

# CONNECTICUT SKI COUNCIL

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

What a fantastic On Snow Weekend! I would like to thank all the volunteers who made this event possible: Rob, Jackie, Dennis, Jane, Alan and Sue to name just a few. Without you On Snow would not have been such a great event!

And to all of you who came to race, dance, scorekeep, compete and have fun - THANKS. This was one of our best-attended On Snow weekends ever! We soon will be requesting proposals for next year's carnival - we'll keep you posted so you can save the date.

There is a lot coming up for the Connecticut Ski Council. Elections of officers for next year is the first on the agenda. This will happen at our April monthly meeting.

The annual Race Awards Night will take place on April 12 at 7:00 PM, just before our regular meeting. Check our website for results of the State Races and overall finishes. Thanks again to Mt. Southington for another great year.

Boston Mt. Travel Expo '05 takes place on May 4 and everyone is invited. This is a great chance for clubs to get information on over 50 resorts and get in touch with tour operators from the US, Canada and Europe to assist you in planning

your club's annual ski trip. Here's the info: Wed., May 4, 6:30-9:30 PM at the Andover Country Club, Andover, MA. Directions available at [www.andovercountryclub.com](http://www.andovercountryclub.com). There will be hors d'oeuvres and door prizes. They are providing us with a free busride, dinner included. Bus leaves Meriden Ramada Inn at 4 PM. **I must know if you want to go no later than April 11.**

We have requested a proposal for a new design and update of our website. We'll let you know how that is progressing.

I will remind you again that we are all ambassadors of the Connecticut Ski Council and as such must act accordingly. Please continue to show your appreciation to the area mountains for working with us on our Bulk Ticket and Awareness Days programs every season. With their help, skiing and snowboarding are affordable for the average family. We need to communicate that joining a club in the CSC is the way to receive that benefit. Please feel free to contact me with any ideas or comments at [president@skiclub.com](mailto:president@skiclub.com).

I want to thank you one and all for your time, dedication and energy -and for a great year as president of the CSC!  
Rich Cholewinski

## AGENDA

APRIL 12, 2005

- 8:00 - Monthly Business Meeting
- . Roll Call
- . Secretary's Report
- . Treasurer's Report
- . Racing Report
- . 2005 On Snow Followup
- . 2005 Snowball Report
- . Executive Committee Report
- . Technology Committee Report
- . New Business
- . Election of Officers

Next Meeting: May 10, 2005

## PLEASE NOTE

Election of officers of the Connecticut Ski Council for the 2005-2006 season will take place at the April 12, 2005 meeting. The slate of candidates is as follows:  
President - Rich Cholewinski  
Vice President - Jane Suto  
Treasurer - Kim Roberti

Nominations from the floor will be taken providing the nominee is present to accept.

Jackie Martovich

Newsletter Deadline for the May newsletter is April 20. Please email me at [Donald.Ludwig@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Donald.Ludwig@sbcglobal.net).  
Thanks, Ginny Ludwig

## Ambassador's Angle

Well, the ski season is winding down. I hope everyone is enjoying the great snowpack up north. Mt. Southington even outlasted our Monday night race season is still open on a nice base. I hope all who picked on me for forecasting great conditions for our On Snow at Bromley now agree that I was correct. (Prayers to the Snow Gods do work.)

Conditions could not have been better. We had mostly blue skies overhead, with just enough snowfall to make it a winter wonderland. A big thank you to Rob Dexter for coordinating the event, Dennis and Jane Suto for a fantastic banquet Saturday night, Jackie Martovich and PJ Tucciarone for a flawless race weekend, and to our resident Pied Piper, Sue Piorier, for a great fun time for young and old. Also, PJ again for the Tug O'War, Erika Walz for the Volleyball competition. I'm sure I've missed someone - I apologize. This was one of the most successful On Snow Weekends ever!

I have one little gripe, and I will hold myself partly responsible for this: All club ambassadors were responsible to help with scorekeeping for the Friday and Saturday races. Even though many requests went to each and every ambassador, I had only 2 volunteers step up. As it turned out, they were under the weather and could not fulfill the tasks. *Where were the rest of you??*

Fortunately, a few fellow skiers and a non-skier helped out without even being asked! So a BIG thank you to: Carol Sweeney, Lorraine Hughes, Cheryl Skovran (who is not a skier but was there to cheer on her family,) Bruce LaRoche, Joe Machowski and last but far from least, Hamden's Junior B racer, Kyle Lewis. I can't thank you guys enough for helping out. I hope my fellow ambassadors will help with preparations for our coming Snowball.

### 2005 SNOWBALL UPDATE

- \* The Date: November 12, 2005
- \* The Place: The Connecticut Grand Hotel & Conference Center  
3580 East Main St., Waterbury. Reservations: 1-800-446-1449  
CSC Room Rate: \$75 (comparable discounts on suites)
- \* The Music: Two bands for non-stop music. "Johnny Six Gun" and "Chillum", 2 of the Northeast's most popular club bands. Music from the sixties to today, Country to top forty!
- \* A planning meeting will be held soon, location and time TBA via email. Remember - your club must participate at least once every 3 years to keep your bulk ticket purchase privileges!

Enjoy the beautiful and bountiful Spring skiing!

Alan Laidlaw, 2005 CSC Ambassador, 203-723-9659

## WARNING!!!

I just received an email from Killington saying that the CSC has redeemed only 3,407 of the 6,117 vouchers we purchased for 2004-05 (and only 331 of the 575 Pico vouchers)!!! Ouch!!!! Let's not forget the limited return policy - get in your car and drive! Please, please do not panic and try to sell vouchers to non-CSC members in the parking lot or worse, on eBay. There are plenty of ski days left before the bikes come out.

That said, all unused vouchers must be returned at the CSC's May 10, 2005 meeting. Club coordinators, please start thinking now about your own deadlines for collecting and counting returned vouchers before the May CSC deadline. Forms for returns will be distributed again at the April meeting. Questions? Email me at [nancynolan@snet.net](mailto:nancynolan@snet.net). Ginny and I will greatly appreciate your help and cooperation..

Nancy Nolan and Ginny Ludwig  
CSC Bulk Ticket Coordinators

## FUI ... FUI ... FUI ... FUI ... FUI ...

A Travel Committee has been formed to research and propose up to 2 CSC sponsored ski trips each season. George Krampetz is the chairperson.

CT Sports Management thanks all who helped with the recent Senior Olympics at Ski Sundown. 50 CSC members participated on a day that saw so much snow that snowshoes were at a premium! Results are available on the Mt. Laurel website: [www.mtlaurel.com](http://www.mtlaurel.com).

It has been requested that each club name a senior winter games contact next season for ease of info distribution. Contact Rob Dexter.

**Am. Cancer Society's 'Relay for Life' Shoreline Walk** is May 14 -15, at Guilford High School. Every club is urged to enter a team. Please contact Kim Roberti, Jo Mustaro or Jane Suto (numbers on back page) for info and to sign up.

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## ON SNOW WEEKEND

March 4, 5 and 6, 2005, Bromley Mountain

What a weekend! Thank you to everyone who come out to participate and to help, and a round of applause to Bromley Mountain. Ambassador Alan promised good weather - and he delivered! There were 861 skier days, the second highest of any On Snow weekend, with 13 clubs represented. And undying appreciation to those who stepped up to serve as scorekeepers: Carol Sweeney, Lorraine Hughes, Cheryl Skobrand, Bruce LaRoche, Joe Machowski and Kyle Lewis. Each club's Ambassador was required to serve in this capacity, and NOT ONE took part. We all are most grateful to those who did step up and fill in.

Complete results are on the website, or available from Rob Dexter. Overall rankings for the weekend are:

Mt. Laurel	87 points	Sterling	28 points
Meriden	79 points	New Haven	23 points
Winterset	73 points	Nutmeg	16 points
Newington	70 points	NAVA	9 points
Hamden	51 points	Norwalk	9 points
Danbury	39 points	Grumman	9 points
		Alstrom	7 points

Digiman Productions did an outstanding job of recording everything on film. They would like to have more photos purchased - sales to date have been dismal. PLEASE check out their website to view the weekend's photos at [www.shutterfly.com/pro/RWarren/CSCBromley2005](http://www.shutterfly.com/pro/RWarren/CSCBromley2005) and/or contact [digiman@silicondairy.net](mailto:digiman@silicondairy.net).

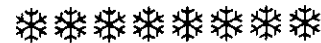
Thanks again to everyone for your support and enthusiasm.

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## CSC AWARENESS DAYS

Only 2 days left - April 2 and 3 at Sugarbush! Ticket price is \$28. We've had a good showing at recent Awareness days: 794 at Stratton; 213 and 553 at Mt Snow; and 259 and 268 at Haystack. Thanks to everyone for coming out and supporting our host mountains. See you next season!

John Filakowsky, Coordinator



## SNOWBALL COMMITTEE GUIDELINES

All CSC member clubs are required to serve on the Snowball committee, whether the club attends or does not attend the Snowball. This is the only fundraiser for the CSC that benefits all member clubs. A club has 3 years to fulfill this obligation. If a club does not contribute to the running of the Snowball within that time, the CSC can revoke the club's bulk ticket purchasing benefit until such time as that club actively contributes to/participates in the running of the Snowball.

Snowball committees and number of clubs needed each year are:

Ticket/Door Security - 3 clubs

Program - 1 club\*

Decorations - 2 clubs

Solicitation of Prizes and Raffle - 3 clubs

Ambassador Day - 2 clubs\*

Outstanding Service Award - 1 club\*

\* = does not need to attend Snowball for this committee.

For more information about the committees or if you have any questions, contact me at 203-288-7886. To sign up for a committee or to find out what committee slots are open at this time for next year, contact Ambassador Alan Laidlaw at [flynjump@snet.net](mailto:flynjump@snet.net).

The guidelines will be discussed at the April CSC meeting.

Jane Suto

CSC Vice President

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## By Law Amendment

The following amendment to the CSC by laws has been proposed: that the position of CSC Awareness Days Coordinator be an appointed position and as such that person will also serve as a member of the Executive Committee. There will be a vote on this proposed amendment at the May CSC meeting.



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The purpose of the CONNECTICUT SKI COUNCIL is to foster and encourage organized amateur skiing, to assist in the development of new clubs, to sponsor and run inter-club competition, promote club activity both on and off the snow, and to teach skiing and ski safety skills to others. The Council offers discounts on lift tickets, lodging, ski trips, competitive racing, Nordic programs, ski instruction, and social and sporting events, community involvement, physical conditioning, meeting people and having fun.



**DIRECTIONS: Polish American Club, Union City, CT**

Rt. 8 North to exit 28 (Union City).

Go straight off exit ramp through light; go left at next light onto Rt. 68 West.

Take a left at stop sign and first left onto Pulaski Walk.

From Rt. 8 South take exit 28.

Take right off the exit ramp. Go approx. 1 mile and take a left onto Golden Court (follow signs to Rt. 68). Take a right onto Rt. 68 West and follow directions above.

Polish American Club is at the end of the deadend street, on the right.



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When bad weather may necessitate the postponement of a CSC meeting, please call the Polish American Club at 203-723-5047 after 4:00 PM on the day in question.