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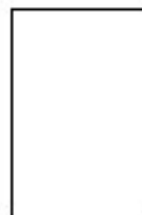
Any Spartanburg Ski & Outing Club Member may submit items for publication in the newsletter. Publication deadlines may be found on the "Schedule of Upcoming Events" on Page 3. Call Charlie for information on how to submit your newsletter item.

Also, don't forget, the club has an opensided 'tent' available for rent. It is 18'x20' in size, and is easy to erect. We also have 4 tables that may be rented, with or without the tent. These makings for that special occasion are offered at very extremely prices! Tent rentals are \$25 per occasion and tables are \$5 per table per occasion. Bear in mind, don't have a festive occasion without the comfort of shade. Both your guests and you will appreciate it and so will the club! Contact Joy Bobo for rental of the tent and/or tables.

Become a Member

A copy of our membership application is located at the following web address:
<http://www.spartanburgskiclub.org/membership/socapp1.doc>

SPARTANBURG SKI & OUTING CLUB
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SPARTANBURG SKI & OUTING CLUB

 A Member of the Crescent Ski Council 

May 1, Thursday - 7:00PM CLUB MEETING and BOOK SALE
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May 10, Saturday - 3:00PM GREENVILLE DRIVE BASEBALL
See Page 6

May 20, Tuesday 8:30 Mini Social
O'CHARLEY'S
See Page 6

June 7, Saturday 2:00-? PIG ROAST
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June 12, Thursday MUSIC on MAIN
FUNDRAISER
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MAY 2008

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**BOARD of DIRECTORS
SPARTANBURG SKI & OUTING CLUB
2008 - 2009**

It's good to be back in the USA. Five European countries in two weeks is a bit much. Unfortunately it was all business and although there was still snow on the ground most of the resorts were closed. The scenery was outstanding though.

The year for the new board of the Ski and Outing club has begun. The board is actively planning next year's activities. Last month we had Stone Soup/Bingo and the Poconos Passage hike as well as the Piedmont Club Dinner and Installation. The minisocial was at Jade Garden in Boiling Spring. All were well attended.

We have a Greenville Drive baseball game on the 10th of May, with 5 tickets still remaining as of this writing. Contact Mike Eagan at 578-0418 for information.

Don't forget to get your tickets from Alison Kimball for the pig roast on June 10th. Tickets are limited. This will be the first pig roast we have had for many years. Lots of work is going to go into this function and we need your help to make it a success. If you would like to volunteer to help, contact Alison at 814-5372.

May's minisocial will be at O Charley's and June will be at the Mellow Mushroom. What kind of mushrooms are we talking about here? Sounds like shades of the sixties. See you there.

We will have another book sale at the May meeting. If you missed the last one here is a good opportunity to pick up some good books. Reading is good for you. It improves the mind. Some of us that are getting a little on in years may need all the help we can get. Come early before the best books are taken.

We still have open board positions available for anyone wishing to participate in running the club. Call or e-mail me if you wish to participate. It's not that hard, people and it doesn't take that much time.

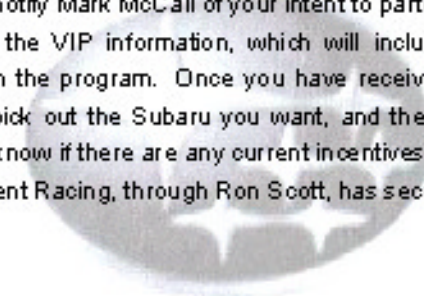
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Subaru VIP Discount Program

Subaru is a proud sponsor of the Crescent Ski Council Racing program. Part of their sponsorship package this year included the VIP Discount Program for all CSC members. Qualifying members of any CSC club can purchase a new Subaru at 2% below dealer cost minus any incentives which are currently being offered. To qualify you must have been a member of Spartanburg Ski Club [or other CSC club] for at least 6 months. If you are interested please notify Mark McCall of your intent to participate.

Subaru will mail you the VIP information, which will include information about local dealers participating in the program. Once you have received the information you can go to a local dealer, pick out the Subaru you want, and the dealer will pull the invoice and let the purchaser know if there are any current incentives. Please take advantage of this benefit that Crescent Racing, through Ron Scott, has secured for all CSC clubs.



ATTENTION INTERNET DOWNLOADERS

Viewing and printing pdf files will be a little different than in the past. The page view will display two pages rather than one in the past. Thus, unless you are using "legal" size paper the result on "letter" size paper will be smaller, and in some instances, too small to read.

To read an article easier, continue to do what you have in the past, simply use the magnifier button on the toolbar. To print a portion of a page follow the following directions:

1. Choose TOOLS > SELECT & ZOOM > SNAPSHOT TOOL
2. Drag around the area you want to print. (Reader copies the selected area to the clipboard.)
3. Choose FILE > PRINT to print the selection.

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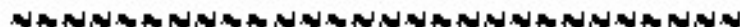
Thank You Racers

I would like to thank the club members that represented our club in the Crescent Ski Council race series. There were many early mornings, tiring drives, seemingly endless gate keeping duties and motels with more character than style [Smoketree and Hidden Valley]. All in all our experiences were positive as our ability to ski around the gates improved and post race celebrations were more frequent.

Points are awarded at each race and at the season's end Marcy Cassady was high for our ladies and Taylor Bomar was high for our men.

Racing for Spartanburg Ski Club were: Bryan Bobo, Taylor Bomar, Marcy Cassady, Bobby Joe Collins, Sam Linder, Megan Marreel-Alley, Stephany Marreel, Carol McCall, Katelin McCall, Kevin McCall, Nick Mills, Jake Parrish, Elke Schoelkopf and Kent Welke.

Thank you,
Mark McCall
 Race Director



THINGS ARE TOUGH!

A skier collided with a deer at Maine's Sugarloaf. The accident was seen by several skiers on a lift, who said the deer from the woods at the side of the Haulback run and raced straight into the skier. Neither man nor deer was reported injured by the collision, although both fell over.

< Courtesy of The National Ski Club Newsletter >

SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY	
01 Thursday	7:00 Club Meeting – "Last Chance Book Sale" – Page 9
10 Saturday	3:00 Greenville Drive ballgame and Dinner – Page 8
11 Sunday	Mother's Day
15 Thursday	TBA Board Meeting @ Mueller/Harrell's
18 Sunday	Newsletter Deadline
20 Tuesday	6:30 Mini-Social – O'Charley's – Page 8
26 Monday	Memorial Day
JUNE	
05 Thursday	Club Meeting TBA
07 Saturday	2:00 Pig Roast – Page 5
12 Thursday	TBA Music on Main – Page 4
TBA	Board Meeting
JULY	
TBA	Club "meeting" TBA
04 Friday	Independence Day
17 Thursday	Board Meeting TBA
AUGUST	
TBA	Club "meeting" TBA
21 Thursday	TBA Board Meeting @ Marcy's
24 Sunday	2:15 Flat Rock Playhouse – Page 9
SEPTEMBER	
04 Thursday	TBA Club Meeting
DECEMBER	
06-13	CSC Western Trip - Steamboat Springs, Colorado
JANUARY 09	
17-24	CSC Western Trip – Big Sky, Montana

Volunteers are needed for all positions for our biggest fundraiser of the year. Right now I only have 16 volunteers, 7 of those on the beer wagons. We are requested to have at least 20 people in attendance. Those of you wishing to work the beer wagons but have not taken the State required Alcohol Training Class need not worry. There will be classes offered in May and one available at our June meeting. If you have never volunteered for this event, please come and join us. It's a good way to meet our other members and we always have a HUGB time working this for the city.

I'm taking sign ups now by phone, B-mail or in person so contact me as soon as possible and come out and help support your club and the city!

Conni Harrell
Fundraising Chairperson
592-3405

What a great hike we had along the Poinsett Passage on April 5th. The weather was perfect and the hike ... not too bad. Thirteen of us made the trek and then we enjoyed some good eats at Side Street Pizza in Tryon. Many thanks to Mark for leading the way. Marcy & Elke ... be careful, there may be gag awards in your future!!

ALISON

LAST CHANCE BOOK SALE

Don't forget to come and buy some book at our May membership meeting. We've gotten many new ones in and have also had some board games donated, so come look them over and get your pick.

Nothing will be over \$3.00. I will be set up in the lobby again beginning about 5 PM. If you have any more books you want to donate, or games, bring them to me that night. Remember this is YOUR ski club we are raising funds for.

Thank you in advance!
Conni Harrell
Fundraising Chairperson

AND THEN THERE WERE NONE
By Agatha Christie

Flat Rock Playhouse
Sunday, August 24, 2008 at 2:15 pm



TI available for purchase beginning at the May membership meeting. Price & details are TBD ... it's a mystery by one of the masters of suspense, and we know it will be an entertaining afternoon, followed by dinner somewhere perhaps??

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Greenville Drive
May 10, 2008, 7:00 PM
West End, Greenville

Join us for a fun adventure to Greenville for a minor league baseball game with the Greenville Drive and the Rome Braves. We will explore the West End, Reedy River Park and have an early dinner prior to the ball game.

Game tickets will be \$8.50 each and there are 14 available.

We will meet at 3:00 PM at Applebee's parking lot on the Westside and carpool. The parking at the West End is on the street or parking garages. We will have an early dinner at one of the West End restaurants, possibly The Mellow Mushroom. The game starts at 7:00 PM.

This was very enjoyable last year and we hope you will join us this year.

Please either call or e-mail for your reservations and send a check to me made payable to SSOC. We only have five tickets left, so act fast.

Mike Rogers
864-578-0618
krozier@bellsouth.net



Mini Socials

Maig's "mini social" will be held at O'Shea's on Blackstock Road near Westgate Mall on the 20th at 6:30.

On June 20th we'll meet at the Mellow Mushroom for outside dining in downtown Spartanburg. Mark your calendars!

PIG ROAST TICKETS ... NOW ON SALE!

Adults \$15.00
Children 7-12 \$7.00
Children under 6 Free

Saturday, June 7th, 2:00 PM until ?
Elke's home on Lake Bowen

Please purchase your tickets from me. Directions to Elke's are on the tickets. Tickets are numbered and yours will be reserved, to be picked up at the admission table upon your arrival. Admittance cost includes all the pig you can eat, side dishes, desserts and beverages and lots of fun in the sun.

We are also planning to have a fundraiser of some sort for the club, if you have an item you can contribute, please let Conni know at 592-3405.

Please make your checks payable to SSOC and mail to:
Alison Kimball, 166 Ivy Circle, Inman, SC 29349
Or.... pay me at the club meetings.

ALL TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE SO AS TO PROVIDE A
HEADCOUNT ... DEADLINE: MAY 31st.

(Rain or Shine - How Refreshable!)

PIG ROAST ADMISSION TABLE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

I'm looking for people who would be willing to volunteer one hour at the ticket table after the first hour. I will be asking sign-ups at the May membership meeting or you may contact me at mcarstevens12@earthlink.net, 383-1718 or, sometimes, 494-3720. Thanks in advance for your help.

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**CLASSIFIED ADS
AND
ADVERTISING 101 MADE EASY**

Club members who own a business or work for a business or would just like to advertise may do so in our newsletter at a reduced rate. Rates for club members are \$8.00 for a business card for one month and a maximum of \$25.00 for a full page per month. If you are interested in advertising in our club newsletter or desire information on other rates, please contact me by phone at 864-592-3405 or E-mail at Tedconcom@wvconnect.com.

Our newsletter will also print Want Ads or items For Sale. There is no charge to our members for these. Got some ski equipment for sale, or looking for a particular item? Post it here. Non-ski related items are also welcome. Again, you may contact me at the above contact address or phone number.

**Conni Harrell
Advertising Director**

Please be aware of The United Airlines second bag issue: United Airlines has announced that, by next ski season, they will allow only one checked bag weighing 50 pounds or less for most passengers and that a \$25 service fee will be applied to additional bags. Obviously, this will mandate a charge of \$25 for most skiers flying to a North American resort on United. If you would like to comment on the new charge and let them know that your club will take this fact into consideration when booking next season's ski trips, contact Pamela A. Coslet, General Manager for customer relations at 877-228-1327 or customer.relations@united.com.

The National Ski Council Federation's response to United: In light of United Airlines recent announcement to begin charging \$25 for checking a second piece of luggage by non-favored passengers, the National Ski Council Federation NSCF responded to the United bag issue saying that "...the best defense is not to take on United in this situation, but to encourage the other major carriers to not follow United's lead. The Federation has advised their member councils, clubs and individual members to steer their flight plans away from United this spring when they start planning their 2008-09 trips. They noted that United is waiting until May 5 to actually start charging this service fee, after the traditional ski season. Their schedule also allows time for the other airlines to follow their lead or choose to leave their policies as has been the tradition. If we can keep the remaining carriers from changing their policies, United may be forced to rescind the new charges in order to remain competitive. Please join the federation in sending letters of encouragement to the other airlines to not follow United's lead. More information, including sample letters to the airlines and any breaking information can be found at www.ski federation.org.

< Courtesy of National Ski Club Newsletter – March 2008 >