



The SKI-RAPPER

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www.CharlestonSkiClub.org

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

SEPTEMBER

Tuesday 02 **Board Meeting 6:30 pm**
Sunfire Grill in W. Ashley



Wednesday 17 Membership Meeting



Happy Hour 6-8 pm
Creekside Bar and Grill
Shem Creek, Mt. Pleasant

Thursday 18 Concrete Ski School
First Class A1

Friday 19 Happy Hour 6-8 pm



Crab Shack
Folly Beach

Thursday 25 Concrete Ski School
2nd Class A2
James Island

OCTOBER

Tuesday 07 **BOD Meeting 6:30pm**
Sunfire Grill in W. Ashley



Wednesday 15 **Membership Meeting**
TBD

Friday-Sun 31-2 Fall CSC Conference

Attention All Skiters...



Please contact me if you have any submissions or updates that you would like to contribute.

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September Membership Meeting



Wednesday
September 17, 2008

Creekside Bar and Grill

Join us for happy hour about 6 pm
Meeting around 7 pm



GCSC 08/09 Officers Are...

- President Russell Jewell
- V. President Larry Hendrix
- Secretary Debbie Croxton
- Treasurer Linda Compton

WELCOME! Greater Charleston Ski Club (GCSC) is a nonprofit volunteer organization founded in 1971 by a group in Charleston, SC interested in snow skiing..... Not a skier? Not a problem.. Our activities are held year round and there is something for families and singles alike wishing to have fun and make new friends. The club is also a member of the [Crescent Ski Council](#) which unites clubs from the southeast for joint events. Guests are welcome at all meetings and events. You must be a member to participate on trips.

Welcome to our new and returning members!

Ted Moore

Mike Goldston

Doug Morton

Henry & Jill Merchant

Edward Montgomery

Marilyn Porter

Eyda Arroyave

Dorothy (Jane) Reeder

Michele Blank

The club hosts regular monthly meetings usually held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at various locations. Some membership meetings are held in special places and may have entertainment. Attendance at special meetings may require nominal donations from both members and guests to cover costs

The Ski Club is offering two separate courses of two days each on Thursday September 18 and 25 on James Island and Wednesday November 5 and 12 at Time-Out Sports. Instruction will include various topics related to safety, equipment rental, what various slopes offer, introduction to boarding and skiing and ski improvement. Three local Learn-To-Ski/Improve trips are in the planning stages for December 7-10, December 18-21, and February 20-22. If there is adequate interest, transportation and lodging will be offered for the December 7-10 trip with training provided by French-Swiss Ski College. Contact Training Director at 556-6504 for more details.

SNOW SKI and BOARD TRAINING

The Greater Charleston Ski Club (GCSC) is offering two separate orientation courses for newcomers to skiing and boarding. The goal of this program is to provide new skiers and boarders with basic information that will prepare them for on slope instruction by professional ski instructors. Each course has 2 sessions of 1.5 hours each. On slope lessons will be done during the 3 Ski/Board Learn/Improvement Trips. This program is an expansion from the single classroom session started in 2007. It has been updated and now includes information on snow boarding, hands-on experience with equipment, and physical fitness. Topics covered will include: basic safety rules, physical fitness, equipment, local rental availability, dressing for comfort, ski areas, reading ski trail maps and symbols, basic boarding (riding), ski schools, altitude considerations, the GCSC Ski Mentor Program. Those who complete both sessions will have priority for sign up on the trips to NC and West Virginia that are currently in the planning stages. More information on these trips will be available during the training courses.

DATES OF CLASSROOM TRAINING:

Class A Thursday

**Part 1 Sept 18 6-7:30 Time-Out Sports, 675-A Johnnie Dodds Blvd, Mt Pleasant &
Part 2 Sept 25 6-7:30 VFW Post 445, Pavilion, 1639 Camp Rd, James Island.**

Class B Wednesday

Nov 5 & 12 6-7:30 both sessions will be at Time Out Sports, Mt. Pleasant

Since members of the GCSC will be volunteering to conduct this training, the scheduled will be different for each Class; you must attend part 1 and 2 of Class A **or** B to get all the information. The GCSC is partnering with Time-Out Sports and is offering this classroom instruction free of charge to the GCSC members, Time-Out Sports customers, and the general public.

Advanced registration is required at either:

- 1) GCSC Meetings (See Newsletter or www.CharlestonSkiClub.org for meeting location)
- 2) Time-Out Sports, 675-A Johnnie Dodds Blvd. (3rd traffic light from the new bridge), Mt Pleasant.

Class size is limited. Sign up is on a first come basis. In the event these classes become full, additional classes will be scheduled.

LEARN/IMPROVE SKI TRIPS:

Three ski trips are being planned

- 1) 5-7 December to Appalachian Mountain NC; the French Swiss Ski College is participating with the Crescent Ski Council;
- 2) 18-20 December to Beech Mountain NC (limited number of spaces available), and
- 3) 20-22 February (with sufficient interest) to Winterplace, WV.

The fees for these trips are being worked at time of publication. Transportation will be by bus (if enough sign up to make it cost effective) or by car-pooling. GCSC members participating in the above classroom program have priority in seats on these trips. Non-GCSC members participating will have a surcharge added to cover membership fees since all persons participating in ski trips must be club members by GCSC and Crescent Ski Council policy.



**From Debbie Ostrander 276-5110
Winter & Sports Racing**

***With only 13 slots left,
don't be left behind!!***

Big Sky, with a vertical of 4350' and 400 inches of snow a year, is recognized by ski magazines with short or non-existing lift lines.

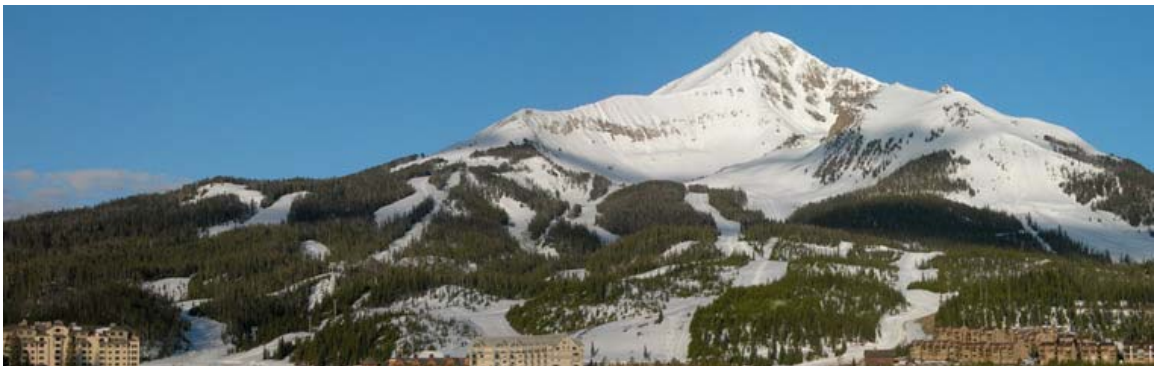
With 3812 ski able acres on 3 mountains, you are sure to have enough variety of terrain to keep your skis and snowboards carving turns for 4 to 6 days.

**Join your fellow ski-ers and crescent friends for
7 nights in your choice of condo or hotel.**

**Prices start at \$835 land plus air
(\$550 with crescent or \$25 and make your own air)**

Trip includes transfers, parties, mt. picnic, dinner and dance, and crescent t-shirt. With an optional Yellowstone snowmobile day and over 20 places to eat, drink and party when the sun goes down behind the mountain, you're sure to have a memorable time. Need deposits by Sept 1st to reserve your spot. So don't miss out on some of the best skiing out west. Final payment due November 10th.

For more info contact Debbie Ostrander at 843-2765110.





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Well now that the newsletter is back up and running we can spread more propaganda about how much fun this ski club has. Winter and Summer. It's August 13th and I am already looking forward to this ski season. If you want to really get in the mood for snow skiing that is. Get on the internet and pull up your favorite place to ski or one of our great trips that you are going on. Get an ice cold beer, pull up the trail map and let the runs begin. Don't forget to stretch first; we don't want any arm chair injuries. After some great mental skiing don't forget the Hot Tub and more Ice Cold Beer! Larry.

Winter and Sports Racing
 Racing Schedule from Debbie Ostrander








Dec 20-21	Appalachian, NC
Jan 9	Gate Training at Appalachian
Jan 10-11	Sugar Mt, NC race
Jan 31-Feb 1	Sugar Mt race
Feb 7-8	Hawksnest ?????
Feb 21-22	Beech Mt, NC race
March 6-8	Crescent Cup Silver Creek, WV

Questions:contact Debbie Ostrander
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WANTED Special Events Director

Want a challenge that will help steer Ski Club activities in a positive direction to maximize the fun for our members? No experience is necessary, just the desire to work with others; help collect some plans on how we did some activities in the past. Then you can inject your own ideas and thoughts and develop how you best think it can be accomplished. Net result will be the activities run smoother and the club will do less reinventing and making the same errors for each special activity we do. Although this is not a paid position, the job satisfaction will greatly reward your effort. Contact Russell Jewell, President to apply.

2008-2009 Season

	Where	When	Price	Contact
	Steamboat Ski School and Race Camp, Colorado* Read Flyer Application	Dec 6-13, 2008	\$840 plus airfare (includes lodging, lift, lessons, lunches (3), parties!)	Larry Hendrix 296-4436
	Big Sky, Montana* Read Flyer Application Yellowstone side trip	Jan 17-24, 2009	Starting at \$1,385. Includes air, 7 Ngts. Lodging, Lift ticket, parties, & dinner. See Flyer for details.	Debbie Ostrander 766-4110
	Crested Butte, Colorado Read Flyer Application	Feb 8-15 (4 spaces left) & 9-16 (12 spaces left), 2009	\$1,095. Includes Air, 7 Ngts. lodging, & lift ticket. See flyer for more details	Bobby Compton 553-0803
	Keystone, Colorado*	Mar 14-21, 2009	\$1,615. Includes air, 7 Ngts. lodging, lift ticket, dinner, & parties, see flyer for details.	Bobby Compton 553-0803
	From Port Everglades to Costa Maya or Cozumel, Costa Rica, Panama, and return to Port Everglades	Mar 14-22, 2009	Starting at \$769 for 8 nights. Which includes port tax, T-shirt, welcome party, etc., see flyer for details.	See flyer (Annual cruise arranged by Employee Association of VA Hospital)

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Change of Address? (Physical or email)

To continue receiving GCSC correspondence be sure to notify the **Membership Chairperson** Kelly Bramble at 225-3627 or you can send an email to kmbramble@knology.net when you have a change of address or any other information! (please add change of address in subject line).



Subaru is a proud sponsor of the Crescent Ski Council (CSC) Racing program. Part of their sponsorship package this year includes the **VIP Discount program** for all CSC members. Qualifying members of a CSC club can **purchase a new Subaru at dealer cost minus any incentives**, which are currently being offered. To qualify, you must have been a member of GCSC (or other CSC Club) for at least six (6) months. If you are interested, please notify Lea Givens at Livens2002@hotmail.com of your intent to participate. Subaru will mail the VIP information to you, which will include information about local dealers participating in the VIP program. Once you have received the information, you can go to a local dealer, pick out the Subaru that you want, the dealer will pull the invoice and let the purchaser know if there are any current incentives. The VIP Program will be in effect October 1, 2006. Please take advantage of this wonderful benefit that Crescent Racing Chairperson Ron Scott has secured for all CSC clubs.

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