SPARTANBURG SKI & OUTING CLUB

Aug. 3rd: Club Meeting at the Butschers NOTE: This is the correct date.

Calendar inside is mis-printed.



Aug. 11th - 9:30 AM Blueberry Pickin' Hike in the Shining Rock Wilderness





Aug. 23rd - 6:30 PM Mini-Social at Five Spices





Aug. 25th - 9:30 AM Raft & Rail Outing

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http://www.spartanburgskiclub.org

Ted's Corner

I hope everyone had a good Fourth of July. There were plenty of fireworks throughout Spartanburg. The membership meeting was a little disappointing in that only 12 people showed up at Elke's. Considering that it was the Fourth of July week and a lot of people were on vacation, maybe the attendance wasn't all that bad. The next membership meeting will be on the 3rd of August at the Butschers on Lake Bowen. This will be the last summer meeting before we go back to the Art Center. Right now we don't know which Art Center (old or new), but we will be informed soon. Watch next month's newsletter for the info.

We had a busy board meeting this month. The Club By-Laws were revised and approved by the board. If you would like a copy let me know and I will send you one by e-mail. The new By-Laws will also be available at the next membership meeting if you would like a copy.

We had a good crowd for the Flat Rock Playhouse. The play was funny and a group of us had dinner at Haus Heidelberg in Hendersonville afterwards. Good German beer!!

Lot's of activities for August. Allison has been busy. We have Blueberry picking (eat as you pick or carry them home) on the 11th and the Raft and Rail Trip on the 26th. If you like old trains and beautiful scenery, don't miss it.

Hickory Knob is in October and we have not had much response, yet. It is a very inexpensive golf weekend or if you don't golf you can go fishing or swimming. They also serve a great breakfast. Don't miss it.

We are looking for some one to take over the newsletter next year. Taylor has done a terrific job over the last ten years, but he would like to go on to other things. If you have any desire to run the newsletter, please let me know.

We also have an opening for the Club Historian (used to be Special Projects Director). This position is responsible for putting the scrapbook together. It's an opportunity to let your creative side come forth. Let me know if you have an interest.

Ted

Membership

Soon the next membership year will start and the Board decided to give you good news by keeping the Renewal rate at last years level, Single \$30.00 and Family \$40.00.

We will charge for new members an initiation fee of \$5.00 in addition to the regular membership fee as stated above.

In Sept and Oct we will ask you to renew your membership, by filling out the new form 2007/08 and sending along a check. We look forward having you in the club and enjoying your camaraderie.

Happy Summer time, Sam

Mini-Socials

As promised, we're taking a culinary trip around the world for our next few mini-socials.

Coming up for the month of July, we're meeting at the west side Bronco's Mexican Restaurant on 352 East Blackstock Road. It's at 6:30 Tuesday the 24th and their phone number is 576-7250.

Indian food is the specialty at 5 Spices on 930 East Main Street. The date is August 23, a Thursday. Again we'll meet at 6:30. 591-1755.

We'll have a taste of the exotic at Thai Taste, Wednesday September 12 at 6:30. Phone number 595-6040, 145 South Port Road.

Next is our Octoberfest standby, Gerhard's Cafe. They're located at 1200 East Main Street. 591-1920. This mini is on Tuesday October 9th at 6:30.

You don't have to be a member to go to our mini's - or even a potential member. Everybody has to eat and it's a good excuse to invite somebody who could use a little socializing with a lively and animated group of people.

We usually have from 16 to 20 plus people attending the minis. I've had many interesting conversations with our members and guests. We're a diversified lot!

Looking forward to seeing more of you.

Pat Lee 472-2253

COMIN' AROUND THE MOUNTAIN

All Aboard!

Don't miss the train or find yourself on the wrong side of the tracks!

Meet your fellow ski clubbers at the Bryson City Depot on Saturday, August 25th for a day of fun in the mountains and on the river.

Rail only - \$40/adult, \$ 20/children
Rail & Raft - \$74/adult, \$54/children (over 7 or at least 60lbs)
(lunch included for rafters)



Please meet at the Bryson City Depot at 9:30 am – the train leaves at 10:30 sharp. All tickets must be paid for in advance and the DEADLINE will be the August meeting at the Butscher's. You will pick your tickets up at the depot. Small coolers only and no "visible potent potables" please.

All tickets include entrance to the Smoky Mountain Trains Museum in Bryson City. Directions are below and for more information, you can go to their website at: www.gsmr.com

Please make checks payable to SSOC and get to me before the August meeting!

Directions to the GSMR's Bryson City Railroad Depot

Physical Address:

226 Everett Street Bryson City, NC 28713

From Asheville, NC: Take I-40 W toward Knoxville, TN. Take exit 27 onto US 74 W toward Waynesville. Drive on US 74 for 40 miles until you reach Bryson City exit 67. Bear right at the end of the exit ramp onto Veterans Blvd. Turn right onto Main St at the first traffic light on Veterans Blvd, then turn left onto Everett St at the next light. At the first traffic light on Everett, turn left onto Mitchell St.

GSMR will be on your

Parking for the right.

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SPARTANBURG - CRESCENT





CRESCENT SKI WEEK

January 12 to 19, 2008

The Crescent Ski Council's annual ski week heads to Mammoth, California this January!

The king of the Sierras, Mammoth Mountain boasts twenty-nine ski lifts to access it's 3,500 acres and 150 trails. Blanketed by 400 inches of snow each year, this is your opportunity to experience one of Crescent's favorite destinations.

Your Package Includes:

- Seven nights deluxe slopeside condominium lodging:
 The Juniper Springs Resort
- All lodging taxes
- Five-day lift pass
- Mountain Tour
- Wine & Cheese Party
- Welcome Reception
- Farewell Dinner and Dance
- Round Trip Charter Transfer
- Souvenir Crescent T-shirt!
- Discounted group lessons and ski rentals
- Optional ski day at June Mountain

\$1474 Air - Inclusive

\$950 land -only Non - skiers deduct \$270

<u>For more information please</u>

contact:

Carol McCall mmccall1@alltel.net (828) 859-5500



Crescent Ski Council 2007 Fall Leadership & Training Meeting

WHEN: October 19 - 21, 2007

WHERE: Days Inn: Blowing Rock, North Carolina

Hwy 321 Bypass, 8412 Valley Road, Blowing Rock, NC

828-295-4422

\$98.10 (per night (plus 12.75% tax) 1-4 people per room Call and make your own room reservations ©

COST: FREE! All workshop fees and lunch are being covered by the Crescent Ski Council; so take advantage of this

opportunity of learning for your club members. (Except for the CPR Accreditation Class)

*Options are extra, see below.

DEADLINES: HOTEL REGISTRATION: Wednesday, September 19, 2007 (No guarantee of room availability after this date)

CONFERENCE & PARTY REGISTRATION: Monday, October 1, 2007

SCHEDULE:

Friday 1:30 pm -4:30 pm Executive Committee Meeting

4:00 pm Hotel Check-in 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm Registration

5:00 pm - 7:30 pm Early Bird: TBA - Looking for Venue

Evening Dinner on your own

Saturday 7:00 am - 8:00 am Continental Breakfast: Included & Registration at Appalachian Ski Mountain

8:00 am - 9:30 am Dryland Clinic w/Jim Cottrell from French-Swiss Ski School (All) at Appalachian Ski

Mountain

Committee Meetings

9:30 am - 12:00 pm Trips & Racing 9:30 am - 11:00 am Administrative

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm *Lunch on site & Race Worker's Meeting

Workshops

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Tuning Today's Clubs to Tomorrow's Markets

1:00 pm - 3:30 pm Emergency First Response & CPR Accreditation w/ Eileen Kennedy

(Pre-registration & Payment of \$30 Required)

SAT. NIGHT 6:00 pm - Midright *Party at Fairway Café with DJ (DJ will play from 7:30 pm until 11:30 pm)

Sunday 8:00 am CSC Fall Board Meeting Breakfast (Provided By CSC) at Daniel Boone Inn in Boone

9:00 am CSC Fall Board Meeting

11:00 am Hotel Checkout

*Extra Options

Lunch: Wood lands BBQ will provide Lunch. (Pork Plate with fixings; May substitute Bean Burrito but MUST know in advance)

Special Workshop: CPR Accreditation w/ Eileen Kennedy (Pre-registration & Payment of \$30 Required)

SAT. NIGHT PARTY: Catered Dinner by Bandanas, Cash Bar, & DJ: Cost \$ \$15.00

TRIP INFORMATION

24th ANNIVERSARY STEAMBOAT RACE CAMP/SKI SCHOOL TRIP 2007

SIGN-UP: All applicants must be a member of a Crescent Ski Council affiliated club at time of the trip to participate. Applicant's membership will be verified by CSC. Everyone must sign-up directly with our travel agent, Sports America Tours (SAT) in Santa Rosa, CA SAT will require a filled out & signed application form to be confirmed onto the trip. Checks must be made payable to SAT.

SIGN-UP PERIOD: Sign-up period begins May 28, 2007 and ends November 12, 2007. SAT will not accept any form of application for sign-up prior to, nor after this period.

TRIP DATES: December 1-8, 2007

PACKAGE COST(VARIES): \$820 is the "base" rate in a 3B/3B unit, which is limited in quantity (usually about 120 spaces). Other rates/options are available (see below).

WHAT'S INCLUDED:

7 nights lodging at The Lodge @ Steamboat

6 daylift ticket

5 full days of lessons (may be deducted)

3 Lunches (M-W-F) - all participants with lift ticket

Welcome Wine & Cheese

KegPartv

Western BBQ Dinner

Awards Dinner and Door Prizes

NASTAR Race

Free shuttle bus service within Steamboat

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED:

3% Credit Card Fee charged by SAT (if CC is used)

Air Fare (SAT will handle for you if you wish)

Ground Transportation (SAT has bus & rental car options)

Other meals not specifically listed.

Equipment rentals (Special Crescent discount at SportsStalker)

This trip is set-up as a race camp/ski school program, and everyone is encouraged to participate. Previous participants can attest to the overall benefit of this type program. If you have never tried it, you should, you will probably be pleasantly surprised. However, if you desire, the lesson portion may be deducted. Also, there are other deducts & adds, especially for children 12 and under.

per PERSON RATES (does NOT incl. 3% credit card fee)

REGULAR RACE & SKILESSONS			
The Lodge @ SB	3B/8B	2B/2B	1B/IB
Normal Occupancy	\$820	\$840	\$1,005
Normal Occ. + 1	\$785	\$785	\$860
Normal Occ. + 2	\$760	\$750	\$785

Children 6-15 in beginner lessons			
The Lodge @ SB	3B/8B	2B/2B	1B/1B
Normal Occupancy	\$870	\$890	\$1,055
Normal 0 cc. + 1	\$835	\$835	\$910
Normal 0 ∞ . + 2	\$810	\$800	\$835

Children <6 in Kids Vacation Center			
The Lodge @ \$B	3B/8B	2B/2B	1B/IB
Normal Occupancy	\$675	\$695	\$860
Normal Occ. + 1	\$640	\$640	\$715
Normal 0 ∞ . + 2	\$615	\$605	\$640

DEDUCTS	3B/8B	2B/2B	1B/IB
Lodging (Normal Occ)	\$255	\$275	\$440
Lesson	\$255		
Lift	\$194		
Lesson+Lift+Lunch	\$489		
*Child 13-19	\$13		
* Child 6 - 12	\$34		

DEDUCTS	3B/8B	2B/2B	1B/IB
Lodging (Normal Occ)	\$255	\$275	\$440
Lesson		\$345	
Lift	\$194		
Lesson+Lift+Lunch	\$5 39		
*Child 13-19	\$13		
*Child 6-12	\$34		

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3B/8B	2B/2B	1B/IB
\$255	\$275	\$440
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Private Bedroom	\$255	\$275	\$440
Lift Ticket (per Day)	\$34		

FRIDAY RACE: Included in the lesson package, but others with a lift ticket may also participate by paying a \$5 Fee.

QUESTIONS:

CSC Steamboat Trip Leader	Sports America Tours	John Casey
141 Stony Circle #155	120 Gilder Creek Dr.	
Santa Rosa, CA 95401	Greenville, SC 29607	
800-876-8551 or 707-575-7547, xt 109 (Sara)	864-288-0866 home & Fax	
707-575-7624 fax	864-313-0032 cell	
csc@sportsamerica.com	casey ohn@earthlink.net	

NEW RAFFLE ITEM AT THE MEMBERSHIP MEETING

This month at the meeting, we will be holding a Raffle instead of a split the pot. We have several items that have been donated by club members. As usual it will be \$1.00 per ticket, or \$5.00 for 6 tickets. Come see what the item is for August, and if you can donate something, new or slightly used but in good condition, that we can raffle, please let me know. I think we have some very nice things so far for the next few months but can use more. My number is **592-3405**.

And don't forget, we have a 20 x 18 foot tent and 4 six-foot long tables at an extremely nice price. \$45.00 for the whole package, or you may rent any part of it. Ask your neighbors and family, they can rent it through you as a club member.

So don't forget to call me...Conni



Blueberries ...
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Blueberries ...

August 11, 2007 &

Coming soon ... wine tasting, Oktoberfest, Good things come to those who wait!

Skiers, let's meet in October for a "Big Social" at the Oktoberfest

Willkommen to Oktoberfest ~ Spartanburg! Saturday, October 13, 2007 7:00PM • \$35.00 Spartanburg Memorial Auditorium

The International Festival Society* is planning its biggest Oktoberfest event to date! This year's event will be held on Saturday, October 13 at Spartanburg Memorial Auditorium. IFS has partnered with Spaten Brewery of Munich, Germany to bring the taste, sounds, feel and Gemütlichkeit of the original Munich Oktoberfest to Spartanburg You may find additional information on the link:

http://www.oktoberfestspartanburg.com/index.html

Hey ... don't forget about Hickory Knob State Park in October. There are lots of golfers in our club ... everyone from that "A" player all the way down to that "D" player (moi) ~~ so, I'm counting on you to make this trip happen! All non-golfers are of course welcome, and sometimes they have more fun than the golfers!

The package rate for 2 nights lodging, 2 full breakfast buffets, 2 rounds of golf & a cart is only \$120 per person. Non-golfers (sharing a room with a golfer) is priced at \$94 per person which includes their breakfast pretty good deal folks!

The dates are October 5th & 6th. Please let me know if you are interested – rooms are still available. Thanks.

Alison

BLUEBERRIES

Spartanburg troops are going to march into the blueberry fields in the Shining Rock Wilderness once again this year. Our attack will be on Saturday, August 11th. Our march will be about a mile of easy hiking. Bring lunch, sunscreen, sturdy shoes, and a pail or cut-off milk carton.

Staging area will be as follows:

Drive North on I-26 towards Asheville. Take exit # 37 (Skyland/Long Shoals Rd). Rendevous at 9:30 hours at McDonald's/Shell Station. We will form a convoy to Ivestor Gap parking lot on the Blue Ridge Parkway.

Last year's berries were enjoyed by all in pies, muffins, and moonshine(!). Let us know if you are coming.

Mark & Carol 828-859-5500 h 864-580-0891 c

Top Reasons That You Should Plan to Ski with The Crescent Ski Council

It's going to be a blast

A good time is guaranteed.

We travel by plane

· No wasted time.

Great snow conditions

Plenty of activities

 Snowmobiling, cross country skiing, Ice Skating, Sleigh rides and more.

Great Scenery

• The most beautiful scenery in the world.

Great Camaraderie

 You never have to ski alone. Join with members of 24 Crescent Ski Clubs.

What Kind of an Expert Are You?

The general public thinks that ski clubs are populated with "expert skiers" therefore there is no place for them in a ski club because they are "not very good skiers." What a fallacy! Crescent ski clubs welcome beginning skiers and "never evers." What a great place to learn to ski or just to become a better skier. Ski clubs provide skiers with a better way to get to the resorts a little bit cheaper and with less hassle. It's time to get the idea across to those people that ski club members are experts—experts at having a good time while skiing, in whatever manner they can muster.

Ski clubs have expert snowplowers, expert dressers, expert hot tubbers, expert sleepers, expert snow drivers and expert party people. Anyone who is an expert at having a good time belongs in a ski club, whether they are a couple, single, divorced or a family complete with children! Ski clubs need all kinds of experts and, if you happen to be an expert skier, ski clubs need you too!!

SPARTANBURG SKI & OUTING CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2007-2008

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Subaru VIP Discount Program

Subaru is a proud sponsor of the Crescent Ski Council 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 be a member of a CSC club for at least 6 months. If you are interested, please notify Ted or Mark of your intent to participate.

Subaru will mail the VIP information to you, which will include information about local dealers and 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 from October 1, 2006 through September 30, 2007. Please take advantage of this wonderful benefit that our own Ron Scott secured for all CSC clubs.

REMINDERS

Any Spartanburg Ski Club member may submit items for publication in the newsletter. Publication deadlines can be found on the pullout calendar included in the newsletter each month. Call Taylor for information on how to submit your newsletter item.

Also, don't forget - the club has a "tent" available for rent. It is an 18 X 20 tent, and it is easy to assemble. We also have 4 tables that can be rented with or without the tent. We have the makings for that special occasion and it is all very reasonably priced! Tent rental is \$ 25. Tables can be rented for \$5 per table. Remember; don't have a party without the comfort of shade. Your guests will appreciate it and so will the club! For rentals of either tent or tables contact Joy Bobo.

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