



Happy New Year!

Cover photo courtesy of Blue Mountain.

It's a new year, a new ski season . . . and as 2015 is welcomed in, we also invite our members to welcome in some new members! Talk with your friends, co-workers, family members, neighbors, and whoever else you run into and let them know just how much fun can be had by being a part of a ski club.

Yes, folks can get discounted tickets at ski shops or maybe purchase a great lodging package online, but what you CAN'T get at a store or online is the camaraderie, friendships, and human interaction of being part of a group of people who share common interests. This year, let's show them all what they've been missing!

What's also missing this month, is a definitive program for January's meeting — board members have been working diligently to arrange for a speaker, but scheduling conflicts have left us with a bit of mystery as to what our program will be. So, come out and be surprised!

As always, the January meeting also features a 50/50 raffle, details on club trips, and membership renewals. So bring your friends, renewal checks, and trip payments, and come join us!

LOCAL EVENTS

- **January 13:** Snow Pig bus trip to Elk Mountain, see page 2
- **January 16:** Salter's Ski Shop CAD day, Bear Creek, \$20 lifts
- **January 23:** Buckmans Demo / CAD Day, Blue Mountain
- **January 23:** Salter's Ski Shop, CAD, Elk Mtn, \$27 lifts, limit 2
- **January 30:** Buckmans Demo / CAD Day, Camelback Mountain
- **February 6:** Salter's Ski Shop CAD day, Blue Mtn., \$35 lifts
- **February 10:** Snow Pig bus trip to Elk Mountain, page 2
- **February 12:** Valentine Social, club meeting, Elks Lodge, Colmar
- **February 20:** Buckmans CAD day, Blue Mountain
- **February 23:** Salter's Ski Shop CAD day, Bear Creek, \$20 lifts
- **February 27:** Pelican Shop CAD / Demo day, Blue Mtn, \$30 lifts
- **February 21-28:** NPSC trip to Whitefish Montana, page 2

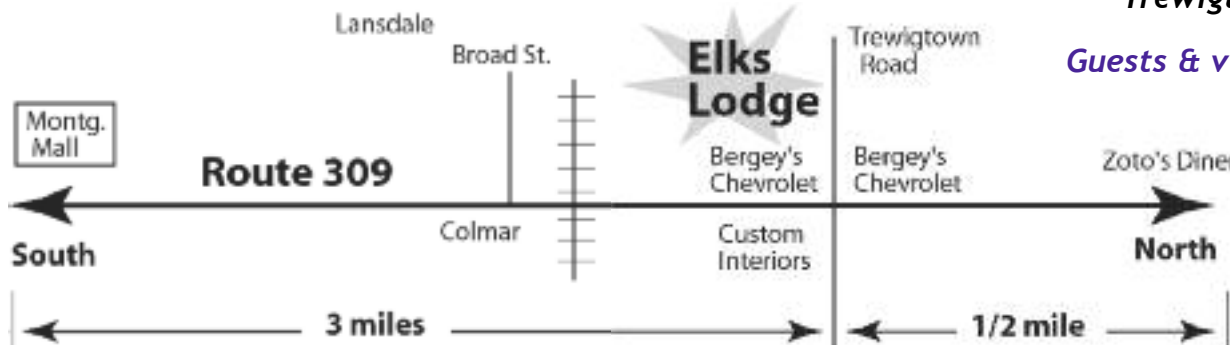
NEXT MEETING:



Thursday, January 8

7:30pm, Elks Lodge
Trewigtown Rd, Colmar

Guests & visitors welcome!



Incliment weather?
Call an officer for any cancellation information.

Elk Mountain: Tuesdays, January 13 & February 10

Details each day: Meet at 6AM Hagey Tours lot at 210 Schoolhouse Road, Souderton – just a mile or so from Route 113. For folks north of that, we have a stop at the Quakertown turnpike exchange “park and ride” lot, and this pick-up is scheduled for 6:30AM. Folks going on either trip MUST let me know which location you will be boarding the bus.

The \$75 per person cost each day includes lift ticket, transportation, and OJ /donuts /snacks on the bus. Lunch is on your own. We typically ski from 9am to 4:30pm. Discounted rentals and lessons are available — please notify me in advance if you require these.

If you already have lift tickets to Elk from some other means, bus transportation is available for \$45 per person.

SENIORS age 65 or more, your cost for each trip is just \$65!

Contact: JoAnne Landis at 215 234 0358 or joscott49(at)verizon.net for more info.



Other Elk Days

Can't make the NPSC bus? Then you might consider carpooling with folks from Bucks County Ski Club! Don Phy is organizing monthly Friday visits to Elk where folks are carpooling, meeting in the “old lodge” that is slopeside, and enjoying packed lunches by the firepit in that lodge.

BCSC's dates are Fridays, January 9, February 13, and March 13. You're on your own for lift tickets, so you can use vouchers from local auctions/expos or purchase what you need from EPSC's Discount Lift program.

Don Phy: 215-805-4783

WHITEFISH, MONTANA

February 21-28, 2015 Price: \$1,620 per person, double occupancy.

Maybe some last minute spots available for “singles” — SIGN UP NOW!

Air: Roundtrip Philadelphia/Kalispell via Delta Airlines includes all current taxes and security charges. Checked bag fees are additional. Roundtrip airport transfer from Kalispell/Whitefish via private bus. **Lodging:** 7 nights at Kandahar Lodge, including taxes. 15 hotel rooms, each with two queen beds. Roundtrip portage is included at Hotel.

- Welcome wine and cheese reception; Daily extended continental breakfast
- 5-of-7 days ski pass; 6th day of skiing, add \$55, which must be prepaid with final payment. Senior age 65-69, deduct \$10 for a 5-day pass; age 70+ ski free. Non-skiers deduct \$210.

Balance due 12-29-14. Contact Jenny Hutchison at 215-541-1189. Make checks payable to NPSC and mail to: 3225 Fennel Rd, Pennsburg, PA 18073, or bring to December's meeting.



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Open Position

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Programs Wanted

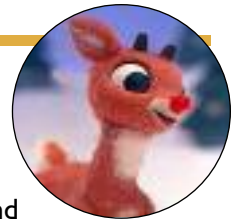
If you have ideas for a presentation, or know of a good speaker we could have at a monthly club meeting, give one of the Board members your suggestions so they can research and coordinate something for future get togethers!

Feel free to step up and volunteer to coordinate one of our programs with a board member yourself. We could really use some NEW topics and speakers, so the more ideas and helpers we get, the better – thanks!

Dinner Invitation

Folks who would rather not truck home and back again between work and the club meeting can join fellow members for dinner each month at **Giuseppe's at 6pm** (next to Fortuna train station, Broad Street and Cowpath Road, Lansdale).

Member News & Travel Stories



Congratulations

Congrats and belated happy birthday wishes go out to Butch DeBonis, who is now a member of the 70+ club! Fortunately, there are still quite a few ski resorts who treat 70-and-over's to a free day of skiing – enjoy Butch!

December Meeting / Party

December's general meeting and annual Holiday Party was a blast! A good turnout of gift exchange participants – and Santa, of course – made for a lively session of package “stealing” and laughter! Thanks go out to Jenny Hutchison for coordinating the festivities, Roberta Alvin for baking lots of delicious holiday goodies, Tom Triol for his Santa impersonation, and to Larry Kirschner for providing our get together with holiday music via electronic keyboard. A good time was had by all!

New Member:

Linda Wilderman

Welcome to the club!



Ski Fest & Auction

Our annual auction in November was filled with great pre-season deals, and in Suzanne Hartley's honor, was well attended and rated right up there with our “best ever” events.

Lift tickets from resorts all over the country were auctioned off, such as Snowmass, Jackson Hole, Loon, Mount Snow, Mount Bachelor, Sun Valley, Smugglers Notch, Bolton Valley, Crested Butte, Elk Mountain, Gore, Stowe, Telluride, Vail, Windham, and Montage. Our auctioneer, Dave Schoneker, kept the bidding action lively and entertaining. A great number of local establishment gift certificates, ski apparel, gift baskets, and all sorts of items were collected by various club members. A BIG THANK YOU goes to everyone who helped organize the event, obtain donations, set up, take down, and bake desserts — anything you may have done to help make this a success, we thank you!

Now, just be sure to thank each local business and/or ski resort that donated the item you purchased for having done so — without them, this event would definitely have been nothing!

Facebook Friends:

If you're on Facebook, we invite you to “LIKE” North Penn's page! Support the club by being a friend and recommending the page to other Facebook friends and skiers. Our page features comics, member photos, interesting resort information, upcoming club events, ski shop deals, other club's trips, etc. Check it out!

Home for Sale

A former member's 3-bedroom, 1.5 bath townhome at 211 Pebble Court in Chalfont, PA is listed at \$237,000 and is ready for a new owner! Go to www.realtor.com and search for the address to find all the details you need regarding this home. Share info with friends who are looking to move!



Birthdays!

Verna Richert	January 4
David Russ	January 6
Diane Dunn	January 6
Jeff Miller	January 6
Linda Dedman	January 6
Kevin LaTorre	January 9
Marian LeTarte	January 14
Andrea Schoneker	January 19
Brian LaTorre	January 20
Pat Smith	January 24
Elsie Schuss	January 27
Mindy Moore	January 27
Neal Prosen	February 4
Rich Mazur	February 5
Melissa Walter	February 7



Second Retirement

Best wishes for a great winter go out to Ed Murphy, who is enjoying the 2014/15 season as a part-time snowboard instructor at Breckenridge! (Amazing what a seasonal part-time, volunteer teaching gig, and weekend ASIA clinics can morph into after a few years, eh?) Have a great time in Colorado, Ed!

Ski Related News

Kingdom Trails: A multiple-use trail system in Burke, Vermont, unlike any other and recently voted as the 'Best Mountain Bike Trail Network' in North America by Bike Magazine in their annual Reader's Poll. The Kingdom Trails are operated as non-motorized trails year-round with opportunities for all levels of ability — in mountain biking, snowshoeing, and cross country skiing! The trails are groomed with a snowmobile, now offer better signage and information kiosks, improved Nordic intersections, and a nice new map. The KT Nordic Adventure Center is located across from the Wildflower Inn at 2074 Darling Hill Road, Lyndonville VT 05851, where you can purchase day passes, memberships, trail information, and merchandise. Hours: 7 days/week 9am-4pm.

Trail conditions are weather dependent and can be variable throughout the system. The snow pack depth and air temperatures are major factors that affect what's open/closed, able to be groomed, or what is suitable to ski or ride on. For the most up-to-date trail information, call the Nordic Adventure Center at 802.626.6005.



Local Websites & Snow Phones

www.bcmountainresort.com	610-682-7100
www.skibluemt.com	610-826-7700
www.skicamelback.com	1-800-233-8100
www.elkskier.com	1-800-233-4131
www.jfbb.com	1-800-475-SNOW
www.shawneemt.com	1-800-233-4218
www.montageisback.com	1-855-SKI-SWIM
springmountainadventures.com	610-287-7900

7 Springs: This winter, make the most of your family's time together and make new fun memories! Enjoy a winter getaway filled with unexpected extras – and maybe even take in a tour of Pittsburgh too. (we said "unexpected"!)



The Winter Family Memories lodging package includes: Two nights of lodging in the Main Lodge, Unlimited skiing/snowboarding at Seven Springs from 4pm the day of your arrival until close the day you check-out, Breakfast each morning, Dinner buffet one evening, One family-sized one-topping pizza per room, One snow tubing session per person, One round of miniature golf per person, One game of bowling per person, One roller skating rental per person, One Bear Trap Fun Zone game card per child, and Access to the indoor swimming pool and fitness center.

Up to two children, age 11 and under, receive free lodging, free skiing, and free inclusion package when sharing a room with paying adults. For more information or to make reservations, call (866) 437-1300. www.7springs.com

Discount Lift Tickets

For use by NPSC members ONLY!

Take advantage of the Discount Lift Ticket program offered to all members of EPSC this season. However, be frugal and order only what tickets you are sure to use! Simply visit EPSC's website, www.easternPAskicouncil.org, complete the form and e-mail it to "The Ticket Guy" address provided (Ken Foster). Ken will verify your club membership and send the vouchers to you as soon as possible.

Graphic Design

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brochures, logos, flyers, newsletters, ads

Have a creative pro design your promotional materials!

Club & Council Days

Bear Creek Mountain Resort: Every Wednesday (except during holiday periods), lift tickets are just \$20 with a showing of your ski club membership card. That's just \$20 to ski from 9am to 10pm, or any amount of time in between! For folks age 70 or more, lift tickets at Bear are FREE.

EPSC's Council (Fun) Day and Cup Race will take place Sunday, March 8, 2015 at Bear Creek. If you're interested in racing as part of a club team, visit Council's web site for information and registration forms. Or, just come out for a day of inexpensive skiing! www.easternPAskicouncil.org

Northern Websites & Phones

www.belleayre.com	1-800-942-9604
www.goremountain.com	1-800-342-1234
www.greekpeak.net	1-800-365-7669
www.windhammountain.com	1-800-SKI-WINDHAM
www.killington.com	1-800-422-3261
www.mountsnow.com	1-802-464-2151
www.okemo.com	1-802-228-5222
www.loonmtn.com	1-603-745-8100

NORTH PENN SKI CLUB

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Membership effective January 1-December 31

Name: _____

New Member Family \$25

Address: _____

Renewal Individual \$20

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Change of Address

Phone #: () _____ Work #: () _____

How would you like to receive your monthly newsletters? (check one)

E-Mail: _____

via E-mail via Postal mail

(this information is required if you wish to receive your newsletters via e-mail -- please print clearly)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

The North Penn Ski club is a year-round social/sports club providing a variety of activities for its members. Most of the activities are, to a varying degree, hazardous. By making application for membership, I voluntarily assume the risks involved. By assuming all risks involved, I agree not to hold THE NORTH PENN SKI CLUB, its Officers, or Board Members liable for any accident or injury resulting from my (or other family member) participation in a club activity. After reading and understanding this Release of Liability, I hereby apply for membership in the NORTH PENN SKI CLUB.

MUST BE SIGNED BY ALL APPLICANTS AGE 21 AND OVER.

Family membership includes any child, regardless of age, who is enrolled in an institution of higher education during the period of such enrollment. Upon graduation, any person who is 21 years of age or older may become an individual member.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Please send application to (or bring it along with you to one of the meetings):

NPSC — Bob Lorence, NPSC Membership
304 Killybegs Lane
Plymouth Meeting PA 19462

SPECIAL INTERESTS

Enter your # next to all interests that apply

- 1. Alpine Skiing ___ ___ ___ ___
- 2. Alpine Racing ___ ___ ___ ___
- 3. Cross Country ___ ___ ___ ___
- 4. Ski Instructor ___ ___ ___ ___
- 5. Ski Patrol ___ ___ ___ ___
- 6. Sailing ___ ___ ___ ___
- 7. Golf ___ ___ ___ ___
- 8. Volleyball ___ ___ ___ ___
- 9. Tennis ___ ___ ___ ___
- 10. Water Skiing ___ ___ ___ ___
- 11. Hiking ___ ___ ___ ___
- 12. Biking ___ ___ ___ ___
- 13. Canoeing ___ ___ ___ ___
- 14. Rafting ___ ___ ___ ___
- 15. Camping ___ ___ ___ ___
- 16. Backpacking ___ ___ ___ ___
- 17. Ballooning ___ ___ ___ ___
- 18. Swimming ___ ___ ___ ___
- 19. Theater Trips ___ ___ ___ ___
- 20. Photography ___ ___ ___ ___
- 21. Snowboarding ___ ___ ___ ___

22. Other: _____

MEMBER INFORMATION

EXPERIENCE

SKIING

SNOWBOARDING

1	Name	___	Novice	___
		___	Beginner	___
	Occupation	___	Intermediate	___
		___	Advanced	___
	Date of Birth	___	Expert	___
2	Name	___	Novice	___
		___	Beginner	___
	Occupation	___	Intermediate	___
		___	Advanced	___
	Date of Birth	___	Expert	___
3	Name	___	Novice	___
		___	Beginner	___
	Occupation	___	Intermediate	___
		___	Advanced	___
	Date of Birth	___	Expert	___
4	Name	___	Novice	___
		___	Beginner	___
	Occupation	___	Intermediate	___
		___	Advanced	___
	Date of Birth	___	Expert	___

This section to be completed by NPSC officer: Cash Check # _____ Amount Paid: \$ _____

Membership Card issued _____ (date & initials)

Council Appreciation Days: STOWE MOUNTAIN RESORT, VT

January 7-9, February 4-6, March 20-22,
and April 10-12, 2015

Adult Lifts: (13+ yrs) / Child Lifts (6-12yrs)

1 day: \$44/\$32 2 day: \$88/\$64 3 day: \$132/\$96

Available to Ski club/ Council members only – with membership card having the National Ski Council Federation label on it! Must also purchase (\$5) or present an Evolution Stowe Card which uses technology to grant hands-free access to lifts and replaces a traditional lift ticket. Vouchers available at Spruce Camp Base lodge, Mansfield, and Midway Guest Service Desks. Discounts on area lodging available as well at Commodores Inn, Golden Eagle Resort, Topnotch Resort & Spa, Stowe Motel, Town & Country, and Inn at the Mountain..



WHITEFACE, NY AND BELLEAYRE, NY

Tickets are \$38 /person with a valid ski club card AND photo ID. Each person must show photo ID and ski club or council card.

Whiteface: January 9, February 2, March 1-2, March 29-30

Belleayre: January 17, January 31, February 21, and March 22

Gore (\$42): January 16, February 9, March 6, and March 21, 22

MOUNT SNOW, VT

To purchase tickets, members must go to the Group Sales office in the Clocktower Building (M-F) from 8:30am - 1pm, and at the Sundance Base Lodge on weekends and holidays from 7:30am - 1pm. You must present your club membership card to receive the discount; one discounted ticket per membership card per day. Rates are for all ages.

(Fridays) February 20 and March 13: \$46,

(Saturdays) February 21 and March 14: \$54

(Sundays) February 22 and March 15: \$49

Visit our web site! www.northpennskiclub.org



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Ski Club**

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Lansdale, PA 19446



Sorry kids –
No more “snow days”!!