



# The Danbury Ski Club Times

## May 2018



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### President Message "Charles Rubano"



Greetings Fellow Members,

As my term is coming to a close, I would like to share with you three specific goals that were laid out. I am pleased to report that real progress was made in all three areas.

(1) Grow our membership: We have ended our year with 707 members; a modest increase from the previous year's 669. The trips we have run have brought in new members and there are several younger members that have become active and/or have expressed an interest in contributing.

(2) Make improvements to our Vermont lodge: The efforts of the owners Bob and Pat Mignone, our lodge chair Sam Griffith, and the Board paid off. And let's not overlook for one moment the painting skills of Pat Howard! Sam reported that we had a substantial increase in attendance. There were 475 nights this season, compared with 400 last season. We also reduced our operating loss; this year it is approximately \$1800.00. Here's the punch list of improvements... Whew!

- ✓ Used a professional cleaning service;
- ✓ Kitchen has new flooring, was painted and de-greased and all appliances were checked out.
- ✓ Men's room carpeting (yuck!) was replaced with vinyl flooring;
- ✓ Dining room was painted;
- ✓ Beds and bedding were checked out; storage, shelving and power strips were added to some bedrooms;

Furniture was upgraded and lighting added in living room, fireplace repairs were completed; the player piano was repaired; cable was upgraded to HD and TV upgraded to a flat screen.

(3) Update our by-laws: Alright, I admit that this one may not get *completed* by the May 19th Dinner Dance. But there have been two reviews, and enough progress has been made that we could have a vote by the International Dinner. Stay tuned...

For the past two years, it has been my privilege to serve as your Club's president. It has been both challenging and rewarding. I will remain on the Board in the position of Immediate Past President, and I am looking forward to working alongside our new officers.

To all of our members past and present, I hope you all had a great skiing and riding Season! Thank you for the opportunity to serve. Be well...

Regards,

Charles Rubano  
President, Danbury Ski Club  
860-463-3125



# ANNUAL ELECTION, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018

**NOMINATE NOW!**

Danbury Ski Club is seeking candidates to run for office for the 2018-2019 season. Positions are President, Vice President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Delegate At Large (2 year position not up for election this year), Ambassador and Conn. Ski Council Representatives (5).

### Duties of the officers are as follows:

- President:** Presides at business and Board Of Directors meetings, and oversees all aspects of the club;
- Vice President:** Oversees club trips and standing committees, fills in for the President in the event of his/her absence, is responsible for club property and is in charge of club nominations for office.
- Recording Secretary:** Custodian of club records/documents and minutes of business & BOD meetings;
- Corresponding Secretary:** Responsible for writing and distributing the club newsletter, and backing up the Recording Secretary;
- Delegate at Large:** Represents the interests of club members at BOD meetings (a two year position not on the ballot this year)!
- Ambassador:** Represents the club at CSC functions and competes for the title of CSC State Ambassador at the Snow Ball;
- CSC Representatives (5):** Attend monthly meetings of the Connecticut Ski Council, cast votes representing the interests of the club and vote to select the site of the Winter Carnival.

The following awards will also be voted on:

- Charles Randall Award** – presented to the most outstanding club member
- Steve Fernekas Award** – Presented to the most active club member
- Bob Butcher Award** – presented to the member who best promotes unity and morale
- Rookie of the Year** – presented to the new member who has been most involved

It is crucial that the entire slate of officers be filled this year or we risk dissolution of the club. Please step forward and give back to your club, which offers so many great benefits and cost savings! If you wish to be considered for a position, please come to the May 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting and introduce yourself as well as consenting to your nomination.

If you are interested in running for office, or would like to nominate someone (nominations may only be made with the nominee's consent), contact Vice President Joan Gall at a meeting or by E-mail at: [joangall32@gmail.com](mailto:joangall32@gmail.com).

We have plenty of people with experience who can advise you if you'd like!

Elections: May 3<sup>rd</sup> @ Hatters Park. New BOD sworn in at the DSC Banquet at Mazzo's in Danbury.

**VOTE ON LINE: Check out EBLAST coming soon!**

## ELECTION SLATE – so far

President	
Vice President	
Treasurer	Pam Golde
Recording Secretary	
Corresponding Secretary	Cynthia Yablonski (with Sheri Lussier doing Eblasts)
CSC Ambassador	Dave Zuraw
CSC Representatives (select 5)	Joan Gall, Jim Seri, Greg O'Hara, Mary O'Hara, Dave Zuraw, Others??? _____, _____
As well as all the awards	

## DUE DATES



- May 3<sup>rd</sup>: DSC Election
- May 12<sup>th</sup>: Signup & payment due for DSC Banquet (5/19 Saturday)
- ASAP: Hartford Yard Goats Baseball game (August 11<sup>th</sup>)



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## **ANYONE INTERESTED IN A CHAIR POSITION?**

*After many years of excellent work, our membership chairperson, **Ed Blasco**, is resigning. Please wish him well in his next endeavor.* If anyone is interested in ANY chair position please contact current President Charles Rubano ([secondhillstudio@gmail.com](mailto:secondhillstudio@gmail.com)) before the election, or the new president after the election. Chairs include membership, lodge, voucher, race, instruction, hospitality, webmaster, marketing, publicity, etc.



## **ANNUAL SKI CLUB BANQUET**

May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018 (SATURDAY)

Cost \$40 (member or guest)

Payment Due Date (May 12<sup>th</sup>)



The Danbury Ski Club Annual Awards Banquet will be held on SATURDAY, MAY 19, 2018 at the Banquet Room of Mazzo Mozzarella & Wine Bar in Newtown Rd., Danbury, CT.

This culminates our ski season, and we celebrate DSC's officers, committee chairs, volunteers, racers, members (and their supportive families), recognize the contributions of those who keep our club going (still here after over 60 years!). It is also a reunion of old and new friends that you've met at the lodge, ski trips, swap, and other DSC activities throughout the year. And we will dance, dance, dance.

This is the first time in many years that this event is on a Saturday, so we hope you can make it!

Details will be in the April newsletter and DSC Facebook page.

For more info or questions, please email Joy Seri at [danburyskisocial@yahoo.com](mailto:danburyskisocial@yahoo.com) or post a comment on our DSC Facebook Group event invite.

## **Thanks for the Donations to our Raffle at our Annual Banquet**

Lookout Tavern	2 T-Shirts		Killarny's	\$50 gift cert
Sushi Yoshi	\$25 gift card		Mangiamao	Large Pizza - dine it
Outback Pizza	\$25 gift card		Village Pizza	\$30 gift cert
Peak Performance	Ski Poles		Okemo	2 non-holiday lift tx
Potter Brothers	2 full ski tunes			
Northern Ski Works	3 \$60 ski tunes			

More on the way!

If anyone has contacts with a business that would like to donate a prize (for our banquet or the CSC Snowball in November), please do so and let me know, Dave Zuraw, [dscwebmaster@yahoo.com](mailto:dscwebmaster@yahoo.com)

## **EDITOR'S FAREWELL NOTE**

I want to thank everyone for allowing me to serve as your editor this past year. Even though I am not a writer, I tried my best to keep it interesting and informative. I even added some images, Clip-Arts and color to try to hold your attention.

I want to thank everyone who contributed to the newsletter this year, especially Pam Golde and Joan Gall who both provided valuable feedback on the drafts I sent out.

I will also be available to consult with the new corresponding secretary if asked.

Dave Zuraw



## **ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL DINNER**

June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018  
Hatters Park: 7:00 – 10:00



The Danbury Ski Club Annual International Dinner is where everyone brings an appetizer, entrée, side or dessert and we all share and have a great time.

Save the Date!

More details to follow.



## **BULK LIFT TICKET VOUCHERS**

Coordinator: Dave Zuraw

[vouchers@danburyski.com](mailto:vouchers@danburyski.com), [dscwebmaster@yahoo.com](mailto:dscwebmaster@yahoo.com)



- For CSC rules, log into our [www.Danburyski.com](http://www.Danburyski.com) website and click on Vouchers 2017/2018:

**Voucher returns were due April 19<sup>th</sup>**

**We will not know the credit amount (if any) until August / September!**

**Be prepared to make your vouchers Purchases in September!**

## **CONNECTICUT SKI COUNCIL CORNER**

[www.skiclub.com](http://www.skiclub.com)

- Awareness days & other discounts: <http://skiclub.com/ct-ski-council-welcome/awareness-days/>
- National Ski Federation is a great source of information, check it out at: [skifederation.org](http://skifederation.org)
- CSC is working on discounts ski resorts for **Mountain Biking**, check CSC Website periodically

## **NEW YORK METRO SKI COUNCIL CORNER**

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

- **DISCOUNTS:** The New York Metro Ski Council also has discount days:  
Check out: <http://www.metnyski.org/specialdiscounts.html>



## **HARTFORD YARD GOATS BASEBALL GAME**

DSC's annual baseball event will be the Hartford Yard Goats vs. the Bowie Bay Sox on Saturday, **August 11 at 6:05 p.m.** at the Yard Goats' new stadium just off I-84 in Hartford.



Our seats are in the Party Deck on the third base line. A picnic dinner is included, which will be served from 1 1/2 hours prior to the game until the start of the second inning. Non-alcoholic beverages, also included, will be served until the ninth inning. **The cost per person is \$40.**

The Yard Goats are the AA affiliate of the Colorado Rockies. Last season the team set attendance records at their new ballpark, which is the talk of the league. Minor League games are a lot of fun, often with zany on-field antics between innings. This is great family entertainment, so bring the kids!

We've **only reserved 20 seats**, so please don't delay in letting us know if you can make it. Contact **Jim Seri at 203-798-2597** or at [jimseri@yahoo.com](mailto:jimseri@yahoo.com) to reserve your seat.



## **DSC LODGE**

[Lodge@danburyski.com](mailto:Lodge@danburyski.com)



**Check out this link for details on our lodge:**

[http://www.danburyski.com/content.aspx?page\\_id=22&club\\_id=607388&module\\_id=82050](http://www.danburyski.com/content.aspx?page_id=22&club_id=607388&module_id=82050)

### **CHECK OUT THESE LODGE IMPROVEMENTS:**

<i>Once again using a Professional Cleaning Service</i>	<i>New flooring in kitchen</i>
<i>Old mens room carpeting replaced with vinyl flooring</i>	<i>Kitchen has been painted and degreased</i>
<i>Dining room will be painted</i>	<i>All appliances have been checked out and working</i>
<i>Some beds rearranged for better space utilization</i>	<i>Storage and shelving added to some bedrooms</i>
<i>Bedding checked, in good condition, properly supported</i>	<i>Power strips added to all bedrooms</i>
<i>Lighting added in living room</i>	<i>Fireplace repairs complete</i>
<i>Furniture upgraded in living room</i>	<i>Player piano repaired</i>
<i>Cable was upgraded to HD</i>	<i>TV upgraded to flat screen</i>
<i>Lodge vouchers available @5 for \$110 until 12/14</i>	<b><i>NEXT YEAR: MORE IMPROVEMENTS ON THE WAY!</i></b>

**Lodge is closed, thanks to all that visited this year and thanks to SAM for a job well done.**



## **WE COULD REALLY USE YOUR IDEAS**



If anyone has any ideas on how to accomplish the following, please let us know:

Raise money, save money, increase membership and attendance at meetings, events, lodge, trips, and volunteers to help the club.

Expenses have increased substantially the last few years with minimal adjustments to our pricing. For YOUR CLUB to continue providing great events, trips and services for YOU, **we need new ideas.**

**Contact any BOD member with your thoughts:** President Charles R ([secondhillstudio@gmail.com](mailto:secondhillstudio@gmail.com)); VP Joan G. ([joangall32@gmail.com](mailto:joangall32@gmail.com)), Treasurer Pam G. ([meanoldmom@comcast.net](mailto:meanoldmom@comcast.net)), Pat H. ([phfactor@icloud.com](mailto:phfactor@icloud.com)), Dave Z. ([dscwebmaster@yahoo.com](mailto:dscwebmaster@yahoo.com))



## **Ski Haus** Est. 1962

We'd like to thank our partners at Ski Haus in New Milford for our long-standing relationship with them as well as working with us at our annual Ski Swap and for donating a wonderful pair of skis for our Raffle.

***Your membership entitles you to discounts at Ski Haus!***

Skihausonline.com 860-355-2001  
162 Danbury Road, New Milford, CT  
Locations also in Brewster, NY and Wappingers Falls, NY

## May 2018

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
		1	2	 Business Meeting Election Day Hatter's, 7:30.	4	CSC Carnival Selection meeting
NJ Ski Show	7	8	Boston Ski Show	10	11	12
	14	15	16	 Board of Directors 7:30, Pam's House, Ridgefield	18	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27		29	30	31		

## June 2018

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	 Business Meeting Hatters, 7:30	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	18	19	20	 International Potluck Hatters 7:00pm	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

## July 2018

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1	2	3		5 NO MEETING	6	7
8	9	10	11	 Board of Directors 6:30 Hatters  Business Meeting 7:30 Hatters	13	14
15	16	17	18	NO MEETING, Any ideas for an informal gathering? Tell a BOD member.	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

Hartford Yard-Goats Baseball Game: August 11 \$40

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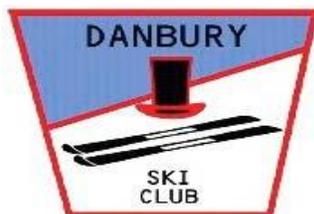
HIKING ???

RAFTING ???

GOLF ???

# DANBURY SKI CLUB

A CLUB FOR ALL SEASONS



**NEW PO BOX: P.O. Box 3473 Danbury, CT 06810-3473**

203-792-DSKI (3754) [membership@danburyski.com](mailto:membership@danburyski.com)

## **DSC 2017/2018 BOARD OF DIRECTORS/OFFICERS**

<u>PRESIDENT:</u>	Charles Rubano
<u>VICE PRESIDENT:</u>	Joan Gall
<u>TREASURER:</u>	Pam Golde
<u>IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT:</u>	Pat Howard
<u>DELEGATE-at-LARGE:</u>	Dave Zuraw
Recording Secretary:	_____ (interim: P. Golde)
Corresponding Secretary: (newsletter)	_____ (interim: D. Zuraw)
Ambassador:	_____
Ct Ski Council Representatives:	Mary O'Hara, Greg O'Hara, Jim Seri, Dave Zuraw, _____

*WE INVITE EVERYONE TO COME TO THE MEETINGS AND GET THE LATEST UPDATES ON EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES.*

*Meeting Location typically:  
Hatters Park, Banquet Room  
7 East Hayestown Road  
Danbury, CT*

### **DIRECTIONS:**

**From I-84 East:** Exit 5 -- Straight to traffic light -- Straight onto North St. -- Right at 4th light (Hayestown Rd) -- Left at next light (Tamarack Ave. becomes East Hayestown Rd) -- Hatters Park is a quarter mile on right.

**From I-84 West:** Exit 6 -- Right at traffic light (North St) -- Right at next light (Hayestown Rd) -- Left at next light (Tamarack Ave. becomes East Hayestown Rd). -- Hatters Park is a quarter mile on the right.

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**MEETINGS:** Danbury Ski Club business meeting are typically held on the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm. Boards of Director Meetings are on the third Thursday of each month and are open to all... you can listen, comment. Except for certain special programs, meetings are held at Hatters Park. Additional meetings may be scheduled at the discretion of the BOD. Please check our website, [www.danburyski.com](http://www.danburyski.com) for the latest information.

### **Danbury Ski Club is on SOCIAL MEDIA!**



Follow us on twitter: #danburyskiclub

Visit our Danbury Ski Club [Facebook page](#) to get quick updates on our events and activities.

(Written by Joy Seri. Thx)

