

# HVSC

**Hudson Valley Ski Club**  
Poughkeepsie, New York  
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## New Hampshire Mid Week March 15-19 (Sunday - Thursday) \$450

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Saturday, March 8  
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# Ski Banff Lake Louise Sunshine

**February 28  
— March 7**

**\$1,540**

(single supplement add  
\$340)



Trip Leader: **Bill Egan**  
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### **VALID PASSPORT REQUIRED**

- Round trip air transportation
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- Complimentary daily guided tours at all ski areas
- Daily breakfast buffet

**Comprehensive Travel Insurance is available and must be paid before December 1st. More details are available from the trip leader.**

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with great views. This popular inn is just a 3 minute stroll to downtown; close to shopping and a wide range of restaurants. Rooms feature 2 queen beds or 1 queen with a sitting area, in-room coffee maker, kettle, in-room safe, mini-fridge and satellite TV. The property features two outdoor hot tubs with gas fireplace, complimentary wireless internet, steam room and sauna. Guest enjoy a daily deluxe continental breakfast with hot options selection and freshly baked goods.

Minimum cancellation penalty: \$100 - further details available from trip leader.

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The **Board Meeting** scheduled for **Wednesday March 4** has been moved to Wednesday March 25, at a time and place still to be determined. The reason for this change is that on March 4 the majority of the board members will be away on the Banff trip.

**Frank**

\*You may make one payment of \$450, two payments of \$225 each, or 3 payments of \$150.

Cancellation  
penalty  
\$25



**Club Information****Club Officers**

**President:** Frank Van Zanten  
**Vice-President:** Jeff Elwyn  
**Secretary:** Rich Partridge  
**Treasurer:** Jim Gahn  
**Sergeant at Arms:** Pat Cummins

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**Constitution:**

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**Events:**

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**Instruction:**

Mark Searle

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Tom Pompei

**Marketing and Publicity:**

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**-Media Liaison**

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**Meeting Programs**

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**Membership Services:**

Pete Gray

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

Susan Eschbach

**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

[www.hudsonvalleyskiclub.org](http://www.hudsonvalleyskiclub.org)

Or queries may be sent to [info@hudsonvalleyskiclub.org](mailto:info@hudsonvalleyskiclub.org)

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 website for the most recent updates.

**Welcome to****the following new members:**

Iris Reichman  
 Meryl Reichman

**2014-2015 Membership Directories**

are now available for pickup at the Membership Table at any regular HVSC meeting. I can also mail one to you if you send me a self-addressed stamped-envelope (minimum 9"x12"). Postage for one Membership Directory (Single Membership) is \$1.19 and postage for two Membership Directories (Couple Membership) is \$1.40.

**Pete Gray****Ski/Ride Improvement Days**

The Club offers free lessons from Certified Ski

Instructors to members and their guests as a benefit of membership. The dates

noted below have been identified as ski/ride improvement days for March 2015. These lessons are designed to meet the needs of beginner through upper intermediate skiers/riders. If you wish to take advantage of one of these events, please contact **Mark Searle** (phone: 845-471-6402 or [HVSCSkiTeach@yahoo.com](mailto:HVSCSkiTeach@yahoo.com)) in order that certified Professional Instructors can be arranged to meet your needs.



Discounted Flex Tickets for all dates are available at Potter Brothers ski shops and the programs begin at 9 AM unless otherwise noted.

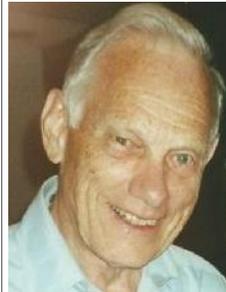
You must purchase your Flex ticket prior to the date of the event; they cannot be obtained at the ski area.

**March 2015 –**

- Sunday, 1st – Windham
- Sunday, 8th - Jiminy



Long-time past member and president (in 1960) of HVSC **Sheridan "Shay" Morey** passed away January 27.



Shay also ran Ski & Sport Shop on Route 9 where he hosted a number of Swap-'n-Sell events for the Ski Club and also founded the Mid Hudson Bicycle Club.

Our condolences to his wife Gail and his family.

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**From the editor...**

**Why an online-only newsletter?**

"The Board has proposed to eliminate the mailing of the Newsletter and distribute it online" [see articles on page 4 of this newsletter]. To be clear the newsletter has been available online on the website almost as long as we've had a website (going on eighteen years now.)



Although the additional advantages of reading the newsletter online are many (color or black-on-white viewing/printing, enlarging of print, automatic linking to web pages, "read-aloud" of newsletter, etc..) I suspect most of you choose to get the hard copy by snail mail (very few have chosen the opt-out option so far). You can even take your newsletter with you on your mobile device. (Note: The availability of some of these features is dependent on the file reading application your computer uses.)

So if the membership approves the new policy by voting for the no-snail-mail amendment, you get all those options in addition to saving the club the cost of printing and postage.

If you want hard copy, you can still always print it (or part of it) yourself. We like to post the "back page" on the refrigerator, so we need print only that one page.

**SkiDUCK...**

Our club has collected a substantial amount of ski apparel and equipment over the past year. Last September Cheryl Corbett, Northeast Area Director, spoke at our meeting and was presented with a "First Installment" of donations. Since September additional donations have been collected that far exceed the First Installment.

We have had and will continue having the "Blue Barrel" at our meetings as an ongoing project for the club for you to add your no longer needed gloves, mitts, jackets, suits, pants, socks, thermal layers, hats, neck warmers, helmets, boots, poles etc. Periodically we will box up the goods and send them on to SkiDUCK.



**SkiDUCK (SKIing and snowboarding for Disabled and Underprivileged Children and older Kids)** is a grassroots non-profit organization, founded in 2009, dedicated to enriching the lives of disabled and underprivileged children by sharing the joys of skiing and snowboarding.

SkiDUCK is committed to partnering with local organizations with similar goals of serving disabled and underprivileged children. And in areas where these needs aren't yet being served, we seek to establish a sustainable model of service with local resources and volunteers. If your community or organization is interested in partnering with SkiDUCK to establish or enhance a program to help children onto the slopes, give us a QUACK!

\* For even more information on Ski DUCK, visit the May or June 2012 HVSC newsletter (on the [www.HudsonValleySkiClub.org](http://www.HudsonValleySkiClub.org) website, and click Newsletters.)

**Jim Gahn**

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## PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HVSC BYLAWS

As part of its review of the club's fiscal health your Board of Directors proposes two amendments to the Hudson Valley Ski Club bylaws necessary to insure continued effective operation. These amendments are stated below.

The board will be available at the member meeting in the later part of February as well as the member meetings in March and the Annual Meeting on April 1, 2015 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**, Constitution Committee Chair (845) 489-6056

### Amendment 1.

#### ARTICLE IV - Dues and other fees

##### Section 1 - Dues

#### Currently stated.

1.2 Dues of the Club shall be \$30.00 per year which includes a subscription to the Club newsletter. Dues for a couple memberships shall be \$40.00 which includes a single subscription to the Club newsletter. Members who elect to receive the Club newsletter via electronic distribution rather than hardcopy by U.S. Mail shall receive a \$5 reduction in their annual membership fee.

#### Proposed –

Increase dues to provide necessary resources to effectively operate the club.

1.2 Dues of the Club shall be \$40.00 per year. Dues for couple memberships shall be \$60.00.

#### Amendment 2.

#### ARTICLE XI - Permanent Committees

##### Section 2 - The duties of the Committees

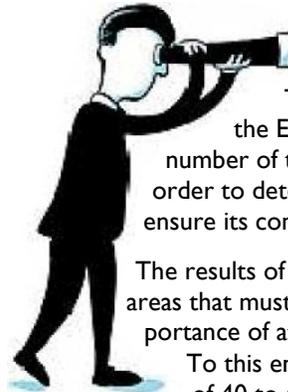
#### Currently stated.

2.2 Newsletter - It shall be the duty of this committee to publish and mail a Club Newsletter once each month. It shall be the duty of the committee to keep the membership well informed on current and future activities of the Club.

#### Proposed

Eliminate the requirement to mail a hardcopy via USPS to each member.

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## Looking Forward

The Board of Directors along with the Executive Committee have met a number of times over the past several months in order to determine what our club needs to do to ensure its continuing success.

The results of these meetings point to two major areas that must be addressed. The first is the importance of attracting new and younger members. To this end we will be targeting the age group of 40 to 60 year olds. Our research indicates that is where we should concentrate. The second is the financial health of the club. These were more difficult decisions.

In order to ensure our financial health the Board has proposed two important changes. Starting with the new membership year, we need to increase our membership dues and decrease our club expenses. In order to keep the dues increase at a minimum the Board has proposed to eliminate the mailing of the Newsletter and distribute it online. This change will save the club about \$1,500 a year giving us more flexibility.

Both of these changes will need to be voted on at the Annual Meeting on April 1, 2015. Please understand that these were not easy decisions for the Board to make, but our charge is to ensure the Hudson Valley Ski Club moves forward.

**Craig Goldstein**, Board Member



Where *every* day  
is a *bluebird* day.

## SKI CLUB WEEK:

FROM FEBRUARY 9 - 12, 2015

**\$379 PP DOUBLE OCCUPANCY:** Includes 3 nights accommodation at the Grand Summit Resort Hotel, 3 breakfasts, 4 day lift ticket, ski club week activities, and all taxes.

### ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT THE WEEK

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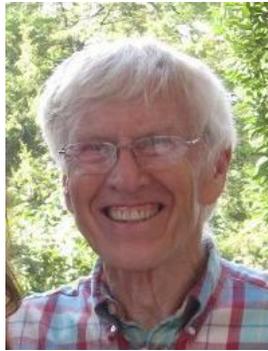



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**President's Message**

**What a winter we're having!**

Everybody can agree with this, but, depending on whether or not you've been on the snow, you'll do so either with a big smile or with a big frown.



Halfway through a very snowy season we (HVSC) can count three successfully completed ski trips (Gore, Snowbird and Mount Snow) and look forward to two more trips (Banff and New Hampshire). Thanks go to our hardworking trip committee and to all trip leaders who make these trips possible, affordable and well organized. Bill and Nancy Egan and their trip committee have already started developing plans for the 2015-2016 trip season.

The ability to offer a good number of trips each winter season, ranging in price, length and destinations is a major factor in making a ski club attractive to continuing and new members. This ability does not exist in a vacuum, but requires an organization of interested and involved members.

As the nominating committee is identifying candidates for next year's board and as committee appointments are being considered I would welcome hearing from any club member who wishes to volunteer her/his time and service or make suggestions for continuing the improvement of our Hudson Valley Ski Club.

Frank Van Zanten



The  
**NJSSC 2015 President's Race**

will be held on Saturday, 3/21/15 at Hunter Mountain. To qualify for team awards we need at least three women and four men racing. As in the past, the club will pay the race fee for all participants. This race is open to everyone of all ages and abilities.



If you have a Hunter lift ticket there is NO cost. If you need a lift ticket, the cost will be \$42.00. I will need to register all racers by 3/13/15.



If interested contact **Tom Pompei** at (845) 462-3944 or e-mail [tvo606@optonline.net](mailto:tvo606@optonline.net).

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## Lift Ticket Lotto

The club holds Lift Ticket Lotto contests at each club meeting during the ski season as a means of generating some revenue for the club. Several local ski areas have given the club lift tickets in exchange for ads in the newsletter. We will be giving away lift tickets to different ski areas at each meeting from October through March. All you need to do to get in on the hot action of this cool deal is to be sure to buy Lift Ticket Lotto tickets at the next meeting – don't get left out in the cold. When you win and later use a lift ticket from Lift Ticket Lotto, please take a moment to thank the ski area for their support of the HVSC. Ticket prices for the Lotto will be: 1 for \$1, 6 for \$5, and 15 for \$10. The last "LTL" drawing of the season will be at the March 4 meeting with tickets from Butternut, Mount Snow, and Windham.



Remember, you've got to be in it to win it. *Mark Searle*

Note: See the list to the right of recent winners, should you wish to swap or buy tickets. *Editor*

## Lift Ticket Lottery Winners

Hudson Valley Ski Club receives lift tickets from various ski areas in exchange for ads in our Newsletter. These lift tickets are raffled off at club meetings. Recent winners of Lift Ticket Lottery are listed below. If you are interested in skiing the area listed, contact the winners to find out when/if they plan to use their lift ticket. Note: Member contact information is available in the *Online Membership Directory*.

### Butternut

- Carole Daniels
- Ellen Kelly (twice)
- Bob Macedo
- Pat Marsh
- Woody Woodbridge

### Catamount

- Nancy Egan
- Herb Eschbach
- Keith Faucher
- Jim Gahn
- Ellen Kelly
- Rich Partridge

### Jiminy Peak

- Pat Cummins
- Jim Gahn
- Ellen Kelly (twice)

### Mount Snow

- Margaret Moebius
- Rich Partridge
- Janet Pinnavaia
- Woody Woodbridge

### Plattekill

- Pat Cummins
- Craig Goldstein
- John Macek
- Margaret Moebius
- Frank Van Zanten

### Windham

- Bill Dunstan
- Craig Goldstein
- Melanie Michon
- Frank Van Zanten

## WHAT ARE YOUR PRIORITIES FOR SKI TRIPS?

At the January 7 club meeting, Craig Goldstein led a discussion looking to understand what the meeting attendees considered the top features of a ski trip. As expected the responses covered a wide range, and showed different opinions.

This informal discussion generally agreed with the views collected on the feedback surveys collected from trip participants. Nonetheless, it was a lively discussion with Craig successfully getting nearly all meeting attendees to share their views.

Among the comments:

- a variety of terrain, including some that is challenging or unique
- a big mountain, or several mountains
- scenic views
- pleasant accommodations, not dorms
- prefer hotels over condos, so have common meeting place
- hot tubs
- some place new, not the same area all the time
- powder snow, not Eastern hardpack
- interesting town with character
- diversity of skiing
- lively town with a variety of restaurants
- prefer condo, can prepare meals
- like ski-in/ski-out accommodations
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*Rich Partridge*

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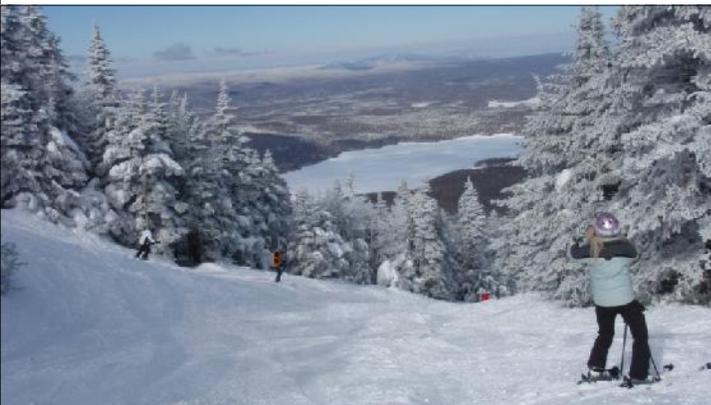
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HVSC on the Mt Snow Ski Trip in February. Photos by Mark Childs.



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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.

- February**
- 20 Cosimo's  
Delafield St Poughkeepsie
  - 27 West Main Kitchen & Bar  
2710 W Main St Wappingers Falls
- March**
- 6 Crew  
2290 South Rd (Rt 9) Poughkeepsie
  - 13 Bonefish Grill  
2185 South Rd Poughkeepsie
  - 20 Shadows on the Hudson  
176 Rinaldi Blvd Poughkeepsie
  - 27 Amici's  
35 Main St Poughkeepsie

## Coming Events -- March 2015

- February**
- 18 Meeting at Coppola's on 9 at 7:30
- 28-3/7** Banff-Lake Louise Ski Trip
- March**
- 4 Meeting at Coppola's on 9 at 7:30  
Board meeting at 6:30 postponed to 3/25
  - 15-19 New Hampshire Mid-Week Ski Trip
  - 18 Meeting at Coppola's on 9 at 7:30
  - 21 NJSSC 2015 President's Race at Hunter Mt
  - 25 Board meeting at 6:30



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