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Looking for Moose in all the wrong places...

Ellen and I have a little hobby, looking for moose. Yes, we are on all the Facebook groups, DEC sightings, and any news reports looking for the animals, but they continue to be elusive. Yesterday was a drive back into Moose River plains, great scenery, and pictures, but no large members of the deer family. New York has about 500 resident moose, but as of yet, the best we have done is seeing tracks. We have even taken our efforts to Maine and New Hampshire without success. Luckily, a recent two-week trip to Alaska did give us a chance of multiple sightings in Denali.

Now for my other hobby, what is new with the club. We have the work weekend coming up November 4 and we will be doing minor maintenance, biking, and however you want to spend the afternoon. We have the Bombers weekend, December 9. Instruction for all levels and discount Stowe tickets. And we are planning an open house Presidents week with all kinds of nightly activities for families and any other winter enthusiast. Start planning your winter getaway, we have heard that some members are concerned about availability at the house, book it now and if plans change refunds are available minus the Pay Pal fee.

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

johnbidell@yahoo.com

Early Ski Season Clinic.. formerly Bomber's - Ticket Prices Increase 10/9

Submitted by Bill Kornrumpf



Hurry! Lift ticket prices will increase this Sunday October 9th! Read further on how to get a 3-Day Stowe Lift Ticket Pass for \$216. (See Instructions BELOW).

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

Details:

- The Clinic is sponsored by SWC, and non-members receive a complimentary 1 yr. membership
- Limited rooms at the SWC Lodge in Waterbury Center, 3 nights for \$115 per person
- Stowe Motel rooms for 3 nights starting at \$185 per person double occupancy (see details below)
- 3-day lift tickets are \$240 if you don't have an Epic Pass and need tickets (price will increase 10/9)

- Lessons are \$300, includes ½ day Friday, full day Saturday, ½ day Sunday
- The \$60 deposit is due by Tuesday, October 25. The deposit is refundable until Tuesday, November 15 when the final payment is due.

Stowe Motel Prices:

Stowe Motel Rooms are per person, double occupancy for 3 nights

\$185 Stowe Motel Type 1 Room: 2 Queen Beds

\$205 Stowe Motel Type 2 Room: 2 Queen Beds & Efficiency Kitchen

\$225 Stowe Motel Deluxe Room with 2 Queens or 1 King (very limited) & Efficiency kitchen

Registration & Payment Instructions

Each person must register individually. Registration and payments for rooms, and lessons are via the SWC on-line payment website. Currently, SWC does not have a specific Ski Clinic registration webpage: **the SWC donation page is being used to register and pay.** We need your registration and deposit to hold your room.

Here are instructions to register and make a **\$60 deposit** or full payment by **October 25**. The order we receive your deposit establishes your priority for room assignments.

1. Go to www.swcweb.org
2. Scroll down and click on “**Make a Donation to SWC Lodge**”
3. You will be able to pay using your PayPal account or credit card
4. Fill in the information, including your phone number
5. Fill in **\$60 for the deposit** amount or **pay in full** at this time.
6. Fill in additional registration information in the **Comments** box:
 - a. Date of Birth (**Required by Stowe**)
 - b. Do you need **lift tickets** (I can help you with obtaining Epic Day Passes)
 - c. Do you want **Lessons**

- d. Select a class level: Advanced, upper, or lower Intermediate, Beginner, First Timer
- e. Will you be staying at the **SWC** Lodge or **Stowe Motel**
- f. What Stowe Motel room is desired: **Type1, Type 2, Deluxe**, other
- g. Name of your **roommate** (all prices are based on per person, double occupancy)
- h. Instructor or classmates you would like to be with

EXAMPLE Comments box might look like this:

Date of Birth: 06/20/1990

Lift Tickets: No, I have an Epic, No I have purchased a 3-day Epic Day Pass, Yes, I missed the date

Want lessons: Yes

What is your class level: Advanced Intermediate

Stowe Motel: Type 2 room (with kitchenette)

Roommate: Tom Jones

I would like to have Rick as an instructor and have Tom Jones & Dave Smith in my class

7. Click "**Pay with PayPal or by credit card**" to advance to the payment site "SWC Donations"

8. If the Total donation amount is correct, Click "**Purchase**"

9. You will be transferred to the PayPal website that we use for secure payments. You can use your PayPal account, or pay by credit card by Clicking "**Pay with Debit or Credit Card**".

10. You will be transferred to the "Check out as a guest" page: Click "**Continue to Payment**"

11. You are finally at the "Pay with debit or credit card" page: Fill in your payment information

12. Click “**Pay Now**” and you are done.

13. You will receive an email confirming the transaction.

Most people have Epic Passes and do not need tickets. So, I was not able to get a group rate for the Clinic.

But the good news is that you can get a three-day Epic Day Pass for only \$216 if you purchase before October 9.

*The web address for the Day Pass is: <https://www.epicpass.com/passes/epic-day-pass>. You must choose the **non-holiday and 32 resort options for the \$216 rate for 3 days**. If you think you will be skiing more days at Stowe, the daily price goes down. This is a great deal as the walk-up price is going to be close to \$200 for holiday skiing.*

I don't have the exact lift ticket prices, but I am sure they will not get much below \$100 if they make it that low during the season. Give me a call and we can talk about this.

Email me at wkornrum@nycap.rr.com or call at **518-209-3244** if you have any questions or have special needs such as more than two in a room or specific room requests and I will try to accommodate you.

Remember, your **final payment is due by Nov 15th** and the **deposit is only refundable until Nov 15th**.

We're looking forward to seeing you back. Spread the word to invite new participants!

Bill Kornrumpf



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.

Burnt Hills Community Winter Sports Equipment Sale

The annual Winter Sports Equipment Sale will be held Saturday, October 22 from 9:00 am to Noon at the Burnt Hills United Methodist Church, 816 Rt. 50, Burnt Hills. This annual event gives the community an opportunity to recycle winter sporting equipment. This year the sale will be held outside under tents on the church grounds.

All types of winter sports equipment including downhill and cross-country skis, boots, skates, snowboards, sleds and winter sports clothing will be sold, both new and used.

Items for consignment sale may be delivered to the church on *Thursday, October 20 between 6:00 pm and 9:00 pm or on Friday, October 21 between 5:00 pm and 9:00 pm*. Downhill skis with out-of-date bindings will not be accepted. Sellers determine the cost of the articles for sale and receive 75% of the sale price. Sellers must come to the church on October 22 between 1:00 pm and 3:00 pm to pick up sale proceeds or unsold items.

Donations of winter sports equipment are also gladly accepted. Equipment donations can be dropped off during the week of 10/17 – 10/21, M-F 8:30 am until 12:30 PM at the church, or during the consignment hours listed above.

For more information, please contact the Church Office at [518-399-5144](tel:518-399-5144).

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.

Cleaner Needed

We are still having trouble finding a Cleaner for the SWC Lodge.

If you are interested, or know someone who could be interested, please contact Ellen at ebidell@yahoo.com.

93rd Annual Thanksgiving Breakfast

The breakfast event will be held at the Christman Bird and Wildlife Sanctuary, 3281 Schoharie Turnpike, Delanson, NY 12053, on Thursday, November 24.

This carry-in, carry-out event starts at 8am, serving pancakes, sausages, and coffee or bring your own breakfast along w/ plates and eating utensils.

If you attend, please help the organizers carry in the breakfast items, and have a good time!

Annual SWC Wintersports Weekend

February 3 – 6, 2023

Join Us! At Beautiful Rock and River Lodge, Keene, NY.

Fall is here and the Adirondacks are showing their best colors, but soon the snow will be flying! Now is a good time to start making plans for winter sports. You won't have far to go, Rock & River Lodge in Keene, NY.

Our group of 25 has been renting the entire two, well-appointed lodges for a weekend for over 30 years. It is located right at the southern end of the Jack Rabbit trail and ideal for X-C skiing out the door, at Mt Van Hoevenberg, Cascade or countless other area destinations. Downhill skiing at Whiteface, snowshoeing or visiting nearby Lake Placid and Saranac Lake - so many choices! We share breakfasts, potluck dinners and spend evenings by the large fireplace, in the gracious living room area (games, puzzles) or downstairs for ping pong and foosball. High speed internet throughout. All linens provided.

Check out the lodge at <https://rockandriver.com/lodging/>

At press time we still have Three rooms available: two of the rooms each have a queen bed and private bath, and the third room/suite has a queen bed downstairs and two single beds in a loft with a private bath to be shared by 3-4 people.

For questions and reservations contact [Margie Litwin 518-928-0600](tel:518-928-0600),
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