

Mt. Laurel Skiers Newsletter

August 2004



from the President . . .

This club offers so many ways to have a good time with good friends, as we all saw during the month of July. I'm still on a "high" from the terrific Vermont Biking Weekend. Former club president Stan Wasel hosted the event, working hard to bring everything to Vermont, marking the rides, and handling all of the reservations. Many others pitched in to help including grille man Ron Colaresi, bonfire expert Dan Giordano, and Jack Uhrynowski again overseeing the kitchen and other tasks. Steve and Lucy Kempe hosted a pool party at their beautiful home in Springfield, Vermont on Sunday, where many members enjoyed the day. Thanks to all!

Another annual barbecue event is in the books thanks to the efforts (again) of Steve and Lucy Kempe and Jonathan and Sharon Houck. Jonathan and Sharon offered the clubhouse/pool area of their Currier Ridge condo complex in Cheshire for the event, for the second time, and we all had a really good time.

The fun didn't end there, either. Jack Mut and Peter Piwarzyk invited us all to their annual marina party in Old Lyme, where we were entertained by

the Bobby Darlin band and danced the night away.

Thanks to Andy LeClair for Monday Night Biking. Rides hosted by Rob and Claire Dexter, Bill and Debbie Grossman, and Dan Giordano were highlights of the month. Be sure to show up for Marsha Baretta's ride in Wethersfield on August 2nd.

The month ended with the happy celebration of the wedding of Neal and Melanie Fisher at a reception/ride/cookout in Glastonbury. We wish them a happy life together.

The lodge lease has been signed. Other issues will be ironed out as we move forward together in this ever changing world.

Meetings this month are on Aug 4 and 18. Be sure to come.

Tom Knudsen

Important Numbers •

Membership • Alison Reno
860-977-2142

Monday Bike • Andy LeClair
860-283-4889

Sunday Hike • Gordon Gaulin
860-688-2934

Ski Trip 2005 • Taos 5-12 Feb 2005

Our Ski Trip for 2005 is to Taos, New Mexico. The trip is already over 70 percent sold. The trip is February 5-12 out of Hartford into Albuquerque. Cost is \$1129 which includes: round trip air fare, transfers, 7 nights SkiIn-SkiOut at the Inn at Snakedance, a welcome party, a NASTAR Race, 7 buffet breakfasts, a customized fleece vest, and much more. No snowboarders allowed on Taos. We even may get to ski with Gold Medal Winner Deb Armstrong. Give me a call with any questions - Eric 203-265-9293 office, 203-265-9648 home or see www.mtlski.com for more information and a flier.

Eric Ardolino - 203-265-9293

Volunteers Needed...

Be part of the Buick Championship at the TPC Riverhighlands in Cromwell. The dates for this year's golf tournament will be August 25-29. If you are interested, see me at the meetings or leave a message at 860-830-4645.



Ron

Sunday Hike •

Hike with fellow Mt Laurel members on Sundays beginning Sept 12th through mid-Dec. All hikes are of moderate length and difficulty and begin at 12:30pm. Bring snacks, water, rain gear, and sturdy hiking shoes. I need people to help me in leading hikes this fall. Please contact Gordon Gaulin 860-688-2934.

Gordon Gaulin - Hike Chairman - 860-688-2934

Mt Laurel Tennis Ladder Update •

Matches played to date:

- 6/5 Rob Dexter def Dave Spear 6-1, 6-1
- 6/5 Rich Meinzer def Dave Spear def Monica Meinzer 6-5-3, 6-4-3
- 6/19 Rob & Claire Dexter def Harold Barenz & Margaret Murray 6-1, 6-2
- 7/1 Rich Meinzer def Lloyd Frauenglass 6-4, 4-6, 7-6
- 7/4 Rich Meinzer def Monica Meinzer 8-3
- 7/5 Rob & Claire Dexter def Lloyd Frauenglass & Gloria Parent 6-4, 4-6, 6-4
- 7/6 Dave Spear & Margaret Kehoe def Harold Barenz & Margaret Murray 7-6 (7-4), 6-7, (5-7), (11-7)

The current standings are as follows:

Singles

1. Rob Dexter
2. Dave Spear
3. Rich Meinzer*
4. Lloyd Frauenglass
5. Monica Meinzer

Mixed Doubles

1. Rob & Claire Dexter*
2. Rich & Monica Meinzer
3. Dave Spear & Margaret Kehoe*
4. Harold Barenz & Margaret Murray*
5. Lloyd Frauenglass & Gloria Parent
Brian Hunter & Milli Arnold

*Qualified for ladder tournament

Please report matches to Dave Spear at 860-219-9317 or email to dlspe@aol.com

Lobster Cook-Out • Sunday, 26 September



Save the date for one of the biggest and best events of the ski club! Join us at Winding Trails in Farmington from 11am to 7pm. Hog dogs, hamburgers, and fixings served all day. At 2pm, the main course of shrimp, lobsters, corn, salad, and potato will be served. Soda will be provided, but **please note - BYOB!!!** **Volunteers needed. Contact: Maureen Gaherty 860-632-0179 or Barbara Wysocki 860-563-9066.**



Celebrations and Concerns...

Our sympathies to an old time member, Dottie Clark Davis, in the loss of her husband, Jim, last month. Dottie has Alzheimer's and is now at The Meadows, 157 Heritage Hill Place in Rutland VT 05701. **Sympathies** also to Marilyn Bogdon in the loss of her grandmother. Our **congratulations** to Milli Arnold in the birth of her second granddaughter last month. Keep me posted with any cheer.

Thanks, Susan Forsdick

The Club will no longer provide alcoholic beverages...



Due to liability insurance issues that have recently come to light, the Board of Directors voted on July 7, 2004 that the club will no longer be the provider of any alcoholic beverages consumed at future MTL events. I apologize for any confusion this suddenly necessary ruling may have caused.

At the September 1 meeting, we will discuss the issue fully, and plan to have an attorney and insurance rep present to answer our questions. We may ask for the members to vote this ruling into the Special Rules section of the Bylaws at that meeting.

Tom Knudsen, President
President@MtlSki.com

Fall Hike ... 1-3 Oct

Reserve the weekend of Oct 1st through Oct 3rd for hiking, biking, and good times at the club lodge in Proctorsville, VT. We will be hiking the Long/Appalachian Trail over Bromley Mountain, not far from Manchester, VT. The hike is 3 miles one way, the degree of difficulty is moderate, with a surface of old road, rocky footpath and ski trail. The cost of the weekend has not yet been determined.

More details will be in the September newsletter.

Gordon Gaulin - Hike Chairman

Congratulations to Kevin Rasch, who is now Chief Legal Counsel to Connecticut Governor Jodi Rell.

We wish him the best of luck, now, and in the future.

Monday Bike •



It's hard to believe that the summer is half over!!! Thanks to the ride leaders for this month - Rob and Claire, Bill and Debbie, and Dan. A special thanks to Neal Fisher for marking so many of these rides. Plan to support the next rides and remember that parties are rain or shine!



2 Aug • Wethersfield • Marsha Baretta • • Board of Education building on Willow Street •

From Berlin Tpke: (Rt 15) take Rt 175 (Wells Rd). East into Wethersfield. After the light, on the top of the hill, take the next right at the light (Willow St). Park in school lot on right.
From Wilbur Cross Hwy: (Rt 5 & 15) take exit 85, Silas Deane Hwy in Wethersfield, follow Rt 99 to Rt 175. Take a right on Rt 175, after passing Ridge Rd., take a left on the next light onto Willow Street. Park in school parking lot on the right. **Pizza to follow at Hamilton's Bunker (former Wilson Seafood) at 580 Silas Deane Hwy.**

9 Aug • Bristol • Tom and Sheree Mailhot • 860-583-1211 • 30 Carleton Place •

From Hartford/Farmington: 84W to exit 33 (Rte 72W), take right on 229N (King St) 0.9 mile, take left on Woodland St, 0.9 mile, take left on Godwin St. Right on Center St (opposite Carleton Place). Park across from St. Joseph School.

From Waterbury: 84E to exit 31 (Rt 229N), then follow directions above (0.9 miles after intersection of Rt 72 take left on Woodland St). Short 14.4, long 22.1, extra long 35.8. **Pizza follows the ride. The pool will be open, bring your suits and towels.**

16 Aug • Avon • Trish and Steve Molloy 860-878-7527

I-84 to exit 39, Farmington Center, take right onto Rt 10 north. Take left at first light onto Old Farms Rd. Meet at Fisher Meadows. Park on your right. **Pizza to follow.**

23 Aug • E. Hartford • Scott Farrar & Clyde Proch • 860-568-2656 •

84E to exit 58, right to Silver Lane, left on Silver Lane to Forbes, right on Forbes to E. Hartford High School. 91S follow 84E. 91N cross Putnam Bridge to 2W Main St exit, right at light on Brewer at 7-11, left on Forbes to High School on left. **Cookout to follow - 99 Forbes. Bring appetite and a few chairs.**

30 Aug • Southington • Ron Kapraszewski • 860-621-6382 • #33 Village Gate Dr. •

I-91S to 691 West to exit 4. Take Right onto 322. Take first right at light onto Maridon Ave. Take first right onto Village Gate Dr. First house on left #33.

I-84W to 691 East to exit 4. Take left onto 322 - same directions as above. **Pizza & refreshments to follow ride - swimming pool. Bring chairs, bathing suit, and towel. Short ride 15 miles - Med 23 - Long Ride 29.**

Andy LeClair • Chairperson • 860-283-4889

Hacker's Revenge • Sunday, 10 October

Hello all. Due to scheduling issues we didn't have our "official" Annual Golf Tournament, but we do plan to get together for an unofficial outing. This means that the group that has the toilet seat from last year's event will have to hold on to it for another year.

We have reserved tee times for 9:30 at Tunxis Plantation in Farmington on Sunday, October 10th. The plan is to golf and then get together for lunch afterwards. Tunxis requires a credit card to hold the tee times, so I will need a final or as close to a final count by August 30th. Please call me at 860-674-0173 if you are interested in playing. All skill levels are encouraged to come out and "hack away." The course is a relatively flat course so it is easy to walk. The cost is \$39 for 18 holes for walking and \$54 for riding. Fall is a beautiful time to be outside and what better time to enjoy the view, check out the fall foliage, and oh yeah hack away.

Jody Neuman • jody.neuman@rsintl.com

Deadline for Sept • August 18, 2004 • Third Wednesday •

August 18 is the deadline for receipt of new information for the September 2004 newsletter.

All information should be to **Kathy Augustyn** by that date. If you do not see Kathy at a meeting, please mail to:

**17 Rising Trail Drive
Middletown CT 06457
or email**

kathleen.augustyn@inginvestment.com

or Fax 860-275-2845

h 860-632-1280

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Shelter Island Bike Ride •







Come join us for a day of biking or walking. It is a special day on the island. There will be arts/crafts/exhibits and plenty of food. We depart on the Caribbean Vessel from New London Ferry Dock, CT to Orient Point, NY at 8:30am, Saturday, August 28th.

Parking on site is \$5 on a first come first served basis. Otherwise, you can park at the Water St Parking Garage for \$8. Passenger fares for a round trip ticket is \$16 with \$2 extra for your bikes. Directions to the New London Ferry Dock:

From Hartford: Take Rte 91-S to Rte 9-S to Rte 95-S. Take Exit 83 for downtown New London. At the third light go left onto Gov Winthrop Blvd. Go straight over RR tracks and bear right to the ferry entrance.

Please let us know if you want to share in the festivities. **Call John Bazzano 860-482-6132 or Aletta Chamberland 860-747-3523.**

mt laurel skier's calendar

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
1	2  Monday Bike Wethersfield	3	4 Bd/Reg Meeting	5	6	7
8	9  Monday Bike Bristol	10	11 NO Meeting	12	13	14
15	16  Monday Bike Avon	17	18 Regular Meeting News Deadline	19	20	21
22	23  Monday Bike E. Hartford	24	25 NO Meeting	26	27	28  Shelter Island Bike Ride
29	30  Monday Bike Southington	31	August 2004			

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August Meetings ·
Zabbara's Restaurant
Stanley Golf Course
245 Hartford Road
New Britain CT
Wednesdays, 8:00pm

Save These Dates

August

- 02 Monday Bike - Wethersfield
- 04 Board/Regular Meeting
- 09 Monday Bike - Bristol
- 11 NO Meeting
- 16 Monday Bike - Avon
- 18 Regular Meeting,
News Deadline
- 23 Monday Bike - E Hartford
- 25 NO Meeting
- 28 Shelter Island Bike Ride
- 30 Monday Bike - Southington

September

- 01 Board/Regular Meeting
alcoholic beverage discussion
- 12 Sunday Hike begins
- 18 Ernie's Bike Ride & Cookout
- 26 Lobster Cook-Out



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