

### Volume 14 Issue 1

**Bucks Mount Ski & Snowboard Club** 



Wayne C. MacMath

President

Our  $42^{nd}$  year as the Bucks Mount Ski Club is upon us. It's only thirty-eight more years to the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration! John and Pat Lewin, please start thinking how you want to decorate the hall.

Anyway, even after 40 plus days of  $90^{\circ}$  plus weather, we are thinking about snow. We are excited about this upcoming ski season and our luck is about to change. The weekends we have booked and the day we have selected for the Elk trip are all going to be blessed with snow.

On August 12<sup>th</sup> we had our planning meeting. Many topics were discussed but, of course, food led the way. Skiing has slowed down a little but our jaws are in full throttle. Thanks to those who were able to make it at short notice. After deciding on meeting dates, weekend and day ski dates and who would be in charge of food at each meeting, guess what we did? ...Eat...Blue cheese burgers, salads and drinks were served by the DML (Death March Leader).

The Christmas week trip, leaving the day after, is going to Telluride, Colorado. We have been trying to get back to this "sweet" destination and this year managed to get the price and itinerary we wanted. Maureen would like to thank those who are going for a quick response. With high volume for holiday travel, depositing on airfare early is critical. I know twenty-five ski club members are now working furiously to get their legs in shape for the skiing ahead of them!

On Martin Luther King weekend, by popular request, we are returning to Woodward's Resort in New Hampshire. This time we will be skiing Bretton Woods Saturday <u>and</u> Sunday and Loon Mountain on Monday. We had a full bus last year, so get your deposit in early so you're not disappointed. See trip section for details.

Our lone day trip Friday, February 4<sup>th</sup> is back because Rita says it's back. Rita is already working hard getting the Danish and OJ. This trip will knock your socks off! Elk Mountain



is already making snow, so get your reservations in early, we are only taking six buses this year.

Two weeks later we will be returning to Sunday River and Wildcat for our 21<sup>st</sup> year at the Town & Country Motor Inn. This trip is popular because there is such vast and varied terrain to ski. Also, crowds are avoided for the holiday weekend because they are blackout dates for most pass holders. A full bus would be fantastic. 'Hope you can join us. Three-day trips are the best value.

Finally our last weekend trip this season will be to Rutland, Vermont. We plan to ski Killington on Saturday and Pico Peak on Sunday. If you can only get away for two days, this is the trip for you. We will stay at the Red Roof Inn and have dinner at the South Street Station.

Thanks to Barb Zurlo, twenty-four of us returned to the Chinese Cultural Center. We ate and drank our way through a tencourse meal prepared by Chinese chefs. Another great eating extravaganza, thanks, Barb.

Our annual banquet was held at Café Antonio in Morrisville, which has become a favorite. All twenty-eight delighted in bringing our own wine. Food, selection and service were excellent and each of us enjoyed selecting directly from the menu exactly what was going to suit our palate.

This summer our Beach Party could possibly have been our best ever! Thanks to our

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September 2010

# 2010/2011 Club Meetings

**September 22nd** Pizza & Beer Night

October 6th Wine & Cheese Night

October 20th Chili Cook-Off Night

> November 3rd Dessert Night

November 17th Hoagie Night

**December 1st** Hot Dogs & Sauerkraut Night

> **December 15th** Holiday Cookie Night (Pre Telluride 7pm)

January 5th Pizza & Beer Night (pre Tignes 7pm)

January 19th Stromboli Night

**February 2nd** Italian Night

February 16th Seafood Night

March 2nd Hors d'Oeuvres Night

March 16th St. Patty's Pretzels & Beer Night

Meetings are held at 8:00 pm On Wednesdays at the Jesse Soby American Legion Post Richardson & Bellevue Avenues Langhorne, PA 19047

**Non-Members Welcome!** 

# 2011 Ski Trips

All day/weekend ski trips depart from 5 Municipal Way, Langhorne, PA 19047. This is the Middletown Township Police Building, which is two lights north of Maple Avenue (Rt. 213), off of North Flowers Mill Road. (directions and map on the web site). Prices include lift tickets, transportation on a lavatory-equipped bus, videos and refreshments on the bus, driver's tip, lodging, meals, and a box dinner on the return trip home. Friday departure times for weekend trips vary: Bretton Woods/Loon Mountain 4:00 pm, Sunday River/Wildcat 4:00 pm and Killington/Pico 4:30 pm. Most accommodations can be priced for double, triple or quad occupancy. Indicate your choice on the waiver form.

Children 18 years or younger may qualify for rate reductions when staying with their parents. Agreements with lodges vary, so check with Maureen to see what is most beneficial to your family.

PLEASE NOTE that you must be a member to go on ski trips and you must fill out a color-coded waiver form with your initial deposit. If you make the required 50% deposit 60 days in advance of the trip, you receive a \$10 discount off of the total cost of each weekend trip and are entered in the raffle for a \$100 discount. Balance is due a minimum of 2 weeks prior to departure.

# Rates listed are per person, tax and gratuities included.

## **BRETTON WOODS/LOON MOUNTAIN, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

#### \$490 Triple \$458 Ouad \$535 Double

Ski 3 days. Last years hit Woodward's Resort will be our host for the Martin Luther King Weekend. This family owned resort is known for customer service and excellent food. We will enjoy three breakfasts and two dinners in the full service restaurant. We will be skiing two different areas: Bretton Woods for the first two days and Loon Mountain on the last day. After skiing we can enjoy the indoor pool and Jacuzzi or relax in the lounge overlooking the lighted ice skating pond. A \$250 deposit per person holds your reservation.

### **ELK MOUNTAIN, PENNSYLVANIA**

### **\$93** Per Person

Ski 1 day. Friday. The comaraderie of friends makes this trip special. We enjoy uncrowded weekday slopes and have fun in whatever weather nature provides for the day. Our favorite in PA, Elk boasts 27 trails and 6 lifts. Meet the bus at 5:30 a.m. Park your car. Have juice, have a Danish; then let the bus driver do the work. You can go back to sleep until we arrive. Sign up by Jan. 5 and be in the drawing for a free trip.

### SUNDAY RIVER, MAINE and WILDCAT, NEW HAMPSHIRE

#### \$513 Triple \$503 Quad **\$523 Double**

Ski 3 days. The perfect place for the busy President's Weekend. Spend two days exploring the 127 trails and glades on 8 interconnected mountains. With 40% more snowmaking than anyone else in New England and #1 rated lifts in the East, we are returning with confidence for the 21st year. Spend the last day enjoying stunning views of Mt. Washington from scenic Wildcat Mt. The Town and Country Inn hosts us with spacious rooms, indoor pool, hot tub, bar and entertainment. Three large buffet breakfasts and two sit down meals from choice of three dinner entrees each night. A \$250 per person deposit will hold your reservation.

# **KILLINGTON/PICO MOUNTAIN, VERMONT**

#### \$402 Double \$388 Triple \$378 Ouad

Ski two days. We will ski Killington on Saturday and Pico Mountain on Sunday on the same lift ticket. Killington offers the most extensive terrain in the East, take a map to go explore. At Pico Mountain you can walk right off the bus to the lift and have a relaxing day at the smaller area that you will learn your way around and *run into* other Bucks Mount members. The Red Roof Inn in Rutland will supply our lodging and breakfast. We will enjoy dinner at the South Station Restaurant at Trolley Square, a short distance from our motel. A \$200 per person deposit will hold your reservation.

**January 14 - 17** 

**February 18 - 21** 

**March 11 - 13** 

**February 4** 

# Lift Lines

### **TELLURIDE, COLORADO**

#### **December 26 - January 1**

### \$1,385 Per Person \$380 five day lift ticket

Telluride is tucked into a box canyon, surrounded on all three sides by 14,000foot peaks. The historic mining town of Telluride is just eight blocks wide and twelve blocks long. There are virtually no lift lines and even beginners and intermediates can enjoy the view and ski terrain from the highest peaks.

Lodging is in the *Bachman Village Townhouses*, on the west end of town. You are 200 yards from the ski slope (Lift 7/Coonskin Lift), four blocks from the heart of downtown Telluride and steps from the local grocery store. You are located on the free shuttle route. Amenities: gas fireplace, DVD players, High Speed Internet and washer/dryer. Insurance \$96. Pre-trip meeting December 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.

### TIGNES, FRANCE

#### **January 14 - 23**

### \$2,272 Double \$2,157 Triple \$222 six day lift ticket

Our 10th year returning to L'Espace Killy – the combined resorts of Tignes and Val d'Isère, with over 100 lifts and 25,000 acres spreading across 6 valleys. Six days to ski on endless choices of trails for skiers of all abilities: from the high alpine glaciers to the village below the Tignes dam. We will be staying seven nights in the ski-in, ski-out three-star plus *Village Montana Hotel*. A huge breakfast buffet will be served daily and in the evening gourmet French dinners. Relax in the heated outdoor pool, jacuzzi and saunas. Last night in Lyon. \$800 deposit due now to hold your reservation. Insurance: \$130. Pre trip meeting January 6th at 7:00 pm.

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super hosts and organizers, Cathy & Bill Rees and Clare & Jack Longworth, everything proceeded like clockwork. The weather was phenomenal: clear skies, warm air and cool water. Forty to fifty ski club members toted chairs, blankets, books and food to the everenlarging Wildwood Crest beach. The house Bill's grandfather built, originally beachfront property, now is two miles from the ocean! (' just joking). Everyone had a fantastic time, even Evi, swimming and body surfing in the

#### Atlantic.

Around six o'clock everyone went to Rees' for the barbecue. We started with steamed clams and shrimp. The cooking got serious when Bill's nephew, Greg, took over roasting the clams and grilling the beef tenderloin steaks to perfection. Surprise, he instructs at the Philadelphia Restaurant School. Thanks, Greg! The main course was supplemented with hot dogs, baked pasta, ratatouli and an assortment of salads. Of course we ended

### Officers for the 2010-2011 Season

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	-Jerry Cape	
	Ken Foster (EPSC)	

# \$100 Trip Giveaway

Win \$100 off the cost of one of your weekend trips!!! Again this year we will have a drawing before each weekend bus trip. The winner will receive a one hundred dollar discount on the cost of his/her trip. To be eligible for the drawing you must have a paid deposit on the trip 60 days before departure.

#### **DRAWINGS:**

NEW HAMPSHIRE – Nov. 17<sup>h</sup> meeting SUNDAY RIVER – Jan. 5<sup>th</sup> meeting KILLINGTON – Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting

Come to the sign-up table at the meetings. Be sure to find the specific **color-coded** waiver form for each individual trip – not to be confused with the white membership & general release form. If distance or schedules keep you from attending meetings you may sign up by mail. Be sure to call Maureen first to assure a spot.

#### FREE TRIP TO ELK

Win a free trip to Elk Mountain!!! Sign up by the Jan.  $5^{\text{th}}$  meeting and qualify for the drawing, which will happen at the Jan.  $19^{\text{th}}$  meeting.

with a large dessert table. All in all a wonderful day! Thanks to Bill, Cathy, and Clare for all the expert assistance and your generosity in making the Beach Party a memorable event.

Would anyone like to plan an event: hike, bike, restaurant night or some new idea? If so call Maureen. We are also seeking a volunteer to host our annual Christmas/Holiday Party.

We offer sincere thanks to all those officers and committee heads who make our ski club successful and to all those who contribute good things to eat at our meetings. 'Looking forward to being with all of you in September. Bring some new friends.

THINK SNOW! *Wayne* 



# 2010 Events

November 5 Eastern Pennsylvania Ski Council Winterfest Clarion Hotel Park, King of Prussia

November 6 Ski Club Appreciation Night at Langhorne Ski Shop

> December 11 or 18 Holiday Party

www.bucksmountskiclub.org/ Calendar2011.pdf

# FRANK AND ERNEST

# Membership

Please remit your dues now by mailing them to Vern's house or delivering them in person to the meeting. Our dues help defray mailing costs, and much of the eating we do at meetings. They support the running of the club. Sending them ASAP makes it much easier for our officers. See the form in this newsletter (address at the bottom). Vern Shaw, 705 Autumn Drive, Langhorne, PA 19047.

> \$25.00 single \$40.00 family

# Ski Club Appreciation Night at Langhorne Ski Shop

Enjoy wine, cheese, hot food and socializing. Party will be from 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm on Saturday November  $6^{th}$  after Dave and Kathy close the store. Club members will get 20% off new and 10% off a l r e a d y d i s c o u n t e d merchandise. Ski tune-ups are discounted at \$24.95.



# Lift Lines



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**Tignes** (Teen-yuh) is well situated (6,930 feet) in an austere white desert with mountains rising fairly steeply on all sides. Access to the town is via a  $3\frac{1}{2}$  hour bus ride, south from Lyon. The ascent to the town is breathtaking, a long tortuous road tacked to the valley wall. Accommodations (7 nights) are at the **Hôtel Village Montana** (\*\*\*). Conceived as an authentic mountain village, the hotel is actually a series of chalets, harmoniously linked to one another and built of local stone and rustic wood presenting an exceptional feeling of warmth and nobility. The sumptuous country-style room includes a master bedroom, sleeping alcove with savoyard-style enclosed bed, balcony, bathroom with hair dryer and towel warmer, separate WC, cable television, and direct dial telephone. After a day of skiing, soak up the warmth and relaxation of Club Relax, where you'll enjoy saunas, a steam room, Jacuzzi, high pressure showers, a swimming pool with counter-currents, massage, physiotherapy, and fitness room.

Highest Lift Elevation	
Vertical Drop	
Slope Difficulty	15% green, 47% blue, 29% red, 9% black
Lifts	97 (2 railway, 4 trams, 4 gondolas, 52 chairs, 35 surface)

The serious skier's mecca, the powder hound's delight, way above average for the intermediate, and more than just great for the beginner - these are **Tignes** (site of the 1992 Olympic mogul and freestyle competitions) and **Val d'Isère** (site of the 1992 Olympic downhill, giant slalom, and super G). The combined called **L'Espace Killy**, was named for the famous French skier, Jean-Claude Killy. The area is well networked, and lift lines are almost non-existent. The easier runs tend to be well groomed; most slopes are above tree line, often as wide as football fields and sometimes no steeper. It's simple enough to get a little practice in the powder or crud by slipping off into the large ungroomed mass of snow besides the runs. More adventurous intermediates can experience the thrill of off- piste (out of bounds) skiing without a guide on some of the more obvious accessible terrain. It's the accessible off-piste that draws raves from the experts around the globe. It is such a vast skiing space that many skiers never do find and experience all that's available to them. Spreading over 25,000 acres and 6 valleys, speeding from one end of the domain to the other takes about 3 hours, and that's using the shortest route!

Price includes:

- Round trip airfare on Lufthansa from Philadelphia via Frankfurt, Germany to Geneva, Switzerland, return from Lyon, France.
- Bus transfers between Geneva airport -Tignes hotel Lyon hotel and Lyon airport.
- 7 Nights (1/15-21) lodging in Tignes at Hôtel Village Montana, including 6 buffet breakfasts, 6 dinners, hotel tax & gratuity.
- 1 Night (1/22) lodging in Lyon at Hotel Boscolo Grand, including breakfast

Payment Schedule (make checks payable to: **BUCKS MOUNT SKI & SNOWBOARD CLUB**): \$800 due with reservation \$800 due 10/05/10 Final payment due 11/24/10

Cancellation Fees: See trip contract.

Trip Insurance (see contract) cost: \$130 payable to BMSSC. Note: for Pre-Existing condition coverage, insurance must be taken within 14 days of initial deposit.

\* The above prices are based on 16 paying participants and will be adjusted accordingly for less. Land package is based on exchange rate of 1 USD = .806 EMU. A currency adjustment will be made prior to final payment due date based on currency fluctuation. Airline Departure Security Tax (\$477) is approximated and included in price, however it is subject to change until time of ticketing. Six day lift ticket (without carre neige ski insurance) is \$222.

For more information contact: Karl Flesch (215) 493-0676 or Maureen MacMath (215) 624-7751 or the Club's web site at www.bucksmountskiclub.org



## BUCKS MOUNT SKI & SNOWBOARD CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION TRIP WAIVER AND RELEASE FORM (Must be filled out and signed by all members)



Name:	Phone (home):	
Address:	City:	State: Zip:
Referred by:	E-mail:	
		<ul> <li>I opt to receive the newsletter via e-mail only.</li> <li>I opt to receive the newsletter by regular postal mail.</li> </ul>

Intending to be legally bound hereby and as a condition of membership in the **BUCKS MOUNT SKI & SNOWBOARD CLUB** (hereinafter referred to as **CLUB**) do hereby release and full discharge said **CLUB** and all its members, representatives and officers from all liability, claims, or obligations due to or as a result of, any personal injury or bodily harm sustained or suffered by me or my family as a result of any social, athletic, or sporting activity sponsored or conducted in part or whole by said **CLUB** including transportation to and from said activity. Further, all activities are at my own risk. I further release said **CLUB**, its members, instructors and representatives from all claims or liability for any property or valuables lost, mislaid, or stolen.

I sign this fully realizing that my participation or engagement in the activities of said **CLUB** may subject me to personal injury or bodily harm.

#### WAIVER AND RELEASE

I DO UNDERSTAND THE TERMS OF THE TRIP AND THE CLUB'S REFUND POLICY, AND I HEREBY RELEASE THE **BUCKS MOUNT SKI & SNOWBOARD CLUB** AND ITS MEMBERS, REPRESENTATIVES AND OFFICERS FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY OR CLAIMS DUE TO OR AS A RESULT OF ANY PERSONAL INJURY OR BODILY HARM SUSTAINED OR SUFFERED WHILE ON A CLUB SPONSORED TRIP. I DO UNDERSTAND THAT SKIING/SNOW BOARDING IS A STRENUOUS PHYSICAL ACTIVITY IN WHICH MY GOOD HEALTH AND OWN SKILLS ARE NECESSARY TO SKI/RIDE SAFELY AND IN CONTROL AT ALL TIMES.

I FURTHER HAVE READ THE FOREGOING AND FULLY UNDERSTAND THE CONTENTS OF THE RELEASE-INDEMNITY.

Name (print)

Name (print)

Name (sign and date)

Name (sign and date)

APPROVAL AND ACCEPTANCE BY PARENT OR GUARDIAN

The undersigned, the parents or legal guardian of, have read the following, WAIVER AND RELEASE on behalf of ourselves and the said minor, intending to be legally bound hereby.

Minor's Name and Age

Minor's Name and Age

Parent's Name (print)

Parent's Name (print)

Parent's Signature and Date

Parent's Signature and Date

Send to Vern Shaw, Treasurer, 705 Autumn Drive, Langhorne, PA 19053

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