

NEXT MEETING:

- Thursday
- November 4, 2004
- 7:30 p.m.
- Jillian's Restaurant
- Rte 151 North Falmouth, MA

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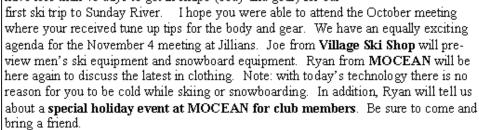
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President's Letter

Dear Members,

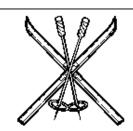
The Ski and Snowboard Season is approaching quickly. You have less than 40 days to get in shape (body and gear) for our



As I mentioned at the October meeting, I am stepping down as President. It's been a fun 2 years working with the board and developing exciting meetings and ski trips for the club. It's time for someone else to bring their ideas to the club. I will continue to be an active member of the club (and I encourage you to do the same), even though I will no longer be on the board. Please attend the November meeting so you can participate in the election of officers.

See you at the Jillian's on November 4 for fun, education and food (Thanks to Jillian's for the great snacks).

Karen Foster, President



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Upcoming Shows

What: SnowSports Expo Puritan Ski Expo

Where: Bayside Expo Center Sheraton Hyannis

When: Nov. 18—21 2004 November, To Be Announced

Admission: Adults—\$10.00 Free

Children Under 12—FREE

TO SIGN UP FOR A TRIP

DAY TRIPS-Schedule and prices may be subject to change at any time. Always check with your Trip Leader for last minute changes, cancellations and to confirm bus departure. Non-member surcharge is \$15 in addition to the regular price. The bus leaves from the Grand Union (formerly A&P) on MacArthur's Boulevard, Bourne. Plenty of parking is available for the day, allowed by the Grand Union. Mail your check to the trip leader.

WEEKEND & WEEK-LONG TRIPS-Only fully paid members are allowed to participate. Make sure to sign up for membership before sending your ski trip reservations. All prices are per person (adult) and are subject to change (check with your trip leader). Single-room occupants are subject to an applicable surcharge. Contact your trip leader for surcharge information. Refunds are subject to our deposit policy.

Rte. 3 Pick Up (Exit 10 off Rte 3 in Duxbury) providing you give notice to trip leader

04/05 Trip Leaders

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508-563-9273 508-540-7656 508-759-8364

~ Deposit/Refund policy ~

Deposits help ensure that a space is reserved for our members. These deposits apply to bus trips, weekend trips, week long trips and more. Late cancellations are not entitled to a refund, nor is the club responsible for finding a replacement for you. You must find your own replacement, although we will endeavor to help you whenever possible. Deposits are further subject to the conditions imposed upon us by our suppliers, agents or other providers. We make every effort to refund as much money as possible but cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. Inquire of your trip leader for specific information regarding your particular trip. The club recommends that you consider trip insurance whenever possible.

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Day/Week	Date	Place	Rte 3 Pick up	X Country	Cost	Trip Leader	Bus Departs
Fri—Sun	12/10-12/12	Sunday River, ME			179.00	Karen Foster	Self Drive
Wed	12/29	Stratton, VT			65.00	Dave Dimestico	5:00
Wed	1/5	Okemo, VT			65.00	Tom Burt	5:00
Sun	1/9	Mt. Snow, VT			65.00	Brenda Purdy	5:00
Wed	1/12	Attitash, NH			65.00		5:00
Wed	1/19	Mt. Sunapee, NH			65.00	Carey Murphy	5:00
Sun—Fri	1/23-1/28	Sugarloaf, ME			330.00	Doug Baker	Self Drive
Wed	2/2	Ragged Mtn., NH			55.00	Tom Burt	5:00
Wed	2/9	Stratton, VT			65.00	Dave Dimestico	5:00
Sun	2/13	Sunday River, ME			65.00	Brenda Purdy	4:30
Wed	2/16	Loon, NH			65.00		5:00
Sun	2/27	Cannon, NH			65.00	Tom Peterson	5:00
Wed	3/2	Mt. Snow, VT			65.00		5:00
Sat—Sat	3/5–3/12	Whistler/ Blackcomb, BC			1,329.00	Mike Finegold	Air
Wed	3/9	Bretton Woods, NH			65.00		5:00
Wed	3/16	Sunday River, ME			65.00		4:30
Sun	3/20	Ascutney, VT			55.00		5:00
Fri	3/25	Mad River Glen, VT			65.00		5:00
Wed	3/30	Wildcat, NH			65.00	Camille Morgan	5:00
Thu—Sun	3/31–4/3	Jay Peak, VT			260.00		Self Drive

For up-to-the-minute information on trip updates, visit

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Show is our passion.

December 10 - 12, 2005

Trip Leader: Karen Foster

\$179.00 per person!

In terms of sheer size, Sunday River is remarkable: 128 trails, 663 acres, and 8 interconnected mountains. Each peak offers a distinct experience, from the steeps and bumps of White Cap to the tree skiing of Oz to the cruising on North Peak and Jordan Bowl, and it's all serviced by a network of 18 modern lifts, four of which are high-speed quads!

Trip Includes:

- 2 nights lodging at the Grand Summit (ski-in / ski-out) Lodge
- 2 days lift pass

Fast Stats!!!

Runs: 128 Terrain Parks: 4

Snowmaking: 92% Avg. Snowfall: 155"

Lifts: 18

Vertical Descent: 2340 ft.

January 23 - 28, 2005



sugarloaf/usa.

Price: \$330.00—The Same as last year!!!

Sugarloaf/USA is located in the heart of the Carrabassett Valley, and is surrounded by Maine's Western Mountains.

It's craggy and knotty so make like a buzzsaw and rip it! Take the Timberline Quad and you're at 4,237 feet elevation—The top of the world (by New England standards anyway!) Check out Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire AND Canada and enjoy the only lift-serviced above treeline skiing in the East!

Trip Leader: Doug Baker

Trip Includes:

- ↑ 5 nights mountain-side condo
- ↑ 5 1/2 days of lift tickets (get there early & Ski on Sunday!
- ↑ Daily Perfect-Turn Clinic ski lessons
- Use of the Sports & Fitness Club & 2 outdoor Jacuzzis!
- ↑ Monday night welcome party
- ↑ And much, much more!

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I went shopping for lift tickets the other day and... Timothy R. Stark

Who hasn't dreamt of chucking it all in and taking off to ski around the world? No matter how much you economize on frivolous items like sleeping, eating, and your mortgage, you'll still have to fork over cold cash for a ticket to ride back uphill. I decided to take a bit of a survey (no, it wasn't scientific) and wasted an entire day of my life investigating the cost of a day's skiing in 2003 / 2004 at 50 resorts in 16 countries. To give a measure of value, such as it is, I've also calculated how much skiing terrain each of these resorts serves up per dollar paid for a lift ticket. And I've found some interesting data!

I thought Canada was cheap... And maybe it is!

If you're looking for rock-bottom lift ticket prices, most people assume Canada's the place to go, but you may be surprised. Canada still stands out as the world's second most expensive country to buy a daily lift ticket, after the ever overpriced Good Ol' U.S of A. However, what I did find is although Canada costs more at the ticket window, it also gives you more terrain on which to ski. So it's all a question of value...

At \$67 (including GST, at Christmastime), Whistler is the only non-American resort in the top 10 of the most expensive resorts. Among all the resorts surveyed, Canada's cheapest skiing is at Silver Star (\$48), followed closely by Sun Peaks and Mont-Sainte-Anne (both \$49). Big White (\$51) falls below the world average of \$54. Lake Louise, Sunshine and Fernie are right on the money at \$54.

Where Canada excels is in offering more acres of skiing per buck than anywhere else, not counting multi-resort ski passes like Vail's Colorado Ticket, which is valid at Vail, Beaver Creek, Breckenridge, Keystone and Arapahoe Basin. The Colorado Ticket offers 122 acres of skiing per dollar. But you have to bus for more than an hour to get from Vail to Breckenridge! Expensive as it is, Whistler's \$67 day pass offers you the most acres of skiing per dollar of any single resort on earth. Indeed, all five of the world's best-value resorts measured by acres of skiing per single resort are Canadian: Whistler (109 acres of skiing per dollar), Lake Louise (78 acres), Silver Star (64 acres), Sunshine (59 acres) and Panorama (52 acres).

Extortion on a global scale!

"Downhill" is a term ski resorts never use when it comes to lift ticket pricing. Price hikes this year are averaging about two per cent in Switzerland, three per cent in Austria and France, and five per cent in Italy and North America. Don't ask me to get into currency fluctuations as well, please!

Borovets in Bulgaria and Sierra Nevada in Spain (yeah, I didn't know about these places, either!) tied at \$34 for the cheapest passes. But for only \$5 more you can ski the sunny Italian side of the Matterhorn in Cervinia. Down under, New Zealand's Treble Cone (\$39) is a bargain compared to Australia's Thredbo (\$63). And the Andes is considerably cheaper at Chile's Portillo (\$46) than in Argentina's Las Lenas (\$60).

There's not much difference in Scandinavia between Sweden's Are (\$42) and Norway's Hemsedal (\$44). Japan's Sahoro stands out as having the least amount of skiing (175 acres or 3 acres per dollar) in the world for the most amount of money (\$62). Andorra (\$39), nestled in the Pyrenees between Spain and France, has skiing cheaper than anywhere in the Alps outside Italy's Cervinia.



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Avoid getting "Piste-off"

Comparing resorts by size, however, is notoriously difficult. Europeans advertise their resorts in terms of "kilometres of pistes." North Americans prefer the measure of "skiable acres." There is no reliable conversion factor, especially since even resorts that use the "skiable acres" measurement add up their numbers differently from the resort next door. But a very rough guide would allow 25-50 acres per "kilometre of piste". Sacre Bleu!!!

How they all stacked up

The global average of all 50 ski passes surveyed (including taxes if applicable) is \$54. Canada's average is Cdn. \$53. In a league table of prices, Italy has the cheapest skiing, averaging \$41, followed by our 10 world-resorts at \$46. Austria (\$47), France (\$48) and even Switzerland (\$50) are all cheaper than Canada (\$53) and the U.S.A. (\$79).

The 10 American resorts surveyed average a ticket price almost 50 per cent more expensive than the global average. That's a flat thumbs down for the U.S., the single price-worthy exception being the ocean-deep powder snow of Alta, Utah, on offer for only \$51.

The most skiing in Europe for under \$50 a day is in the Italian Dolomites, where access to 464 ski lifts and 1,220 km of trails costs \$44. For the same price you can ski the Portes du Soleil, straddling the borders of Switzerland and France.

The best skiing for under \$50 a day is in Europe at France's Val d'Isere (\$48) and at St. Anton (\$49) in Austria. In Canada, the winner among destination resorts has to be Silver Star (\$48), a buck cheaper and almost 2,000 acres bigger than upscale rival Sun Peaks (\$49).

But you also have to consider...

All prices are for one-day, adult, high-season (Christmas and holidays) passes converted into U.S. dollars in October, 2004. Of course few skiers, in their right minds, ever buy single day tickets simply because it's the most expensive way to ski. Multi-day or season passes, tour operator inclusive deals, off-season discounts, advance sale, off-site purchases, ski-cards... the options of arriving at the resort with your ticket already in hand are legion, and most skiers take advantage of discount ticketing. However, in the end, I think the comparison remains valid since discounted tickets are available everywhere.



Mountains of Improve-

By Tom Burt

The temperatures are dropping, the leaves are falling and the feel of winter is in the air. Ski gear is pulled out of the closet and prepared for the upcoming season. A few last attempts at exercise are made in an attempt to get in shape. All the while, New England resorts are preparing for our arrival. Additions and improvements are completed and unveiled. Here, I have attempted to compile a short list of these improvements. The list includes new terrain, lifts and lodges but excludes new parks and pipes (almost every resort has some). Enjoy!

Smugglers' Notch

Smugglers' is adding over half a mile of gladed terrain this winter. When added to last year's impressive 40 new acres the total of Smuggs' gladed areas now makes up 22% of the Resort's total skiable and patrolled acres.

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Crotched Mountain

This ski area was built from the ground up last summer ... new lifts, new lodge, new snowmaking system, and everything in between. This coming season will be Crotched's first complete ski season since the original ski area closed in 1989! A new snowmaking system (fan guns) has the highest capacity in New England. Also, there is now 100% light coverage for "X-treme Midnight Madness" - night skiing from 9pm to 3am!

Sugarbush

With over 2,600 feet of vertical and almost 40 acres of new gladed terrain, Mount Ellen gets her own identity and her own pass.

Wachusett

This winter, the central Massachusetts ski area will open the completely new Vickery Bowl area. With two new trails, Vickery Bowl adds over eight additional acres of terrain to the mountain, bringing Wachusett's total trail count to 22. The two intermediate-level trails, "Frannie's Folly" (1,800 feet) and "Piece of Cake" (1,600 feet), will feature snowmaking and lights for night skiing this season. The new 1,500-foot Vickery Bowl Triple Chair servicing the trails will also open this season, completing the work on the area that was started last year.

Loon

Loon Mountain announced the addition of a Doppelmayr high-speed detachable quad to its North Peak. The new quad replaces the North Peak triple and will reduce the ride time to the summit nearly by half, from 9.5 minutes to 4.8 minutes.

Okemo

Going from peak to peak is now easier than ever with more trails, an expanded beginner area and a newly paved road connecting the Okemo base to the Jackson Gore base. Two new gladed trails have been added at Jackson Gore that includes the 3,200-foot long "Supernova" and 1,500-foot long "Black Hole."

Stowe

New for this year is a high-speed quad and a triple chair at the Little Spruce area.

Bretton Woods

Bretton Woods adds 13 new trails and glades for this winter, bringing the total to 101. One of the 13 is "Bode's Run," an expert trail inspired by Bretton Woods Director of Skiing and 2004 FIS World Cup GS Champion Bode Miller.

Cannon

Cannon is in the bidding process for an expansion to Mountain Station (tram), tentatively scheduled to start this fall. The expansion will include a new fover, more restrooms and direct access on the north side of the building to the slopes.

Jav Peak

Jay Peak has been doing some work on the Sky Haus, which is located in the Tram facility at the top of the mountain. The interior of the Sky Haus will be renovated to include a cafeteria, which will open this winter.



UPPER CAPE SKI & SPORTS CLUB BYLAWS – Revised November 1998

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of the Association shall be the UPPER CAPE SKI & SPORTS CLUB.

ARTICLE II. PURPOSE

The Association shall be a non-profit organization dedicated to providing organized skiing and sporting activities for its members and participants. It shall be an organization for twenty-one (21) years and older adult residents of the area interested in outdoor sports. It will organize and promote group outings for the benefits of its members and their guests, and will generally do all things in accordance with Chapter 180 of the Massachusetts General Laws. All activities of the Association will be limited to those specified in Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. (Add later if needed: there will be no inurement to members of the Association and the substantial parts of the Associations activities shall be legislative in nature.)

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

Anyone ages twenty-one (21) years of age and older is eligible to become a member.

Memberships will be granted only on an individual basis.

Only those members whose dues are current, and are in good standing shall be voting members.

ARTICLE IV. DUES

- 4.1 Annual dues will be set by the Executive Committee each year, and approved by the majority of members present at the annual membership meeting on the first Monday in October.
- 4.2 The annual membership of the Association shall run from October 1st through September 30th.

ARTICLE V. OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

The officers of the Association shall be members in good standing and shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary.

Officers shall be nominated at the annual meeting on the first Monday in October and elections held on the first Monday in November.

Elected officers shall hold office for a minimum of one year and a maximum of three consecutive years, and shall take office immediately following the meeting at which elected.

A vacancy in any position may be filled by a majority vote of the Executive Committee.

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Association and the Executive Committee. The President shall appoint all committees other than the Executive Committee.

The Vice-President, in absence of the President, shall have the same powers as the President and shall perform those duties.

The Treasurer shall:

Collect all monies payable to the Association and expend same under the direction of the Executive Committee.

Deposit in a local bank all monies in a checking account under the name "Upper Cape Ski & Sports Club".

Keep a record of all transactions with proper receipts and statements.

Present a financial statement of the Association at all meetings of the Association and at such other times as requested by the President.

A member of the Board of Directors will serve a duel role as Assistant Treasurer, who will fulfill the duties of Treasurer in the Treasurers absence, and have full access to financial information at all times.

The Secretary shall:

Keep a record of all meetings of the Association

Be Secretary of the Executive Committee and notify all members whenever a meeting of the same shall be held.

Conduct all correspondence.

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Notify each member as to the time and place of the annual meeting and hay special meeting.

Furnish voting members with copies of the minutes of the Executive Committee meetings in a timely fashion, upon written request.

ARTICLE VI. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the Association, five members at large appointed by the present members of the Executive Committee, and the Chairman of the Standing Committee.
- The Executive Committee shall meet at its discretion and a majority of its members shall constitute a quorum at each meeting. Committee members must attend a majority of the meetings and cannot be absent for three consecutive meetings. If this happens they may be replaced.
- The Executive Committee shall have general supervision over the Association, promote and aid in setting up all activities, make appointments to fill any vacancies occurring among the members of the Executive Committee, and shall appoint an auditor on an annual basis.

ARTICLE VII. STANDING COMMITTEES

The Standing Committees shall be as follow:

Newsletter Committee: publish the monthly newsletter.

Publicity Committee: get what we do into the local media.

Membership Committee: find ways to increase the membership.

Social Committee: arrange and conduct all social activities.

Meeting Committee: plan and organize all membership meetings.

Program Committee: plan and organize all Association trips including getting prices. Be the Association contact for all trip activities.

Nominating Committee: solicit nominations for club officers and make sure they are published in the notice of the annual meeting.

ARTICLE VIII. MEETINGS

- ANNUAL MEETING: the members shall hold their meeting on the first Monday in October to receive reports covering the current year from the Association officers and Committee chairpersons, nominate the Officers for the ensuing year, and transact such other business as may come before the meeting. Written notice of such meeting shall be sent to current members at least 10 days before the time set for the meeting. Voting at such meetings shall be only by paid members in good standing.
- SPECIAL MEETINGS: special meetings of the members may be held when called by the Executive Committee, or when requested in writing addressed to the Executive Committee by at least twenty (20) members. In both cases, notice of the special meeting shall be mailed to the membership by the Secretary at least ten (10) days prior to the date set for the meeting. The notice shall state the purpose for the meeting.

ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS

These by-law's may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote at any annual or special meeting of the members, where there is a quorum as provided in Article VIII, provided that the proposed amendment or amendments be stated in full in the notice of the meeting.

ARTICLE X. MISCELLANEOUS

The Executive Committee shall augment these by-law's with a published set of rules and regulations pertaining to the general operation of the Association. Rules and regulations adopted by the Committee shall remain in effect until amended or rescinded.

ARTICLE XI. REMOVAL OF OFFICERS

11.1 Officers may be removed for cause by a vote of three-quarters (3/4) of the attending members at a special meeting called for that purpose.



Ski Buddies

For some time now we've been trying to think of a way that our members can identify each other while on the slopes. We've talked about arm bands, things that tie around poles, even clothing with our insignia on it. Well, we think we have a solution. It's a sticker. Yes, a sticker. With more and more people sporting helmets (a very good thing) what better place to identify that you're a proud member of the Upper Cape Ski & Sports Club.



Vests

Once again we'll be offering vests with our name printed on them. Red Blanchard, formerly of Village Ski and Sports Shop, has gracefully re-offered his connections to the vest manufacturer so that we can be warm all winter long.





CLASSIFIEDS

Ads are free to all Club Members		
Christmas Mountain Condo for rent in Glen, NH Sunday 2 Bedroom, 2 Bath, w/loft (sleeps 8) Ski in, ski out—Sle Beautiful views of Mt. Washington. Hot tub & heated o	eps 4 utdoor pool	
Wildcat, Attitash, Cranmore are all close by. Available ho		
\$150 per night plus cleaning fee. Call Michael Finegold Call Scott or Wendy @ 508-457-9499	@508-548-0071	
Looking for children's boots & skis. Call Diane Payson @ 508-548-0071		
If you would like	e to place an ad,	
email it to editor@up	percapeskiclub.com.	

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	Trip Application for 2004-2005 Season
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City & State:	Zip:
Phone (Home):	(Work):
Email address:	
Trip desired	Date:
Downhill 🗆 Cross Country 🗆	Snowboard
YOU MUST FILL IN ALL BLANKS. I HAV	READ AND AGREE TO THE LIABILITY POLICY AND WAIVE ALL LIABILITY.
Signed	Date
hold harmless the Upper Cape Ski participation in any club related act responsibility for injury, loss, or dam	owledge that there are inherent risks in skiing, whitewater rafting, and other sports, and agree to \$2 Sport Club, it's officers, directors, and agents , from any claims whatsoever resulting from ity. The Upper Cape Ski & Sport Club acts solely as agent carrying out services and assumes no ge to persons or property, not for faults or defaults of companies or those carrying out services; lations, changes due to weather, baggage, lodging, insufficient participation, or reasons beyond

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MAILING Address:		Annual Dues - \$40 October 1, 2004 thru Sept. 30, 2005
		Downhill Snowboard
Dity & State:		Cross-Country 🗆
Phone (Home):		<u>.</u>
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	for 2004-2005 Seaso	on
HAVE READ AND AGREE TO THE LIABILITY POLICE	AND WAIVE ALL LIABILITY.	
Signed	Date	<u> </u>
nold harmless the Upper Cape Ski & Sport Club, it related activity. The Upper Cape Ski & Sport Club persons or property, not for faults or defaults of c	's officers, directors, and agents, from an acts solely as agent carrying out services a companies or those carrying out services; n on, or reasons beyond the control of the	poarding, whitewater rafting, and other sports, and agree to y claims whatsoever resulting from participation in any clu and assumes no responsibility for injury, loss, or damage to or accident, injuries, delays, cancellations, changes due to Upper Cape Ski & Sport Club. I also agree to abide by th
	bership is 21 years of age.	

Next General Meeting

Arrive early and have a great dinner at:

JILLIAN'S

Corner of Rte 151 & 28A North Falmouth, MA

Itinerary:

4 November:

- ↑ Snowboard preview by Village Ski & Sports
- ↑ MOCEAN Clothing, Mashpee
- ♠ BOD Election Update

Thursday November 4, 2004



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