

GARDEN STATE SKI CLUB, INC.
REGULAR MEMEBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES
11/28/17

1. The meeting was called to order at 8:15 PM.
2. Membership Contribution – (50/50) Dennis announced that we are offering 50/50 tonight.
3. SKI VP REPORT – Dennis Young for Steve Corris
 - Larry Dean is going to be giving a talk on Tuesday, December 5th on skiing techniques. Larry said he will speak for 30 minutes and if you come and listen to him for 30 minutes, he will advance you at least one level.
 - There is a Warren Miller movie at the Westwood Cinema on Thursday 12/7/17.
 - Tune Up Day at Windham – We have a tune-up day Saturday, December 16th. Please sign up. If we have at least 7 people who can ski at intermediate or above Larry Dean will be our instructor. Larry said if we don't get all 7 people, he will still take us and he'll get a few more people.
 - Telluride trip - is sold out, 1/20-1/27. Donna will take a wait list.
 - There are three NJSSC's trips - Jay Peak 1/28-2/2; Sunday River 3/18-3/23 and Dennis' Snowmass trip is closed. See Dennis Young about Jay Peak and Sunday River.
 - Lake Placid Cross Country - Nancy Canning is going to be running a cross-country training weekend in Lake Placid weekend of February 2nd to February 4th. There are 15 people signed up, the maximum is 24. The cut-off date is December 10th.
 - Lift Tickets – Upgrades are available for pick up. Anne Benagh stated this is the last night you can get a Pocono Card. They are \$70.00; they are good any day in the ski season, except Martin Luther King weekend and Presidents weekend. Blue Mountain, Camelback, Jack Frost/Big Boulder, Shawnee and Big Bear. For lift tickets Anne has the order form and would like two weeks notice. Anne also has reduced rate tickets for Belleayre, Bromley, Gore, Jay Peak, Killington, Mt. Snow, Okimo, Pico, Stowe, Stratton, Sugarbush, Whiteface and Windham. Stowe has peak and off peak dates. Anne got some upgrades back, but they are not total upgrades.
 - Bus Trip Schedule – Elk Mountain on 1/6/18, Dennis will start taking sign-ups next week for this trip, \$83.00 for members and \$92.00 for guests. Belleayre on 1/27/18, Jiminy Peak did not work out so we will go to Blue Mountain on 2/10/18. There will also be a possible 4th trip in March.
4. LODGE VP REPORT – Ray Owens
 - Reservations – regular season rates are in effect. Laurie is here tonight and if you want to make reservations please see her or contact Laurie at 201-914-5063 or email at gsschouserreservations@gmail.com. Email is the preferred method of contacting Laurie.
 - Ray stated that if there are any lodge matters that you would like to bring up to him, please see him after the meeting.
5. SOCIAL VP REPORT – Betty Jean Downing
 - The Mix before 6 - The next one is Thursday, December 14th at the Bonefish Grill in Paramus. It is on From Road behind the Macy's in Paramus, right near the Radisson Hotel.
 - Pie Night - Betty Jean thanked everyone for bringing in Pies for tonight's Pie Night event.
 - Ice Skating - Ron LeVine is organizing an Ice Skating event at Wollman Rink at 62nd Street and Central Park, New York, on Wednesday, December 20th. It is \$11.00 admission if you are over a certain age. They have lockers there, it is \$4.00 to rent a lock or if you have one you can bring

your own lock. Skating for an hour or two, then afterwards, we'll walk down 5th Avenue to see the tree at Rockefeller Center and then go out for a snack and drink(s). He mentioned everyone can carpool from his office in Hackensack at 5:00 PM. Dinner first in NJ. See Ron for details.

- Liberty Science Center event – They are opening up a Planetarium on December 8th. On the 21st they will have “Adults after Dark.” The 12/21/17 After Dark will be “Sweets and Ugly Sweaters”. You have to be 21; they have \$5.00 bites and sweets from local vendors. They have cocktails, food, music, laser shows and exhibits. It's about \$20.00. Betty Jean will have more information on this next week.
- Snow Ball – Dennis or Gary can take money tonight. Tomorrow is the cut-off, Nov. 29th. It will be at the Ramsey Country Club on Friday, December 1st from 7 – 11:00 PM. There will be 4 hours of music with Scott the DJ from 7-11 PM. It will be \$68.00 per person. There will be appetizers and buffet. You can pay by PayPal.
- The GSSC Diamond Jubilee – This is the 60th Anniversary for the Ski Club. It will be \$120.00 per person. On PayPal it will be \$125.00 per person. It is going to be limited to 150 people. Invitations will be going out after the beginning of the year; we are reaching out for older members now. You must pay in full. It is at the Venetian in Garfield. The price includes cocktail hour, sit down dinner, open bar all night. If you would like to donate toward the book, your space will be in there like it was in the 50th Gala. We are getting in touch with old members throughout the country and they will receive their invitations two weeks before the general membership.
- Hiking continues with Ron Vitale and Lin Goetz. They are having a Holiday Party, contact them for date and time and for their upcoming hiking schedule.

6. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT – Dennis Young for Tina Romano

- Sign in/Quorum check – 35 people were in attendance – this is not a quorum.
- Ed Ellis - The membership cards are in, please see him. Dues are now overdue if you have not paid yet. You may pay by cash or checks. If you pay before the first Tuesday of December there is a \$5.00 late fee which makes your dues \$50.00. After the first Tuesday in December you will no longer be considered a member and have to be reinstated. There is a \$10.00 reinstatement fee. Technically the By-Laws state you also have to go before the Board, but we have not enforced that rule for the past 10 years. If you do not pay by next week you will not be in the Membership Directory. The Directories will be out the end of January to the beginning of February. New members that come in now are \$60.00.
- On the web-site under Membership Only are the previous minutes from the meetings. Meeting from this year and last year. Make sure you look at them because when we have a quorum we try to approve the minutes from the previous meeting.

7. TREASURER REPORT (issues/new items) – Gary Ehrich

- Finances: Our gross is \$73,754.00 in the bank and on PayPal; we have about \$4663.00 for events in deposits making our net approximately \$69091.00. Gary can collect payments at meetings if you have a Credit Card. If you have a PayPal account you can just transfer money from that, but please remember to send Gary or Dennis an email so we know why you are making a payment. The Snowball PayPal will be taken down tomorrow morning. The taxes are done.

8. JUNIOR DELEGATE REPORT (issues/new items) – Bev Adler not here – no report.

9. SUNSHINE & RAINY DAYS – Maria Rivara – one of the members who did not want to be identified said his mother had a gall stone operation.
10. SENIOR DELEGATE – Ron LeVine – no report.
11. PRESIDENTS REPORT – Dennis Young –
 - We are going to have a Board Meeting tonight November 28th, if anyone has anything they would like to bring up to the Board please see Dennis or anyone else on the Board and we will put it on the agenda.
 - Dennis is looking for volunteers to work on a membership retention committee to try to retain members. We have documentation from Ray Owens that could be used to help this along.
12. Unfinished Business – No unfinished business – no quorum.
13. New Business – No new business – no quorum.
14. Minutes – We cannot vote on the previous meetings minutes – no quorum.
15. Announcements – no announcements.
16. Member contribution -
 - 50/50 - \$30.00 went to Bob Barber.
17. The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m.