TRIP

A Ski/Board Training and Early Winter Warm Up trip Friday-Sunday December 4-6, with 15 signing on as interested, is being planned.

In the 80's Appalachian Mountain was a regular NC destination for the Ski Club. One of my first memories of the club includes chuckling about the time in 1987 when we had a bus with a weak engine. We all had to pile out and help push it up the mountain. Fast forward 21 years, to seeing our beginner skiers and boarders progress last December (2008) after only 3 lessons at French-Swiss Ski College was amazing. French-Swiss has trained over ONE MILLION skiers and boarders!

The resort team has not set their rates for this season yet, but hope to have the same program with rolled-back lift tickets, lessons, and equipment rentals packages. During recent meetings--a total of 15 people have expressed interest in this trip--as a means to get their ski legs back in shape and or to advance to a higher level of skiing with lessons. To make the trip economically sound with a bus rental --we must have at least 30 people on board, otherwise we will do van rentals with someone taking luggage in pick-up (Mike has volunteered).

Last year, several hotels in the area, charged a flat rate per room for one to four people, thus making this early December trip very enticing.

If you have not been to any of the summer meetings to get your name on the list, but are interested in this trip--call or email Mike, Training Director--contact information on last page of this newsletter. . We will need to get the numbers up before we can commit to a motor coach--and make the deposits--but **DON'T WANT TO LEAVE ANYONE BEHIND.**

A REMINDER FROM THE BOARD

With check payments for membership, trip deposits, payments, etc., please make them out to GCSC or Greater Charleston Ski Club rather than an individual by name.

WANTED FOR OCTOBER ISSUE

Our Training Director is writing an article to share tips he has collected concerning packing and unique methods to reduce volume of baggage. Now that the airlines have began charging for baggage (with Delta it is \$125 for a third checked bag) careful packing is even more important.

If you have found any unique tips for baggage, please allow us to share them with your fellow skiers. Please call Mike at 556-6504 so he can include some of your ideas into his article. Our Ski Club allows us to share ideas since many brains can create a better solution.

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GCSC 2009-10 Trips

Dec 4-6 Appalachian Ski Mt. NC – Mike Hadbavny
 Dec 5-12 Steamboat Race Camp CO – Larry Hendrix
 Jan 16-23 Whitefish MT- Russell Jewell
 Feb 7-14 Telluride CO – Bobby Compton

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