



The Danbury Ski Club Times June 2015



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi Danbury ski club, our ski season is over, but we are already planning the next one. Our off season activities include a rafting trip in July and bike riding throughout the summertime. Please come out and join us. Winter carnival will be at Sugarbush this coming year, it's a great mountain. So please stay tuned. Danbury ski club wants you!! Thanks.ph factor

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEW DSC OFFICERS

The votes have been counted and the results are in! Say congratulations to the DSC officers for 2015 - 2016.

President: Pat Howard

Vice President: Charles Rubano

Treasurer: Kathy Ligos

Delegate at Large (2 year term): Dave Zuraw

Recording Secretary: Michael Mannion

Corresponding Secretary: Susan Edelstein

Ambassador: Janice Cohen

CSC Reps: Joan Gall, Mary O'Hara, Greg O'Hara, Dave Zuraw, Debbie Herrick

CSC Alternate Rep: Jim Seri

About 75 people attended the Danbury Ski Club's Annual Awards banquet at the Amber Room, celebrating 60 years of skiing and camaraderie off the slopes with the "Club for All Seasons". The evening started with great appetizers, followed by yummy dinner and dessert. The party was led by the officers showing their moves to "Uptown Funk" and getting guests up on the dancefloor!

Special Awards were given to the following:

- Charles Randall Award for Most Outstanding Member: **Joy Seri**
- Steve Fernekes Award for Most Active Member: **Charles Rubano**
- Bob Butcher Award for the Member who Promotes Unity and Morale: **Pat Howard**
- DSC Rookie of the Year for the New Member who exhibits the most enthusiasm and involvement: **Debbie Herrick**
- Club Racing Champion: **Steve Stanton**

Eight past presidents joined current president Pat Howard for a nice photo-op: Nancy Terrill and Dave Zuraw (who were both awarded Lifetime Memberships at the banquet); Joan Gall, Paul Gilbert, Dave Kiley, PJ Tucciarone, Jackie Martovich, Mary Kate Walsh. Greg O'Hara was present but couldn't join the picture-taking.

Congratulations to the new BOD and THANK YOU to all who participated in this year's events. Looking forward to more club involvement this year! (Written by Joy Seri, Thanks Joy!)

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL WINNERS! THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE AND DEDICATION TO DANBURY SKI CLUB!

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP runs until August 31, 2015. For the new ski season 2015 /2016 you can sign up as early as you like. The benefits of signing up early are that your new membership cards will be mailed to you as soon as the new CSC membership stickers are available. No self-address envelope is required. Your cards will be mailed to you. (Written by Ed Blasco and we thank him for serving us so effectively last year.) FYI: If a new member signs up as of the annual meeting (5/7/15), their membership is valid until August 31, 2016. Please join/renew online at www.danburyski.com.. Those who wish to mail in their check must renew online, select the "check" option, and mail their payment to Ed Blasco, DSC Membership Chair, PO Box 764, Danbury, CT 06813-0764. Rates are as follows: Single, \$45; Family, \$70; College, \$35, Senior, \$45 (age 65+), Senior Family \$55. Kindly provide and maintain valid contact information, including email address.

2015-2016 SKI TRIPS

We are ready to ski! The following trip has been confirmed and is open for sign up!
Danbury Ski Club Week Trip to Val D'Isere, France January 22 - 30, 2016

\$2250 pp double/triple occ. \$2730 pp single occ. (limit of 2) \$1425 pp land only double. Wow!

Includes: R/T air JFK – GVA nonstop on Swiss. Skis/boards and boot bag currently fly free. Motorcoach transfers, all taxes, surcharges, portage and *post-departure travel insurance*. Optional discounted trip cancellation insurance is available.

- 7 nights at the charming Hotel Altitude *** European buffet breakfast & dinner daily, welcome reception.
 - Most rooms have *balconies and a nice view*. Fitness center with gym, sauna, and steam room.
 - Excellent location: **Ski in/Ski out** and a 3 min walk to the village center.
 - 6 day Espace Killy Lift Pass (see below) add \$250 adult, \$200 senior 65+. That's \$42 per day
- Don't miss out! Last year's trip to Switzerland sold out. We anticipate this one will sell out too.*

This trip is open to the entire Connecticut Ski Council

Prices are GUARANTEED...no exchange rate adjustments! No hidden costs or surprise charges!

Please contact Charles Rubano secondhillstudio@gmail.com Tel: 860-463-3125

Deposit \$800 due 7/25/15 2nd deposit \$800 due 9/25/15 Final Balance due 11/10/15

Mail form and deposit to: Charles Rubano 40 Standish Rd. New Milford, CT 06776-3917 Attn: DSC Trip

✂ _____ Please fill in as legibly as possible and detach _____

(1)FullName _____ (as it appear on your passport) **DoB** _____

Passport # and Issuing Country** _____ *Expires** _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____ ***Nationality** _____

Tel # _____ **Email** _____

Please select Trip package: _____ **\$2250** (double/triple) _____ **\$2730** (single) _____ **\$1425** (land only)

6 day lift pass: _____ **\$250** (adult) _____ **\$200** (sr. 65+) **Trip Cancellation Insurance:** _____ **\$115** (land) _____ **\$145** (dbl) _____ **\$170** (sgl)

(2) Full Name _____ (as it appears on your passport) DoB _____
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 Zip _____ *Nationality _____ Tel _____
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Please make checks payable to "Danbury Ski Club" TOTAL amount enclosed \$ _____

Val d'Isere, France - Is located in the Savoy Region of the majestic French Alps, Val d'Isere is one of the world's largest and most famous ski resorts. Dare to join a limited number of select people and ski the Olympic slopes of Val d'Isere in the tracks of Jean Claude Killy! Val d'Isere offers enough challenge to make this region the favorite of accomplished skiers, yet the wide-open, rolling slopes make it all seems easy. It is literally possible to ski day after day without taking the same run for a second time. There is some easy-to-intermediate skiing high on the Solaise and Belvedere complex, but the long, tough route back down to Le Laisinant is for the expert only. Enjoy Espace Killy and from Val d'Isere to Tignes for many hours and miles of skiing.

The Hotel Altitude*** is ski-in/ski-out chalet-style hotel, located just steps from the legendary Face de Belvedere ski slope and has a warm and charming atmosphere. The restaurant is warm and cozy, featuring authentic Savoyard décor and serves the finest of local products with their traditional French cuisine. At the foot of the Olympic gondola, the Altitude has an excellent ski-in, ski-out position, 3 minutes' walk (300m) across the slopes from the village center. Most rooms have a balcony with an appealing view. Overview of facilities: Lounge with open fire; cocktail bar; restaurant; fitness center with sauna and steam room and gym; ski room with boot dryer; lift; free Wi-Fi in public areas.



Purchase up to final Trip Payment for Pre-Existing Condition Waiver!

The Pre-Existing Condition Exclusion will be waived if the protection plan is purchased before final trip payment for the trip, for the full non-refundable cost of the trip and the booking for the covered trip is the first and only booking for this travel period and you are not disabled from travel at the time you pay the premium.

Optional Insurance Coverage:

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|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Trip Cancellation* | Trip Cost* |
| Trip Interruption** | 150% of Trip Cost* |
| Cancel for Work Reasons | Trip Cost* |

*Up to the lesser of the Trip Cost paid or the limit of Coverage for which benefits are requested and the appropriate plan cost has been paid.
 Maximum limit of \$10,000

**150% of Trip Cost paid up to a maximum of \$10,000 for the unused portion of Your Trip and the transportation cost to re-join the Trip or return home.

PLAN COST PER PERSON

| Cost of Trip | Plan Rates |
|-----------------|------------|
| \$1,501-\$2,000 | \$115 |
| \$2,001-\$2,500 | \$145 |
| \$2,501-\$3,000 | \$170 |
| \$3,001-\$3,500 | \$195 |

Alphorn Tours Has Purchased the Coverage Below For All Travelers:

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| Trip Interruption* | \$500 return air only on \$0 trip cost |
| Trip Delay - 6 hours | \$750 (\$150/day) |
| Baggage/Personal Effects | \$1,500 |
| Baggage Delay - 24 hours | \$400 |
| Accident & Sickness Medical Expense | \$50,000 |
| Emergency Evacuation & Repatriation | \$250,000 |
| Accidental Death & Dismemberment | \$25,000 |
| Worldwide Emergency Assistance Services | Included |

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Get ready... these are proposed 2016 ski trips.

Jay Peak is **approved** by the Board of Directors... March 31 - April 3. Trip Leader: Dave Zuraw

Stowe is **pending** Thur night - Sunday, mid March, 2 weeks before Jay. Trip Leader: Mary O'Hara

Park City is **pending**; February 20 - 27. Trip Leader: Charles Rubano/Lisa B.

Sugarbush is the site for Winter Carnival (1st full 3-day weekend in March. DSC has reserved a few ski-in/ski-out condos right near the race course. Trip Leaders: Dave Zuraw/Kathy Ligos

Mount Snow is pending.... Trip Leader: Janice Cohen

Catamount is the host for On Snow Day on a Saturday in late January. Trip Leaders: Dave Kiley/
Dave Zuraw

Stay tuned for more information!



DANBURY SKI CLUB ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL DINNER and FOOD DRIVE



THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 2015

7:00 -9:30 PM

DANBURY HATTERS PARK BANQUET HALL
13 E Hayestown Rd, Danbury, Connecticut 06811

Come and sample delicious ethnic dishes made by your fellow club members. All are requested to bring an appetizer, entrée or dessert to share. Monetary donations are welcome in lieu of a shared dish. All \$\$\$ collected will be given to the Danbury Women's Center as well.

Please bring non-perishable food items to donate to the Danbury Women's Center.

This event is FREE and Open to DSC Members and guests



To sign up for the event:

Visit our Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/danburyskiclub/>

Please let me know what dish you will bring and if you can help with set-up / break-down / clean-up

Thanks!!!

Contact Joy Seri for questions or comments

danburyskisocial@yahoo.com

203-798-2597

DANBURY SKI CLUB WHITEWATER RAFTING, 2015



Deerfield River, Massachusetts, JULY 10-12, 2015

Whitewater rafting is back at the Deerfield River in Charlemont, Massachusetts, an exciting Class III-IV river that drops steadily throughout the day through a narrow 5 mile gorge. There will be a snack on the river and a BBQ is included on Saturday after rafting. Wet suits, photographs and videos will be available for purchase. Also available: **A free mountain coaster ride** (normally \$10); **A Zip line for \$76.50** (include 10% discount, 7 lines for Mountain Top Zip Line (pre-register); and a Mountain Bike park should also be open by then.

Tent camping (bring your own) is also included Friday and Saturday night at nearby Country Aire Campgrounds. The campground has bath facilities, a pool, a small camp store, campfires, many outdoor activities. We have also reserved one cabin (see below).

What to bring: Swimsuit, hard soled water shoes or old sneakers, waterproof bug repellent and sunscreen. Also consider bringing a waterproof camera, sunglasses, and spare prescription glasses or contacts. For camping, bring a tent or share, sleeping bag, air mattress or cot, pillow, flashlight, lantern, cooking equipment, food and drink.

Directions: I91 to exit 26 (Route 2 West); Drive 13 miles to Charlemont. Driveway is on the right, look for the camper logo just before the Oxbow Motel and Otter's Restaurant. Driveway is about ¼ mile long. All MUST arrive before 10pm Friday, much earlier or you'll be setting up in the dark, and quiet hours start at 10pm. Campground: (413)625-2996.

Sign-Up: Contact Dave Zuraw C:(203)232-9057. Bring payments to DSC meetings or mail to: Dave Zuraw, 33 Hilltop Rd., Naugatuck, CT 06770, Attn: WWR. Email me when you send check.

Pay in full by May 28th to be entered in a raffle at held at Berkshire East (check-in) Saturday ~8:45am (Prizes T-shirts, hats, etc...)

Cost: **\$140pp** (Sat. rafting, 2 nights camping, BBQ after rafting, mountain coaster ride).

Payment: **\$90 deposit due May 28th** (Late signups OK if space is available)

Final Payment: **\$50 due June 8th**

Refund policy: **Full refund available until May 28th. Full refund -\$20 available until 6/25.**

Requirements: **Minimum age ~15 and in good health.**

Transportation: **Car pool**

Camping: **Arrive by 10pm Friday night, earlier or you'll be setting up tent in the dark.**

Registration: **8:30am Saturday at Berkshire East**

Trip Leader: Dave Zuraw C:(203)232-9057, dscwebmaster@yahoo.com.

Outfitter: Berkshire Rafting, www.berkshirewhitewater.com

Campground: Country Aire Campgrounds www.countryairecampground.com



PLEASE SIGN UP **TODAY** OR THE TRIP WILL BE **CANCELED** DUE TO LOW ENROLLMENT!



N.Y. Mets vs. Pittsburgh Pirates



Citi Field, Flushing, N.Y.

Sunday, August 16th, 2015

at 1:00 p.m.

Join us for an enjoyable, family-friendly day at the ballpark as we enjoy a nice summer day watching America's pastime! Bring your own lunch or choose from a wide variety of food options at the ballpark, including the famous Shake Shack.

Seats are located in the upper deck behind home plate with a great view of the field!

Bus Transportation is Included!

Cost is \$40 for Members, \$45 for Non-Members

Bus departs from the I-84 Exit 2 commuter parking lot in Danbury at 10 a.m.

Please sign up early, as seating is limited. For more information or to sign up, please contact:

Jim Seri
203-798-2597
jimseri@yahoo.com

JUNE 2015

| Sun | M | T | W | Th | F | Sat |
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| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 General Meeting 7:30 pm Hatter's | 5 | 6 |
| 7 | 8 Final payment for rafting trip due | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 BOD Meeting 7:30 pm Hatter's | 19 | 20 |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
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A CLUB FOR ALL SEASONS



DANBURY SKI CLUB

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Treasurer: Kathy Ligos

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Dave Zuraw, dscwebmaster@yahoo.com

CT SKI COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

Debbie Herrick, Joan Gall, Mary O'Hara, Greg O'Hara, Dave Zuraw, Jim Seri

WE INVITE EVERYONE TO COME TO THE MEETINGS AND GET THE LATEST UPDATES ON EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES HELD AT:

Hatters Park, Banquet Room

7 East Hayestown Road

Danbury, CT

From I-84 East: Exit 5. Straight to traffic light. Straight onto North St. Right at 4th traffic light (Hayestown Rd). Left at next traffic light (Tamarack Ave. becomes East Hayestown Rd). Hatters Park is on right after a quarter of a mile.

From I-84 West: Exit 6. Right at traffic light (North St), then right at next traffic light (Hayestown Rd). Left at next traffic light (Tamarack Ave. becomes East Hayestown Rd).. Hatters Park is on right after a quarter of a mile.

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MEETINGS: Danbury Ski Club will hold **a business meeting on the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm.**

Boards of Director Meetings are held the third Thursday of each month and are open to all...you can listen, comment. Except for certain special programs, meetings are held at Hatters Park. Additional meetings may be scheduled at the discretion of the BOD. Please check DSC's website, www.DANBURYSKI.com for the latest information.

Danbury Ski Club is **on SOCIAL MEDIA!**

Follow us on twitter: #danburyskiclub

Visit our Danbury Ski Club [Facebook page](#) to get quick updates on our events and activities.

(Written by Joy Seri.Thx)