







April 3rd - 6:00 PM Awards Dinner & Officer Installation at the Piedmont Club



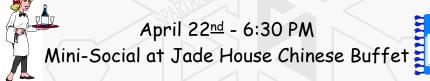


April 5th

Hike - Poinsett Passage

Meet at Sidestreet Pizza at 11 AM









April 24th-27th
CSC Spring Convention at Myrtle Beach



http://www.spartanburgskiclub.org

Ted's Corner

Well, we have had a great year. Hopefully we have another great year next year. I had a great board of directors that made life really easy for me. I would especially like to thank Alison for doing a super job on special events, Conni on fundraising, Pat on socials and the McCalls, with some help from Kent, on racing and overnight trips. Sammi kept track of the memberships, Art kept us straight as far as the money was concerned and Joy made sure we knew what was going on, so thanks to them as well. Fortunately we will have those directors back next year. Taylor will not be our newsletter publisher next year after ten years of dedicated service. I think he made the newsletter what is today and he deserves a special note of thanks. Taylor will still continue to update the web site. Charlie Darling will take over the newsletter. Thanks to Marcy for handling publicity and Stephany for programs, we had some new and interesting programs like the Kudzu man and the picture contest and thanks to Mike for standing in for me when I wasn't able to attend functions.

Make sure to join us at the Piedmont club for the officer's installation and for the presentation of awards. It's our annual get dressed up event so don't miss it. There is still time to sign up.

Congrats to the racing team for finishing third in the Southern division of Crescent. It was a tedious race season with early races being cancelled. Fortunately Mother Nature kicked in the later half of the season with good snow.

Planning for the Pig Roast is in full swing. This is one event you don't want to miss. Get your tickets from Alison by May 31st. Let's make this a big success.

Anyone interested in a board position please call me. We have several positions that are open and we need some new blood on the board. It's a great opportunity to get involved in the running of and the planning for the club for the coming year.

Ted

Spring Hike on the Poinsett Passage Saturday, April 5th

The Poinsett Passage is the portion of the Palmetto Trail that follows the NC, SC state line through the Greenville watershed. We will hike the 5.3 mile section from Hogback Mountian in Tryon to the Piney Grove Church near Saluda.

Meet at Sidestreet Pizza in Tryon at 11 am. We will carpool to the trailhead on Hogback and hike to cars waiting at the other end . We then return to Sidestreet for pizza, drinks etc.

Bring something to drink and a snack or lunch.

Please RSVP so I know how many cars to have at the end of the trail.

Mark McCall / 828 859-5500 or mmccall1@alltel.net

Day of hike / cell phone 864 580-0891

Rain date April 12

Greenville Drive May 10, 2008, 7:00 PM West End, Greenville

Join us for a fun adventure to Greenville for a minor league baseball game with the Greenville Drive and the Rome Braves. We will explore the West End, Reedy River Park and have an early dinner prior to the ball game.

Game tickets will be \$8.50 each and there are 14 available.

We will meet at 3:00 PM at Applebee's parking lot on the Westside and carpool. The parking at the West End is on the street or parking garages. We will have an early dinner at one of the West End restaurants, possibly The Mellow Mushroom. The game starts at 7:00 PM.

This was very enjoyable last year and we hope you will join us this year.

Please either call or e-mail for your reservations and send a check to me made payable to SSOC. I will also sell tickets at the Piedmont Club.

Mike Rogers 864-578-0618 kwizen@bellsouth.net

PIG ROAST TICKETS ... NOW FOR SALE! \$15 FOR ADULTS \$7 FOR CHILDREN AGED 7 - 12 FREE ~ CHILDREN UNDER 6



SATURDAY, JUNE 7^{TH} , 2:00 PM ~ UNTIL? ELKE'S HOME ON LAKE BOWEN

Please purchase your tickets with me. Tickets are numbered and yours will be reserved, and picked up at the table on Saturday.

Ticket cost includes all the pig you can eat, side dishes & desserts, beverages and lots of fun in the sun.

We are also planning a silent auction fundraiser for the club.

Please make your checks payable to SSOC and mail to:

Alison Kimball, 166 Ivy Circle, Inman SC 29349

Or pay me at any future club event.

ALL TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE IN ORDER TO

(Rain or Shine ~ Non Refundable)

PROVIDE HEADCOUNT ... DEADLINE: MAY 31ST.

GAMES AND MORE SALE

Don't forget I am still looking for your books and games, any kind of board games or even jigsaw puzzles. Our last book sale was a good success and we are hoping for another good turn out by our members and the visitors at the Chapman Cultural Center in May If you have anything you want me to pick up, please give me a call. I need them PRIOR to the May membership and I am looking for lots and lots of books and games. Don't forget, this is YOUR club and we can only operate on the funds we raise through activities such as this. Thanks!

Conni Harrell, 592-3405

SILENT AUCTION AT THE PIG ROAST

Do you have something nice in your home or office that you just don't use or need anymore and is in good condition? Time to donate it to the Pig Roast Silent Auction. All pig roast tickets include an auction number. If you see something you like, make a bid –high bidder wins the item. All proceeds go to the club fundraising kitty to help sponsor future charity donations, outings and food and beverage events! Start looking around now! More details to come in next month's newsletter ~ Alison

REMINDER......Music on Main

The club is obligated to work this event on June 12. Please keep this date reserved, as it is our biggest fund-raiser of the year. Don't forget we need those funds to operate the club and to support our charities. Sign ups will be available at the next 2 meetings or by phone if you want to call me.

Conni Harrell, 592-3405

I just wanted to say thanks to Taylor for all the years and for working with my articles, clip art and those "in-bedded" fonts!! Your dedication and service to our club this past decade is indeed appreciated.

~ Alison ~

EXCITING YEAR AHEAD ...

I have been asked by President Ted to continue my role as Activities
Director for our club this year and there are lots of wonderful outings
being planned and considered for the upcoming months including
these, just to name a few:

Baseball Game, Pig Roast, Pool Party, Flat Rock Playhouse, Picnic at a Vineyard, Hickory Knob Weekend, Ghost Trolley Ride, Fall Hike, White Elephant Sale, and anything that YOU would like to do ~ let me know and we'll see if we can plan it!













Skiers Lexicon

Alp — One of a number of ski mountains in Europe. Also a shouted request for assistance made by a European skier on a U.S. mountain. An appropriate reply: "What Zermatter?"

Avalanche — One of the few actual perils skiers face that needlessly frighten timid individuals away from the sport. See also: Blizzard, Fracture, Frostbite, Hypothermia, Lift Collapse.

Bindings — Automatic mechanisms that protect skiers from potentially serious injury during a fall by releasing skis from boots, sending the skis skittering across the slope where they trip two other skiers, and so on and on, eventually causing the entire slope to be protected from serious injury.

Bones — There are 206 in the human body. No need for dismay, however, two bones of the middle ear have never been broken in a skiing accident.

Cross-Country skiing — Traditional Scandinavian all terrain snow-traveling technique. It's good exercise. It doesn't require the purchase of costly lift tickets. It has no crowds or lines. Bonus: It isn't skiing. See Cross-Country Something-Or-Other.

Cross-Country Something-Or-Other — Touring on skis along trails in scenic wilderness, gliding through snowhushed woods far from the hubbub of the ski slopes, hearing nothing but the whispery hiss of the skis slipping through snow and the muffled tinkle of car keys dropping into the puffy powder of a deep, wind-sculpted drift.

Exercise — A few simple warm-ups to make sure you're prepared for the slopes:

- Tie a cinderblock to each foot with old belts and climb a flight of stairs.
- Sit on the outside of a second-story window ledge with your skis on and your poles in your lap for 30 minutes.
- Bind you legs together at the ankles, lie flat on the floor, then, holding a banana in each hand, get to your feet.

Gloves — Designed to be tight enough around the wrists to restrict circulation, but not so close fitting as to allow any manual dexterity; they should also admit moisture from the outside without permitting any dampness within to escape. **Gravity** — One of four fundamental forces in nature that affect skiers. The other three are the strong force, which makes bindings jam; the weak force which makes ankles give way on turns; and electromagnetism, which produces dead batteries in expensive ski resort parking lots. See Inertia.

Inertia — Tendency of a skier's body to resist changes in direction or speed due to the action of Newton's First Law of Motion. Goes along with these other physical laws:

- Two objects of greatly different mass falling side by side will have the same rate of descent, but the higher one will have larger hospital bills.
- Matter can neither be created nor destroyed, but if it drops out of a parka pocket, don't expect to encounter it again in our universe.
- When an irresistible force meets an immovable object, an unethical lawyer will immediately appear.

Prejump — Maneuver in which an expert skier makes a controlled jump just ahead of a bump. Beginners can execute a controlled prefall just before losing their balance and, if they wish, can precede it with a prescream and a few pregroans.



Skin — The bruised area on the front of the leg that runs from the point where the ache from the wrenched knee ends to where the soreness from the strained ankle begins.

Ski! — A shout to alert people ahead that a loose ski is coming down the hill. Another warning skiers should be familiar with is "Avalanche!" — which tells everyone that a hill is coming down the hill.

Skier — One who pays an arm and a leg for the opportunity to break them.

Stance — Your knees should be flexed, but shaking slightly; your arms straight and covered with a good layer of goose flesh; your hands forward, palms clammy, knuckles white and fingers icy, your eyes a little crossed and darting in all directions. Your lips should be quivering, and you should be mumbling, "Why?"

Thor — The Scandinavian god of acheth and paineth.

Traverse — To ski across a slope at an angle; one of two quick and simple methods of reducing speed.

Tree — The other method.

Courtesy Crescent Ski Council

Crescent Racing

Spartanburg Race Team finished another successful season at Silver Creek West Virginia on March 8 & 9. Jake Parrish and Nick Mills represented Spartanburg at this event. Our team finished the season in third place place out of seven teams in the Southern division and brought home a nice trophy.

Become a Member

A copy of our membership application is located at the following web address:

http://www.spartanburgskiclub.org/membership/ssocappl.doc

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Subaru VIP Discount Program

Subaru is a proud sponsor of the Crescent Ski Council racing program. Part of their sponsorship package this year includes the VIP Discount Program for all CSC members. Qualifying members of a CSC club can purchase a new Subaru at dealer cost minus any incentives which are currently being offered. To qualify you must be a member of a CSC club for at least 6 months. If you are interested, please notify Ted or Mark of your intent to participate.

Subaru will mail the VIP information to you, which will include information about local dealers and participating in the VIP program. Once you have received the information, you can go to a local dealer, pick out the Subaru that you want, the dealer will pull the invoice and let the purchaser know if there are any current incentives. The VIP program will be in effect from October 1, 2006 through September 30, 2008. Please take advantage of this wonderful benefit that our own Ron Scott secured for all CSC clubs.

REMINDERS

Any Spartanburg Ski Club member may submit items for publication in the newsletter. Publication deadlines can be found on the pullout calendar included in the newsletter each month. Call Taylor for information on how to submit your newsletter item.

Also, don't forget - the club has a "tent" available for rent. It is an 18 X 20 tent, and it is easy to assemble. We also have 4 tables that can be rented with or without the tent. We have the makings for that special occasion and it is all very reasonably priced! Tent rental is \$ 25. Tables can be rented for \$5 per table. Remember; don't have a party without the comfort of shade. Your guests will appreciate it and so will the club! For rentals of either tent or tables contact Joy Bobo.

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