



Cincinnati Ski Club

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Election 2010

Meet the Candidates



at the February 3, 2010 Meeting

The February 3 CSC meeting is your opportunity to meet the candidates for the 2010/2011 Board. Running for office this year are: Lynn Bell (President), Bud Viditz-Ward (VP for Snow Skiing), Nina Marx (VP for Travel), Angela Whisner (VP for Social Activities), Bruce Black (VP for Sports), Mike Routzohn (VP for Administration), Susan Tomboly (Executive Secretary), and Stuart Pray (Treasurer). Jim McGraw will be returning to the board to serve as Past President. To learn a little more about each candidate, check out the "Meet the Candidates" article inside this Sitzmark.

BE SURE TO ATTEND THE ELECTION MEETING ON FEB. 17. We need a quorum to have a legal election even when offices are unopposed. That means we need YOU to attend.

Sue Marshall, Election Chair, 513-608-1915 or susan.marshall@fuse.net



CHILI COOK-OFF

The annual CSC chili cook-off will be Feb 17. For a nominal fee, members and guests will get to sample chili made by some of the best cooks in the club and then vote for their favorites. If you would like to enter a chili concoction to the competition you will be reimbursed for your expenses - up to \$12 (bring receipts). Chili cooks will have a chance to win bragging rights and a valuable free gift for their contributions. Please bring your chili in a crock pot and set up at 7:00pm. Power strips, extension cords, shredded cheese and oyster crackers will be provided. Since our space and funds are limited, we can only reimburse for 10 chili cooks so PLEASE let me know if you want to enter the chili cook-off. Thanks!

Karen Lipping 513-520-0328 or karleelip@yahoo.com



GOLF LEAGUE 2010

Cost: \$208 (pending Board approval)

It's time to get a grip on your life...so, grab your driver and come on out and sign up for the CSC Golf League.

Golf Course: Avon Field, Reading Rd. Avondale

Tee-Times: 5:00pm – 6:08pm

Starts: April 26th (Every Monday except holidays for 14 weeks)

Sign-ups: Election Night February 17 - as a rule the league will fill up this night.

We have room for (40) hackers of all skill levels to compete for the championship of the "Bud-Wise-Errr-Mugs" flights.

For more information; contact the league's main hacker:

Dan Smith 513-563-8193 or sudan@fuse.net



Smoky Mountains April 30 – May 3

Cost: \$171 (pending Board approval)

Come hike with us in prime wildflower season! We will be staying 3 nights (Friday, Saturday and Sunday) in a recently built, massive log cabin with all of the luxuries, tons of room (7 bedrooms and 5 1/2 baths) with a view of Mt. LeConte! Bear Hollow Lodge is located just 10 minutes east of Gatlinburg. (We stayed there in spring 2008.) After hiking the trails you can relax, enjoy the incredible views from the rocking chairs on the deck, soak in the hot tub, or play in the arcade... and don't forget to bring your Derby Day attire – there will be a bit of bourbon and gambling.

Don't wait to sign up, there will only be 20 happy hikers. Signups begin on February 17.

Dorothy Richards 513-300-7442 after 5 pm or dorothyrichards@yahoo.com

Meet the Candidates



President

Everybody is always saying that I like to tell people what to do and when to do it. So, why not run for President. Great idea! I joined the club in 1991 to meet some new friends and for the volleyball. What I found was an extended family. This club changed my life for the better. I've been on the Board numerous times in the past in the role of Social VP, and always considered it an honor to help make the decisions on what's fun and exciting to do in the club. I've been the trip leader for many, many social functions – Reds games, Bengals games; been co-trip leader on a few water-ski trips. I've volunteered for anything that the club needed help with – dances, recruiting people to be trip leaders (I can be very persuasive), running the elections...etc. I love this club and the people in it, so I will always have your best interests in mind. My dedication to our club is well known. I go over and above the call of duty – ask anyone. I don't have to do it...I love to do it. That will continue, and I appreciate your support.

Submitted by Lynn Bell



Vice President for Snow Skiing

I am running for VP for Snow Skiing, a new position responsible for developing budgets and specifics for all ski trips. I am currently Executive VP -responsible for week long trips. This office has been replaced by the VP for Snow Skiing. I have been in the club for 23 years and participate in winter ski trips each year. I have been a trip leader (or trip co-leader) on numerous North American trips. In addition to the skiing, I enjoy the wine and dining experiences at each resort. And most important to this position, I am married to Gail.

Submitted by Bud Viditz-Ward



Vice President for Travel

I am running for the board position of VP for Travel.

I have been a member of the ski club since 2007, so that still makes me a "newbie". But now, I am a newbie with experience.

In the last year, I have been busy within the club, serving as Executive Secretary, and being a trip co-leader for 2 successful events. I love to travel and most people that know me will say I love to have FUN! This is a new board position, and I look forward to bringing interesting and FUN trips for everyone's consideration.

Submitted by Nina Marx



Vice President for Administration

Good day! I'm Michael Routzohn, a three year member of the Cincinnati Ski Club and a former member of the Dayton Ski Club. I am originally from Kettering, Ohio where my father still resides. Currently I am employed with Cincinnati Bell.

I have had such a great time participating in the many social activities with the club that I believe it is now time for me to give back my time. Attending board meetings on Wednesday evenings would fit my schedule.

I do ski on snow and water, play Euchre, volunteer for club activities, attend happy hours and currently attend most meetings. During the past three years I have met many wonderful people in the club, where I believe they would agree that I would be an asset to serve on the board.

The position of Vice President for Administration would be a great opportunity.

I offer my services to the club.

Submitted by Michael D. Routzohn



Vice President for Sports

Hi my name is Bruce Black. I have been in and out of the club for about 20 years. My interests in the club have been boating, skiing, volleyball, and other social activities. Most recently I have been a boat owner in the club for the past three years. Also I'm currently Your VP of Sports overseeing the summer boat trips, volleyball and golf leagues. This job was made easy with great trip leaders such as Dan Smith - golf, Reed Breneman - volleyball, summer lake trip leaders Loretta Howard, Wilma Jennings, Nina Marx, Cheryl Zwirgzdas, Fran Breedlove, Dan and Mary Jo Jansen.

I must be a slow learner because I would like your vote to continue to make the right decisions I can make for the betterment of the club. Thanks for your vote in advance.

Submitted by Bruce Black



Vice President for Social Activities

Hello. I am Angela Whisner. I have been involved with the Ski Club for 5 years. The Club has been a wonderful experience for me. During my time as a member, I have led a ski trip to Jay Peak, Vermont and been the trip leader several times for Candlepin Bowling. I have been involved with the winter dance for the past four years. The Cincinnati Ski Club is like a second family to me. There is so much energy and support in this club. As your Social VP, I am looking forward to making this year fun and exciting with great social activities.

Submitted by Angela Whisner



Executive Secretary

Hi, I'm pleased to be running for a CSC board position for the first time. I have been an active member for at least ten years and made lots of great friends and had many good times. I've always enjoyed snow skiing and joined the club so I could do more of it with others who enjoy being out in the cold. I also enjoy dancing, which is a growing social activity in the club, cycling, kayaking, hiking and playing Euchre as well as just having fun. In the past I have led two western ski trips and a canoe trip. I'm confident I would do a good job as executive secretary and would enjoy the opportunity to contribute more. I'm looking forward to giving back some of what the club has given me, so I hope you will consider me for office. Thanks.

Submitted by Susan Tomboly



Treasurer

I have been a member of the club since 1991, leading one European and one Western ski trip, as well as participating in many, many more. In addition to the winter skiing, I am also an avid barefoot water skier and (snow) ski racer. I feel that this gives me a good perspective on many of the club's principle activities.

If elected to this office I will continue to strive to maintain the club's finances in a prompt and professional manner as I feel I have done over the past two years.

Submitted by Stu Pray



Past-President

Serving the Club is a wonderful part of my life. Friends, travel, fun; it's great to be part of it. I've served in several ways but I could never put back all I received from Ski Club.

In the upcoming year I am eager to serve as Past President and share my experience with the new board. I know we will continue to manage club business efficiently and make things better than ever.

I urge you to volunteer for at least one activity in the new year. Chances are good you will have fun, strengthen friendships and consider it a great experience.

Hope to see you soon at a Club activity. Best wishes, Jim



Thank you all for attending my African AIDS orphans video. It is nice to know how much all of you care. I would like to especially thank Rich Brown, Warren Taylor, Pat Reith, and Maria Anderson for putting it all together. When you are a technical idiot you need smart friends to show a video.

As you can see by my passion, I truly love these children with all my heart. I have never seen a group of children so dedicated to trying to get a simple education. I cannot ever express to you enough how dedicated Fr. Terry, the teachers and staff are.

I will continue to fight for these children and bug each and every one of you for continued financial and moral support. If you did not get an envelope please mail any donation to JESUIT MISSIONS c/o Mark Maxwell, 607 Sycamore Street Cincinnati, Ohio 45202. Mark your check "St. Al's/Nolan" so the funds will go directly to the school.

I have already received a number of phone calls from those who want to see the video but could not attend the meeting. If there is a good response I am sure I can get Rich, Warren, Pat, and Maria to give me another chance--maybe after ski season. Please e-mail me if you are interested in seeing the video. GMN618@aol.com

I love you all.

Submitted by Greg Nolan



CSC Winter 2010

Mt. Bachelor, February 20-27

Cost: Full \$1121 Ground \$776

Top 10 reasons to ski Mt. Bachelor:

BIG SIXTH largest resort in America!

VOLCANO ski down and around this amazing (extinct) volcanic cone

OREGON magnificent scenery in the Cascade mountains

BEND a thriving lifestyle town, population 80,000

HOST-PITALITY offering mountain host guide service daily

POWDER plenty of fresh snow, excellent grooming

FREEDOM no lift lines, crowds or congestion

TAX FREE no sales tax on purchases in Oregon

FUN do it all, tubing, snowmobiling, dog sledding and cross-country

INDULGE plenty of great restaurants and bars, some right at River House

We fly United to Portland then on to Bend, OR. The River House is where we will be staying. Visit their sites at www.visitbend.com and www.MtBachelor.com

Trip Leaders: Debbie Beaty dbeaty@cinci.rr.com
Pam Chidester pam.chidester@fmr.com

Trip Status: 36 spots, full, 4 on wait list

The Mt. Bachelor United Airline E-tickets are to be available for pickup at the February 17 meeting. Call Debbie or Pam if other arrangements need to be made before then.

We leave on February 20! Don't forget to check with United Airlines on Friday night for any last minute changes.



Canaan Valley/Timberline March 4-7

Cost: Single \$429 Double \$306

If you are able to arrange for either Triple or Quad rooming accommodations, Triple is \$276 and Quad is \$259

This is an OVSC Race weekend with several other clubs attending. Lodging at the Canaan Valley State Park Resort in hotel style rooms. Great price, great friends and guaranteed to be a fun weekend. We have rooms reserved for the CSC members. Trip cutoff is January 20 meeting.

3 Night Package Includes: lodging at Canaan Valley Resort with Beech Club privileges, 1 day (Friday) lift ticket to Canaan, 2 day (Sat/Sun) lift ticket to Timberline (not skiing Timberline? - \$50 rebate and activity credit at Canaan Valley), Friday Wine and Cheese Party (Canaan

Valley), 3 breakfasts (Canaan Valley), 1 Dinner (Canaan Valley), all taxes and gratuities and pre-party with CSC

Does not include Governor's Cup Race entry fee (oldest ski race in the South). The cost for 2 days racing is approximately \$30. Races will take place at Timberline on Saturday (GS) and Sunday (SL).

Trip Leader: Cheryl Zwirgzdas 513-253-9780
c.zwirgzdas@yahoo.com



Banff, Alberta, March 27-April 3

Cost: Full \$1686 Ground w/o bus \$996 (with bus + \$121)

Join us on the spring OVSC trip and experience the beautiful Canadian Rockies. With almost 8,000 acres of terrain, we will have the opportunity to ski three areas, all within the heart of "Canada's Protected Playground": Mt. Norquay – the best kept secret in the Rockies, Lake Louise – Canada's largest single ski resort, and Sunshine Village – Canada's highest elevated resort. We will be staying at the incredible Fairmont Banff Spring, the historic "castle in the Rockies" styled after a Scottish Baronial castle. The stunning vistas and many amenities, including the Willow Stream Spa will definitely spoil you. Plus, the nearby town of Banff is loaded with restaurants, bars and shopping. For those on the Full Package, we will be flying roundtrip into Calgary via either Minneapolis or Chicago – all itineraries/flights subject to change. Plus ground transportation to/from airport. Check out the area at: www.skibig3.com and www.fairmont.com. In addition to the lodging, air and ground transportation, the OVSC package includes a 5 day lift ticket interchangeable at the three areas, Welcome Party, Après Ski Party, Race and Mountain Picnic at Mt. Norquay, Dinner Dance with DJ, Baggage Handling and Trip Souvenir.

Trip Leaders:

Gail Viditz-Ward gail.viditz-ward@usi.biz 513-528-0622
Paul Lindenschmidt plindenschmidt@cinci.rr.com 513-398-2997

Trip Status: 24 spots, 6 spaces still available. Don't wait to sign up, we do final cut back on January 23.

NOTE: Pre-Party scheduled for Friday, February 12 at 7:00pm at the home of Gail and Bud Viditz-Ward. Also trip insurance is available – if interested, please contact us for information.

Every meeting December, January and February



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Calendar of Events

February	
3	General Meeting Meet the Candidates 7:00 dance lessons
12	TGIF Fox & Hound 5113 Bowen Drive Mason, OH 45040
17	General Meeting New Board Election Chili Cook-Off 7:00 dance lessons
20 – 27	Ski Mt. Bachelor
26	TGIF Buca Di Beppo 2635 Edmondson Road Cincinnati, OH 45209
March	
3	General Meeting
4-7	Ski CanaanValley/Timberline
12	TGIF Champps 9424 Civic Centre Blvd West Chester, OH 45069
26	TGIF Willie's Sports Cafe 401 Crescent Avenue Covington, KY 41011
3/27 – 4/3	Ski Banff

Racing Schedule

February 6-7	Mad River
February 13-14	Paoli Peaks
February 20	Perfect North
March 6-7	Timberline WV

Racing News!





We have proud news from this race season so far. On January 9-10, there was an event at Crystal Mountain in Michigan called Nastar Open. This event is a smaller version of the Nastar Nationals that will be held March 26-28 at Winter Park. Our club had two members attend this event in which there were about 100 racers. Alex Steinhilber and his son Connor, age 14, did very well. They both won their medal/age groups in Saturday's race so they were invited to race in the Race of Champions on Sunday. Former US Ski team member AJ Kitt set the pace that weekend and Saturday was like a typical Nastar race. Once AJ established the pace time, everyone got a handicap based on how they raced on Saturday. For Sunday's race, they ran the course then their time was adjusted based on their handicap from Saturday. Connor finished FIRST and won the overall men's competition. Alex said he thinks he came in about SIXTH. With the FIRST place finish, Connor wins a free entry into the Nastar Nationals. The Steinhilbers have been club members for a year and Alex is on the race staff at Perfect North. Also representing OVSC was John Keller from the Lafayette Ski Club, Rodney Kibbey and Stephanie Kibbey from the Louisville ski club. Stephanie finished SECOND in women on Sunday.

Congratulations Connor!!

Submitted by Tom Berning, CSC Racing Co-chair and OVSC Race Director

Meeting Spotlight on:

February 3, 2010

-  **Meet the Candidates**
-  **.....Kim and Kimmy's Bowling Adventure**

February 17, 2010

-  **Election Night**
-  **Chili Cook-Off**
-  **Golf League Sign-up**
-  **Spring Smokies Trip Sign-up**



Kim and Kimmy's Annual Bowling Adventure!

Come out and join us for a fun night of bowling!

You don't have to be a good bowler, you just have to know how to have fun!

Saturday, March 20, 8:00pm
Stone's Bowling Alley
Norwood, OH

\$16 per person - includes shoe rental
(pending Board approval)

Lots of Door Prizes and everyone gets S.W.A.G!!

Sign-ups start at the February 3 Meeting.



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Need more details on Activities and Events?

Visit www.cincinnatiiskiclub.org or www.cinski.org - either URL will get you to our site. Full details are available in the calendar on the site. Just click on the item and it will expand showing full information for the event. It's just so simple!



SITZMARK ARTICLES

**Next deadline: 7 pm, Friday,
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for the 02/17/10 issue

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