



# HVSC

**Hudson Valley Ski Club**

Poughkeepsie, New York  
\* 2014 \* Our 76th Year \*

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## WHITE WATER RAFTING

May 2-4, 2014

On the Upper Hudson River  
17 miles of rafting on Class III & IV rapids  
NYS Licensed Guides – Beaverbrook Outfitters  
Wet suits, helmets, PFD provided  
Lunch on the river

Dinner provided afterwards at Inn on Gore

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Whitewater Derby and Adirondack

Adventure Festivities

Don't miss out on the fun!

Space is limited. Sign up now.

Cost: \$225 \$125 due upon signup

balance due by March 28

Make checks payable to **Carole Daniels** (trip leader)

388 Freedom Road, Pleasant Valley, NY 12569

[cbdisland@aol.com](mailto:cbdisland@aol.com) 845-635-3949

## Annual Election Meeting

Wednesday, April 2

Reminder:  
"The election of officers shall take place at the Annual meeting. The first regular meeting in April shall be considered the Annual meeting, providing a quorum is present and the Board has met all its election duties." *HVSC Bylaws*

Anyone wishing to run or nominate someone to run to be a club officer or for the Board of Directors should contact **Pat Marsh**.

If you are eligible, come to the meeting and cast your vote. The current slate of officers and Board of Directors :

Office	Candidate(s)
President	open
Vice President	Frank Van Zanten
Treasurer	Jim Gahn
Secretary	open
Sergeant at Arms	Pat Cummins
Board of Directors	Keith Faucher Ellen Kelly

### **Pat Marsh**

*Chair, 2014 Nominating Committee*  
Hudson Valley Ski Club  
[H2oopr@verizon.net](mailto:H2oopr@verizon.net)

## AMENDMENTS TO HVSC BYLAWS

Over the past six months the Constitution Committee has performed a thorough review of the club's Bylaws to determine where changes

should be made to more accurately reflect the current environment. The Board of Directors recommends approval of eight amendments to the Bylaws and these are to be voted on at the Annual Meeting on April 2, 2014.

The proposed Amendments are set forth on pages 4 through 5 of this Newsletter. John Macek, Constitution Committee Chairman, will review the amendments at the regular membership meeting on March 19 and again on April 2 prior to voting.

Your Bylaws set forth all rules the club considers so important that they cannot be changed without previous notice to the members and the approval by a quorum of eligible voters. The entire current Bylaws document is available in the members section of the club website.

**John Macek**, (845) 489-6056



**Club Information**

**Club Officers**

**President:** vacant  
**Vice-President:** Frank Van Zanten  
**Secretary:** Helen Dickerson  
**Treasurer:** Jim Gahn  
**Sergeant at Arms:** vacant

**Board of Directors**

Herb Eschbach Craig Goldstein  
 Carole Daniels Pamela Smith  
 John Macek

**Committee Chairs**

**Budget and Finance:**

Carole Daniels

**Constitution:**

John Macek

**Events:**

Gwen Cardarelli & Ellen Kelly

**Instruction:**

Mark Searle

**Marketing and Publicity:**

Craig Goldstein

-Media Liaison Christine Desmoni

**Meeting Programs** Jim Gahn

**Membership Services:**

Pete Gray

-Sub-Chair: **Welcoming, Mentoring,**

**Retention:** Shirley Rinaldi

**Newsletter - Website:**

Mike Harellick

**Ski Council - Discount Tickets:**

Jim Gahn

**Ski Trips:**

Bill Egan

Contact information is available in the Online Membership Directory on the club website



**Welcome to the following new member:**

Kathleen Balthazar-Heitzmann

The **2013-2014 Membership Directories** are now available. You can pick up your copy at the Membership Table at any meeting or I can mail one (Single Memberships) or two (Couple Memberships) to you if you send me a stamped, self-addressed, 9"x12" envelope (minimum). The postage for one Membership Directory is \$1.12 and for two is \$1.32. **Pete Gray**



HVSC member **John Brooks** is home from the hospital.

*From John:*  
 "Thank you for all of your

*thoughtful cards and get well wishes. I would welcome brief visits at my home between 11am and 5pm. The recent snow reminds me of many FUN trips we have had!"*

Members can find John's address and contact information in the Membership Directory.

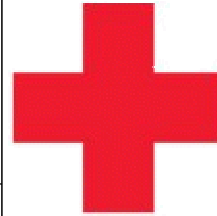
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[www.HudsonValleySkiClub.org](http://www.HudsonValleySkiClub.org) website for the most recent updates.



Tuesday May 13

**2nd Annual HVSC sponsored BLOOD DRIVE**

co-sponsored by the Poughkeepsie Public Library, to be held at the Mid-Hudson Library System auditorium, in Poughkeepsie, 1:30 - 6:30PM. Save the date. Recruit your friends and relatives. The drive is required to produce a minimum of 45 pints. For more info contact **Frank Van Zanten**

**70 Plus Ski Club Race at Hunter Mountain Frank Van Zanten Won a Gold Medal**



"Frank won a gold medal in the annual 70+ ski club's races at Hunter Mountain. It was stiff



competition for him. He is so proud of his gold medal he said he is thinking of having it bronzed." *Sue Eschbach*

Photos courtesy of Dave Cardall and Sue Eschbach



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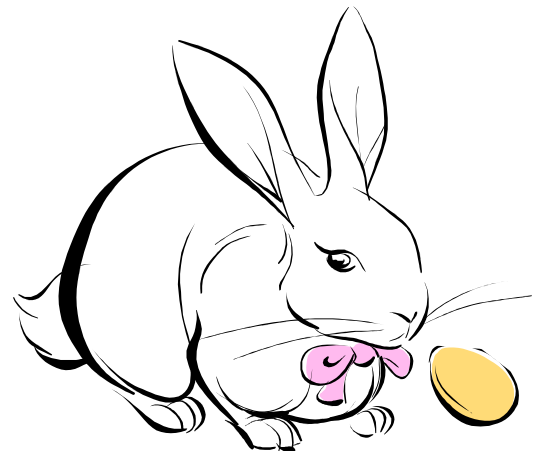


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 Lic. Associate R.E. Broker



## NEW JERSEY SKI & SNOWBOARD COUNCIL PRESIDENTS'S RACE

HUNTER MOUNTAIN, NY

SATURDAY – MARCH 22, 2014

Saturday, March 22, 2014 will be the annual President's Race at Hunter Mountain, NY sponsored by the NJ Ski & Snowboard Council. This event is open to all HVSC members and their children and to skiers and riders of all ages and abilities. Anyone who has attended this event in the past can attest to its success.

To qualify for club team awards, the team must have a minimum of seven participants, of which three are women. The more racers a club has improves the chances of winning the team award.

On race day, all participants must arrive by 8 AM for bib pickup and form completion (release of liability). Course inspection will begin at 9:30 AM and racing begins promptly at 10:30 AM. You will have two timed runs.

The cost of the event is \$68 and this includes a lift ticket, race fee, awards party (pizza) door prizes and a 5"x 7" photo. HVSC will pick up a portion of the cost (\$31 for Race & Party) for this event. There will be no cost if you have a Hunter lift ticket. Children of club members that race will have to pay the entire cost.

Pre-registration is required by 3/14/14. If you want to participate, please contact **Tom Pompei** by 3/13/14 at (845) 462-3944 or E-mail [typ606@optonline.net](mailto:typ606@optonline.net).

### Hudson Valley Renegades Game

and tailgate party  
June 14

Game starts at 7:05.

Tailgate meets in the tailgate area of the parking lot at 5:00.

BYOB plus a dish to share.

June 14, Saturday is a fireworks night.

Tickets: \$10 payable when reserving ticket.

Make check to: Gwen Cardarelli, and mail to:

#### Gwen Cardarelli

c/o Virginia May  
118 Cedar Ave.,  
Poughkeepsie, NY 12603-4725.

Reservations accepted to May 30.



## Proposed Bylaw Amendments

### Amendment 1.

#### ARTICLE III - Membership

Section 2 – Eligibility – Regular Membership

##### Currently stated.

2.1 A prospective new member must attend a regular meeting as a guest, and may then become a Regular member by, or a continuing Regular member may retain Regular membership status by, filling out and filing a Club membership application form, accompanied by the appropriate dues and application fee described in Article IV, with the membership committee. Exceptions to these requirements may be appealed to the Board of Directors.

(Skiing participation requirement except as described in Section 3.1 below repealed 10/21/92)

##### Proposed –

Remove requirement for prospective member to attend a regular meeting as a guest. Remove notation on Skiing Participation

2.1 A prospective new member may become a Regular member by, or a continuing Regular member may retain Regular membership status by, filling out and filing a Club membership application form, accompanied by the appropriate dues and application fee described in Article IV, with the membership committee. Exceptions to these requirements may be appealed to the Board of Directors.

### Amendment 2.

#### Article VI – Eligibility, Nominations, Elections and Terms of Office

Section I – Eligibility

##### Currently stated.

1.1 To be eligible for any elected office of the Club, a candidate must have been a Voting member for twelve consecutive months prior to that member's election except a candidate seeking election to be President shall have been a Voting member for twenty four months prior to election. No elected Board member may hold at the same time another elected office of the Club.

##### Proposed

Amend requirements to remove the 12 and 24 consecutive months voting member requirement and institute current year and current plus prior year voting member requirement.

1.1 To be eligible for any elected office of the Club, a candidate must be a voting member at the time of the Annual Election, except a candidate seeking election to be President shall have been a voting member at the time of the Annual Election and

at the time of the prior year's Annual Election. No elected Board member may hold at the same time another elected office of the Club.

### Amendment 3.

#### Article VII The Board of Directors of the Club

Section 2.4 – The Treasurer

##### Currently stated.

2.4.1 The Treasurer shall collect and safely keep all the monies of the Club and pay all bills approved for payment by the President and Treasurer according to the terms specified on the bill, and insure all incomes and expenditures are documented and supported by the correct Club voucher, invoice, or other form approved by the Board of Directors.

##### Proposed

Amend requirements to add other officers of the club to approve payment of all bills.

2.4.1 The Treasurer shall collect and safely keep all the monies of the Club and pay all bills approved for payment by the President, or other Officer, and Treasurer according to the terms specified on the bill, and insure all incomes and expenditures are documented and supported by the correct Club voucher, invoice, or other form approved by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors, by resolution, will prepare a schedule of repetitive payments or payments below a certain dollar threshold for the Treasurer to pay without the President or other Officer approval requirement.

### Amendment 4.

#### Article VII – The Board of Directors

Section 3 – The General duties and responsibilities of the entire Board of Directors shall be:

##### Currently stated.

3.2. To authorize expenditures up to \$1000.00 of the Club's funds on any one expenditure for any specific purpose related to the Club's interest outside of any committee.

3.3. To authorize the advancement for expenditure when necessary an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 to any chairperson of a committee for the effective functioning of that committee. This expenditure maximum shall not hinder the successful functioning of the Ski Trip Committee nor Discount ticket purchases authorized by the Board of Directors.

##### Proposed

Consolidate Board of Director expenditure approval requirements.

3.2. Eliminate this provision as it is included within 3.3 which follows.

3.3. To authorize expenditures in excess of \$1000.00 for the

effective functioning of the club. This expenditure maximum shall not hinder the functioning of the Ski Trip Committee to make contractually specified payments

#### **Amendment 5.**

##### **Article VII – The Board of Directors**

Section 3 – The General duties and responsibilities of the entire Board of Directors shall be:

##### **Currently stated.**

3.9. To cause to be performed a professional audit of the Club's financial records and all accounts at least once a year, and completed no later than the close of the fiscal year and transfer of the books on May 31.

##### **Proposed**

Given the small size and uncomplicated nature of the Club's finances, professional audits are very expensive and unnecessary. An audit committee reporting to the Board of Directors and comprised of members with some financial experience can perform this function.

3.9. Upon recommendation of the Audit Committee, the Board will determine whether to have a professional audit or an internal, Audit Committee directed, audit of the Club's financial records, accounts and financial statements at least once a year prior to the publication of Financial Statements or IRS filings.

#### **Amendment 6.**

##### **Article VII – The Board of Directors**

Section 3 – The General duties and responsibilities of the entire Board of Directors shall be:

##### **New – Conflict of Interest**

There has been increased scrutiny by the IRS and New York State into the governance of not for profit organizations. One key area of focus is on conflicts of interest to insure the management of the organization is acting in the best interests of the organization and not for personal or family gain.

3.16 Whenever a director or officer has a financial or personal interest in any matter coming before the board of directors, the affected person shall a) fully disclose the nature of the interest and b) withdraw from discussion, lobbying, and voting on the matter. Any transaction or vote involving a potential conflict of interest shall be approved only when a majority of disinterested directors determine that it is in the best interest of the club to do so. The minutes of meetings at which such votes are taken shall record such disclosure, abstention and rationale for approval. Each director or officer will receive a copy of the club's conflict of interest policy

upon election or appointment and will be required to annually complete a Conflict-of-Interest Disclosure Statement.

#### **Amendment 7.**

##### **Article XI – Permanent Committees**

Section 2 – The duties of the Committees

##### **Currently Stated**

2.7 Trip - It shall be the duty of this committee to schedule and make all arrangements for several weekend trips and day trips, to be held during the ski season, at the discretion of this committee. It shall be the further duty of this committee to announce each trip to the membership as far in advance of the trip as possible, to collect all monies in connection with these arrangements, and to arrange rides for those members or prospective members requesting same.

##### **Proposed**

Existing description does not mention longer term trips.

2.7 Trip - It shall be the duty of this committee to schedule and make all arrangements for several single and multi-day ski trips to be held during the ski season at the discretion of this committee. It shall be the further duty of this committee to announce each trip to the membership as far in advance of the trip as possible and to collect all monies in connection with these arrangements.

#### **Amendment 8**

##### **Article XI – Permanent Committees**

Section 1 – The Committees

**Add – Audit Committee**

Section 2 – The duties of the Committees

##### **Add**

2.12 Audit – The audit committee oversees and/or performs a proper review of the Club's financial statements, as well as the Club's risk management to include monitoring the internal control environment. Reviews, or Audits may be external or internal as approved by the Board of Directors. Each member shall be free of any relationship that, in the opinion of the board, would interfere with his or her individual exercise of independent judgment.

## *Killington* 3-Day Weekend



"I'd like to thank all of the participants of the Killington 3 Day Ski Trip. Thanks for making the job so easy for me. You were a gracious, enthusiastic and non-complaining group! Kevin and I had a wonderful four days of skiing and I hope your days on the slopes were just as satisfying!

"A special thanks to Mickey Cahill for our Saturday morning tour. We all loved it! Also a shout out to Janis Cahill for helping me choose a restaurant for our group dinner. The Foundry was an excellent choice.

"Killington still continues to be a favorite destination for skiing great snow, varied terrain, delicious food, hottest après ski and nightlife in the East! Glad we could be a part of it."

**Susan Hasbrouck Kokosa**, Trip Leader

## Pioneers of Schweitzer

Nineteen members pioneered our first ever club trip to Schweitzer Mountain. What a wonderful week! Some rain, some fog, some snow and a few bluebird days provided variety and adventure.



Schweitzer offers 2,900 acres with a 2,400 foot vertical drop and an average annual snowfall of 300 inches. The mountain has only 10% beginner terrain and no lift lines so our skiers were able to rack up the miles. There were no crowds and it often felt like we were the only ones on the mountain. It was not unusual to find some nice untouched snow on the side of the trails.

We stayed slope side at the Selkirk Lodge and we took advantage of all the amenities. We started our day with a full skier breakfast before our short walk to the lift. After skiing we hit the outdoor hot tubs and then reconvened at the hotel bar just as Bill Dunstan hit the gavel to begin the "meeting". Lots of fun and good stories to tell over a few drinks.

Thank you, everyone, for making this trip such a pleasure. Many participants have mentioned how nice it was to get to know each other a little better. The location and size of the trip led to some great camaraderie and atmosphere of inclusion. Lastly, a special thank you to Ellen Kelly for introducing the Hudson Valley Ski Club to Schweitzer.

**Bill Egan**, Trip Leader

## 2014 Officer Installation Party

Friday April 25  
6:30 - 9:30 pm  
Fresco Chop & Ale House  
1639 Rt 376  
Wappingers Falls  
(next to Dutchess County Airport)

Buffet Style to include  
Wings, BBQ Ribs, Meatballs,  
Cajun Shrimp, Pasta and lots more!  
Cash Bar

\$22 per person (\$27 after April 11)

Come out and congratulate the new Board of Directors and Club Officers and show your support. Show your gratitude to the outgoing Officers and Board for their efforts. Share your stories with other club members about good times on the slopes this year. Plan some fun events for the summer. Join in the celebration! This was a fun time last year!

## 2014 Officer Installation Party

Friday, April 25 2014

Please return this portion no later than April 11

Name (s): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ number of persons attending at \$22 per person

(\$27 after April 11)

Total \$ enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Send check made out to HVSC to:

Susan Hasbrouck Kokosa  
3 Ralph Lane  
Hyde Park NY 12538

Deadline April 11, 2014

Note: If you prefer not to deface your newsletter you may print this page from the [www.HudsonValleySkiClub.org](http://www.HudsonValleySkiClub.org) website.

## 2015 Ski Trips

The Trip Committee is currently working on the trip schedule for 2015. Although it will be a few months before a final decision can be made, we are optimistically negotiating for a trip to Snowbird/Alta, Utah, in late January and a trip to Banff, Canada, in March. If all goes as expected, we should have details completed in time for our usual sign up at the June meeting.

Eastern trips will feature our popular Mount Snow midweek trip in February. Also under consideration is returning our weekend Gore trip to the schedule and possibly another midweek trip to Vermont. The eastern resorts often offer early sign up specials around June so those details should be completed by the end of summer. As in the past, we are planning the eastern trip sign ups for the first meeting in September.



Another idea in the works is for a Trip Committee sponsored late season trip. We would take advantage of the late March, early April specials, the accumulated snow base, the bright days and the small crowds. We do not anticipate a large turn out since many of our members start their golf season but we do have a small cross section of members who love late season skiing and are interested in extending their ski season and saving money. A huge advantage of a late season trip is that we do not have to plan it so far in advance. We can choose our destination based on the ski areas experiencing the best conditions.

## 2014 Ski Trips

Early season fun and hospitality at Bolton Valley, Bluebird days at Snowmass, skiing, tubing and dancing at Mount Snow, a great weekend at Killington and an exciting first trip to Schweitzer.

Thank you to our trip leaders

Tom Pompei, John Macek, Mark Searle, Susan Hasbrook Kakosa, and Bill Egan for all their hard work. Our ski season was a huge success and we thank all our members for their continued support of the ski trips.



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## Spring Banquet

Saturday, April 26, 2014

Wiltwyck Golf Club  
404 Steward Lane, Kingston, NY

6:30 PM Light Hors d'oeuvres /Cash Bar  
7:15 PM Dinner: Salad, Entrée, Dessert, Coffee/Tea  
8:00 PM Dancing, Live Band "Chimps in Tuxedos"  
Please return this form with your payment to Diana:

Name/s \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Steak au poivre \$38 \_\_\_\_\_  
Chicken Marsala \$33 \_\_\_\_\_  
Eggplant Parmesan \$30 \_\_\_\_\_  
Total \$ enclosed \_\_\_\_\_



Send checks made out to **TSSC** to:

**Diana Ziegenfelder**  
PO Box 254  
Glenford, NY 12433

Questions? [Zinnia@hvc.rr.com](mailto:Zinnia@hvc.rr.com)

Deadline: April 19, 2014

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## Friday Race Training

Every Friday evening Club members meet at an area eatery for a couple of hours of friendly conversation.

If you have questions, comments or suggestions, contact **Susan Kokosa** 229-6786 [race\\_training@hudsonvalleyskiclub.org](mailto:race_training@hudsonvalleyskiclub.org)  
race training coordinator.

- March**
- 21 La Puerta Azul  
Route 44 Salt Point
  - 28 Shadows on the Hudson \*\*  
176 Rinaldi Blvd Poughkeepsie
- April**
- 4 Nic L Inn Wine Cellar on the Hudson  
North Water St Poughkeepsie
  - 11 Antonella's  
1830 South Rd Wappingers Falls
  - 18 La Puerta Azul  
Route 44 Salt Point
  - 25 No Race Training  
Installation Dinner at Fresco's

\*\* Please come out and enjoy a \$5 Shadows signature cocktail called "The Lift" made especially for ski club members!!

## Hudson Valley Ski Club

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### April 2014

## Coming Events -- April 2014

### March

19 Meeting at Coppola's on 9 at 7:30  
Program: **Ralph Ferusi** on hiking

22 President's Race at Hunter Mt

### April



2 Meeting at Coppola's on 9 at 7:30  
Annual Election meeting  
Board meeting at 6:30

16 Meeting at Coppola's on 9 at 7:30

20 EASTER

25 HVSC Officer Installation Party  
at Fresco Chop & Ale House

28 TSSC Annual Banquet  
at Wiltwyck Country Club

### May

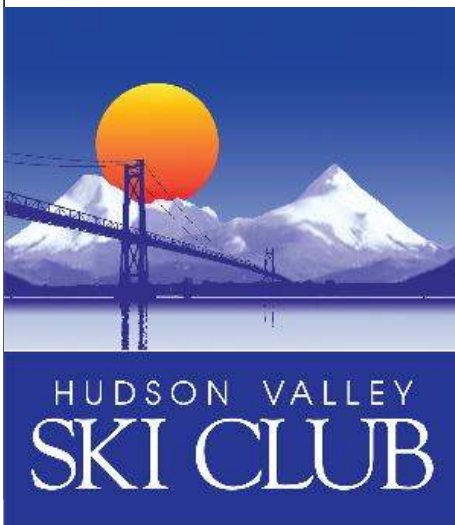
2-4 White Water Rafting  
on the Upper Hudson

7 Meeting at Coppola's on 9 at 8:00  
(First summer meeting)

8 2nd Annual Blood Drive



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Or: [goo.gl/Op3yT](http://goo.gl/Op3yT)



**Next Meetings:**  
**March 5 & 19**  
**at 7:30 PM**  
at Coppola's on 9,  
South Road, Poughkeepsie

