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A Letter from the SWC President...

Have you renewed your membership yet?

Well, we did! A month late, but as a senior citizen, our time restraints don't seem as important as in previous years. Please renew if you haven't. The club is working on a Bombers weekend in December, the details are still in the works but it can be a great opportunity to start the season and stay at the house for cheap.

We also have openings in the fall for leaf peepers or bikers. Hiking at that time is also one of my favorite pastimes. Check the calendar, get a group together, head north. Stowe has it all. Enough about the house. We need to abide by our charter, so anyone interested in a position on the board, please send me an email. We have an opening for an activities chair.

The club is running an ad in the Adirondack Sports and Fitness. If you saw the ad and then renewed, or that is how you found out about the club, please let me know. We would like to know whether this means of communication is cost effective for the club.

Well, its 94 degrees in Orlando as I write this, and Bolton Valley sent me an email reminding me its 100 days until winter. I am looking forward to seeing members up at the house, and of course, shredding the mountain as a snowboarder in deep retirement.

Always chasing it!

Hope to see you soon, make a reservation, or send me an email.

johnbidell@yahoo.com

Early Ski Season Clinic.. formerly Bomber's

Submitted by Bill Kornrumpf



Ronda Anderson has retired as of leader of the Bombers ski clinic. She has handed over the reins to me since I have been assisting her in recent years. I will be sending out more information as soon as I have firm prices from SMR, SWC and Stowe Motel. There may be slight changes as the details are finalized.

When:

Friday, December 9 to Sunday, December 11

What:

Thursday Night: Welcome Party at Stowe Motel

Friday : 1/2 Day Free Skiing-Warm up & 1/2 Day Instruction

Saturday: All Day Instruction

Sunday: 1/2 Day Instruction and possible Optional Race

Who:

- Operated in Conjunction with the Stowe Ski School
- Student to Instructor Ratio Approximately 9 to 1
- Ski and Snowboard Instruction at All Levels, Never-Evers Too!

Where (Accommodations):

- Schenectady Wintersports Club Clubhouse (Space limited)
- The Stowe Motel on the Mountain Road (Choice of room types)

Known Details:

1. Lodging for up to 37 people will be available at the Schenectady Wintersports Club clubhouse in Waterbury Center. Only SWC members can book a room through ebidell@yahoo.com . The pricing is the standard SWC member rate of \$37.50/ night per person.

2. Lodging will be available at the Stowe Motel, and there will be a surcharge for rooms with extra amenities such as kitchenette, king beds and fireplaces. The pricing is in negotiation.

3. 3-day lift tickets will be available for \$225 if you do not have an Epic Pass.

When the details are finalized, a \$50 deposit for the clinic will be due by October 15. The deposit will be refundable up to November 15 when the final payment is due.

Email me at wkornrum@nycap.rr.com or call at [518-209-3244](tel:518-209-3244) if you would like to receive more information as it becomes available.



Caption: Bomber's 40th!

In the meantime, Think Early Snow!

Regards, Bill Kornrumpf

VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED!

Northeast Ski Expo returning Nov 5-6

Here's a great opportunity to introduce area skiers to the unique benefits of membership in our Schenectady Wintersports Club. Won't you please help?

We need volunteers for the SWC booth at the two-day Ski Expo returning to the Albany Capital Center on the weekend of November 5&6. Greet guests with stories of your SWC experience and the great savings opportunities SWC membership provides. Show them pictures of the clubhouse, provide them with a brochure, and hand them a membership application. It's as simple as that! Enjoy the smiles, share some laughter, with skiers looking forward to a great 2022-23 ski year!

Volunteers can sign up for a 2-hour shift, or an entire morning or afternoon session. It's your choice. And you can check out all the Ski Expo has to offer.

Interested? Send an email to Don Streed at dastreed@gmail.com to sign up and help out your SWC!

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Clubhouse Work Weekend Nov 4 - 6

By Bill Kornrumpf

Our first fall Clubhouse work weekend is officially from Friday, November 4 through Sunday, November 6. In order to register, you need to do two things to let us know in advance. Make your room reservation using the clubhouse reservation system, and make sure you email both Ellen Bidell at ebidell@yahoo.com and me at wkornrum@nycap.rr.com so that we can include you in the attendance list.

Some of us will be going up earlier to get some recreation in if the weather is good. If the weather is not great for outdoors recreation, we will make an early start on the list

of tasks. Feel free to join us any time starting Wednesday, November 2. We have a full list of projects. so come on up, the stay is free, and the meals are always great!

If you have a project suggestion, email me at wkornrum@nycap.rr.com or text me at [518-209-3244](tel:518-209-3244), and I will put it on the list. I'm happy to say we are not planning on any major structural projects this year. No new bathrooms or complete reworking of bedrooms! We have a list of smaller projects that were deferred while we completed major work during the last two years.

Put it on your calendar and come on up! There is always lots to accomplish.

Hosts Wanted

by Ellen Bidell

During the ski season, volunteers serve as hosts at the SWC lodge, creating the menu and shopping for ingredients, greeting guests, starting the fire, preparing meals and cleaning at the end of the weekend. Some hosts have created theme weekends around a holiday, sport or activity. You can decorate, create special menus or group outings, whatever you choose.

A few people have told me they are intimidated by the idea of being a host, particularly because of the cooking. Here are a few hacks to make it easy:

- Prepare the meal ahead of time and freeze it. This gives you more time to enjoy the mountain!
- Guests only pay \$10 for dinner, so if spaghetti and meatballs, a bagged salad and a pre-made cake are more your skill level, that's okay.
- Chances are there will be someone who likes to cook at the house, so enlist their support.

Some hosts create a sign in sheet for the tasks that are expected of guests:

- Prepping meals

- Washing dishes
- Cleaning
- Tending the fire

We would like to have most weekends hosted during the ski season. So, what do you get for hosting?

- You stay for free during your hosted weekend
- You will earn a free weekend for two over the next year (or any four nights of your choosing)

Don't want to host but still want to help when you are there? You can do a thorough cleaning at the end of the weekend and you get a free weekend for one.

Contact me at ebidell@yahoo.com to select a weekend to host or to learn more.

The Nascent Bow Paddler

By the Nascent Bow Paddler

“So, did it work?” he asked, looking over at me as he tied down the stern of the canoe to his car.

“Did what work?” I asked.

“The stinger. “

“The stinger?” I queried and thought for a moment and then it dawned on me.

“Oh! The Honey Stinger!” I exclaimed. “The energy goo. Hard to say. I don’t know. We were moving lightning fast weren’t we? So it must’ve worked. “

“We need to go faster, “ he said.

Faster?! I thought. Faster than lightning? Is that possible? This was the fastest I've traveled in a canoe, ever, in my entire 69 years of existence and it was lightning fast.

Trust me. Lightning fast! But if there is one thing I've learned in these last few weeks of being a Nascent Bow Paddler at Wednesday Night Time Trials, it's that you can always go faster. Yes! Always! No matter how fast you are going, or have gone, faster is just a nanosecond away, and you know you can do it, you know the next time you race you can be faster than lightning.

Treasurer's Report Q1 Fiscal Year 2023

	Current Year 2023	Prior Year 2022
Revenue		
Dues	4,400	4,986
Lodging	4,648	6,700
Donations	125	0
Revenue Total	9,173	11,686
Expenses - Administration		
Bank Fees	320	274
Marketing	395	107
Office Supplies	545	739
Expenses - Clubhouse		
Insurance	-323	7,452
Maintenance	858	750
Property Taxes	3,433	3,511
Utilities	2,134	1,428
Expense Total	7,362	14,261
Net Gain (Loss)	1,811	-2,575

Administration

- Dues received first quarter are down 13% from the first quarter of prior fiscal year.
- Expenses paid first quarter are up 31% from prior fiscal year primarily due to advertising promotion expense \$395.

Clubhouse

- Lodging paid receipts are down 30% from last year.
- Expenses paid are essentially equivalent to last year when consider current year insurance was prepaid last month of prior fiscal year to affect a \$1,000 reduction of annual insurance expense.
- Utilities expenses are up due to inflationary cost pressures.

Operating Income

- We have managed a cash gain of \$1,891 through the first three months of the current fiscal year, bringing our operating cash accounts to an 8/31/22 balance of \$37,130. This puts SWC in solid position to meet our current fiscal year obligations.

Respectfully,

Donald Streed, Treasurer



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