Garden State Ski Club

Zoom Membership Meeting

Tuesday, Jan. 19, 2021

Meeting Called to Order: 7:32

PRESIDENT: Dennis Young

Welcome to all. Zoom meetings are working well. We record them and Kevin provides notes. They're on the website. You can access them. All you need is your email address. You can reset password if necessary. We had a Board meeting at 6pm. Discussed details around Social events, Directories and we'll discuss that later once we determine how you want it done. Kate Sparrow has offered to take over Meetup.

Directories cost about \$900 to print. This year we would require members to send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Mike Rinaldi. I'd like to know what the membership feels about printing or not printing them. You can access this information online. (Survey took place and decision was made to print the directories.) Mike will mail directories to all who send him a SASE.

SKI VP: Ron Levine

Ski season going in earnest. Big dump in Vermont, 21 inches.

Two trips remain scheduled to Sunday River. Feb. 7 trip has availability. March 7 trip is currently full. Contact Ed Dalton the group leader if you are interested. These are inexpensive trips that include lift tickets.

Some have been going to Big Snow, the indoor facility in Secaucus. Some will be going on Tuesday, Jan. 26. Reach out to Dennis if interested. You get two hours of skiing. We'll try to get everyone there at the same time. Looking at a 2 o'clock start. You'll need to make your own reservations.

Steve Corris advised that the upper lodge at Belleayre that was damaged by the avalanche is now partially open.

Kevin Kennedy: Just fabulous skiing at Killington. Couldn't be better. Some calling it epic. Only a dusting at the lodge. But it accumulated all the way up the access road. Skiing is incredible. They're in a great weather pattern where they're getting a lot of snow. Everyday it's the best. Just remarkable. On Monday, we skied Sugarbush. Same thing there. Easier at Killington. No parking reservation needed now at Killington for weekdays, just weekends and holidays. Spectacular ride up to Sugarbush -- like a winter wonderland. Had about 20 inches. Every trail is really good. Very few lines but Killington Gondola from the base has been a little long. Even on the holiday weekend, most lines are less than five minutes.

Ron: Hoping to have an ice skating event on the lake by my house in Highland (Vernon Township) New Jersey, 10 o'clock Monday. We'll be outside with COVID restrictions. The ice is at least six inches thick. We want to start early before the ice gets a little sluggish. We'll have hot chocolate outside.

Ann Benagh: Have a few tickets left. Might be about two or three who haven't gotten back about their upgrade. Tickets must be activated online. You need an I.D. from the ski council. Not sure if you can use last year's or not. Dennis will put link on lift line. Only two or three this year. If you don't use tickets from the council this year, they can be upgraded again next year. Micki has three Pico tickets. Last year they were \$47. Upgrade is only a dollar. Killington is \$79 plus \$3 upgrade.

LODGE VP: Micki Goldberger-LeVine:

Those at the lodge are enjoying it. We still have three rooms. Anyone interested just get in touch and we'll rent the room for the rest of the season.

Lodge Committee will be meeting end of month to plan events for next year when the vaccinations are available and we can return to normal.

SOCIAL VP: Lou Mortaro

Had a very successful wine tasting. Those who participated agreed we should do another one. Will target for late February, early March time period. It's a virtual event. We'll promote the week before during our regular meeting. Cheeses were good, wines were good and they weren't very expensive.

Flyers are now out for the Black Bear trip in June. Sky Top date has been changed to Aug. 20-22nd. Held same price from last year. We helped by changing the date and they reciprocated by donating the cheese. We'll use the money for the cheese for prize money. I expect a high turnout for the event, so please send a \$100 deposit as soon as you can.

Trying to work with Micki's group and hopefully do some sort of a leaf peeping event up at the lodge.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY: Kevin Kennedy

Mike Rinaldi: Some, not enough, are mailing the self addressed, stamped envelope to receive membership cards. Anyone living near me in Morris County, can contact me and perhaps we can meet. We're up to 258 in membership. Cards are needed for skier appreciation days.

Vote on minutes from Jan. 5, Zoom membership meeting took place. Minutes approved.

TREASURER REPORT: Gary Ehrich

We now have \$77,969

JUNIOR DELEGATE REPORT: Michele Bondurant (given by Dennis Young)

Face masks: We have new ones with an adjustable piece. It's a little larger and can be tightened up. Gary will put information on the PayPal site. I recommend you take the larger mask.

SENIOR DELAGATE REPORT: Steve Corris

Nothing to report

SUNSHINE AND RAINY DAYS: Maria Rivara

Dave Bakhoven passed on Oct. 13. Cards can be sent to his Caretaker: Dorothy Black, 1051 Newport North Deerfield Beach Florida, 33442, or his siter, Christine Torrance, 1846 North Kenwood Street, Burbank, CA 91505

MEMBER COMMENTS:

Lauren Giani-Hrablook advised she has reached out to our Parliamentarian Fred Hotz and is hoping to move forward on changes she is recommending within the next couple of weeks.

Meeting adjourned: 8:21

Notes prepared by Executive Secretary Kevin Kennedy