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TRAILSWEEPINGS

The Newsletter of the Trailsweepers Snow and Sport Club Inc.

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

At the time of this writing, it is raining rather than snowing. Unfortunately, climate change is in front of our eyes. However, I remain hopeful that the snow is right around the corner so that we may enjoy some up-coming ski events. On March 7th the Benedictine Health Foundation will host a Ski Benefit at Plattekill. The NJSC President's Race is on March 16th at Hunter. Also, Ski and Lunch with Robbie will be on March 21st at Hunter.

On behalf of TSSC, we would like to express our appreciation to Steve for coordinating the Winter Hikes. A thank you to Lisa for putting together the After the Holiday Dinner. We also support Dale in conducting the Boot Alignment Program.

If you have not yet paid for your TSSC dues, please follow-up. Membership cards will be sent out by mail.

The next program will be on March 26th and will feature Jeff Senterman, Executive Director of the Catskill Center. He will provide an update on the Catskill Park Initiatives.

THINK SNOW

Robbie

Celebration of Life for Carol Viglielmo

When: Saturday, March 2nd from 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Where: The Millstream Tavern located at the Woodstock Golf Club 114 Mill Hill Rd,
Woodstock, NY 12498

Jeff Viglielmo and family are inviting Trailsweepers to help celebrate a life well lived with her family and friends.

CLUB MEETINGS

Normally held on the second and fourth Tuesday each month with an abbreviated schedule in the summer. Note: Changes will be communicated via President's e-mail.

On **Tuesday March 12** there will be a Board meeting at 6:30 pm followed by a regular Club meeting beginning at 7:30 pm.

On **Tuesday March 26** there will be an Informational Program beginning at 7:00 pm.

Meeting Venue: Sky View Mexican Restaurant

237 Forest Hill Drive
Kingston, NY 12401

Hudson Valley Ski Club Link

Our "sister" club sponsors many activities that may be of interest to Trailsweepers who are not already dual members so here is a link to the HVSC website for easy reference -

<http://www.hudsonvalleyskiclub.org>

HOLD THE DATES

Spring Banquet: Friday May 3, 2024, 6 - 10 pm

Ole Savannah Restaurant - Kingston, NY
Buffet dinner and Dancing

Almost Summer Bash - Saturday June 15, 2024*

George Freer Park - Port Ewen, NY

* Date to be confirmed pending availability of Park, potential alternate dates June 8 or 9

FUTURE TSSC EVENTS CALENDAR

- Friday **March 8**, 5:30 pm. Happy Hour at Santa Fe Burger Bar, Rosendale
- Tuesday March 12, 6:30 pm. Board and regular Club meetings including nominations for Annual Election
- Saturday March 16 - NJSSC President's race at Hunter
- Thursday March 21 - Ski and Lunch with Robbie at Hunter
- Friday March 22, 5:30 pm. Happy Hour at Brickmen, Kingston NY
- Tuesday March 26, 7 pm - Meeting and Informational Program
- Tuesday **April 9**, 6:30 pm Board and General meeting including Annual Election of Officers and Director positions for those Board members with expiring terms.
- Friday **May 3**, 6 pm. Spring Banquet at Ole Savannah, Kingston, NY
- Saturday **June 15** (to be confirmed) Almost Summer Bash, Freer Park Port Ewen, NY

Since events sometimes change, efforts will be made to maintain the calendar on the Club website current. To access it go the website, open the Events page and you can then view events in either the default listing format or in an optional calendar view which is available by clicking on the "square" on the right side of the page.

INFORMATIONAL PROGRAMS

Tuesday February 13, 2024

Dale Ziegenfelder presented a program on **proper boot alignment** important for getting your skis flat on the snow when you are in a neutral athletic position. Three interested members took Dale up on his offer to check alignment in their ski boots. Thanks Dale.

Tuesday March 26, 2024 7:00 pm

Jeff Senterman, Executive Director of the Catskill Center will provide an overview and update on **Catskill Park initiatives** including implementation of the Catskill Advisory Group's final report and the pilot Visitor Use Management project at Kaaterskill Clove. He will take a look back at the 2023 season for the Catskills Visitor Center and Catskill Stewards Program, and successful Catskill Center advocacy in Albany for Catskill Park funding. Questions and discussions will be welcome throughout the presentation.

trail programs. He has worked as an environmental planner for the Maine Land use Regulation Commission and Waterman Design Associates. Jeff also worked as a New York Dept. of Environmental Conservation assistant forest ranger in Greene County.

An avid hiker and outdoorsman, Jeff spends a lot of time exploring in the Catskills, Adirondacks and New England with his husband Maurice. He currently serves on the Board of the American Hiking Society, the Catskills Watershed Corporation and the Central Catskills Chamber of Commerce. Jeff Holds a BS from Lyndon State College in VT with a concentration in environmental science.

If you would like to volunteer to organize and/or deliver a program or have a specific idea or request related to a topic please contact **Rob Fletcher**, Program Chair.



HAPPY HOURS FOR MARCH

Friday March 8: 5:30 pm

[Sante Fe Burger Bar](#)

388 Main Street

Rosendale, NY 12472

Friday March 22nd: 5:30 pm *

[Brickmen Kitchen and Bar](#)

47 N Front Street

Kingston, NY 12401

* Note - Brickmen advertises discounted happy hour prices on drinks and appetizers in the bar area from **3 - 6 pm** so you may want to consider getting there a little earlier for this one.



Several of us completed 5 winter Catskill 3500 peak hikes so far this season. For those of you "on the fence" about participating, with the appropriate clothing and equipment, winter hiking can be quite enjoyable - no bugs or nettles and offering views that you just don't see in other seasons.

If you would like to propose (or better yet lead) a hike, please speak with hiking chair, Steve Wingard. We are fortunate to have so many local opportunities for challenging hikes in the Catskills and Shawangunks as well as more relaxing walks on rail trails and other recreational areas.



IT'S SKI SEASON!

SKI DAY (AND LUNCH) WITH ROBBIE

Hunter Mountain, Thursday March 21. Please bring a dish to share.

(845) 338-1537. Note - This date may be a little late in the season for optimum snow cover so look for emails closer to the date.

SKI TRIPS

New Jersey Ski & Snowboard Council have announced the following for 2023/'24 with additional details to be communicated in the future.

Aspen/Snowmass, CO: February 24 - March 2, 2024

Sunday River, Maine: March 3 - 8, 2024

Additional information and links for each trip when available can be found in the Ski Trips section of the NJSSC website [The New Jersey Ski & Snowboard Council](#)

Hudson Valley Ski Club will sponsor the following trips

Telluride, CO - March 2 - 9 2024

Eastern Trips - Gore - March 12 - 15

Additional information and links for each trip when available can be found in the Ski Trips section of the HVSC website <http://www.hudsonvalleyskiclub.org>

RACING

NJSSC President's Race: Saturday March 16, 2024 at Hunter.

Here's a note from coordinator Dale Z. For those interested in participating, links for the event flyer with full details and a required waiver from Hunter are below.

" I just received the flyer - Prices are the same as last year :

\$77 adult (ages 20 to 64)

\$65 senior

\$23 race only

This is our fun race, where it doesn't matter what your ability is. The more people we have, the better the chance of a TSSC win. Note we need at least 3 women to field a team. Two have told me they can't make it, so I hope our Club's women will make the effort to participate.

Please send checks **made out to TSSC** to Dale at:

85 High Rocks Rd,

Woodstock, NY 12498

If you plan to participate, it is now time to confirm and send your checks. As before, the club fronts the money to NJSSC at the time of registration on behalf of all who participate. I'd like to get our roster in by March 7 to

Regards,
Dale

Flyer

https://mcusercontent.com/12dc0f31cf0de42e0801b3e21/files/7dd7df25-624a-8c63-abfc-4122f0ac5c71/24_Pres_Race_Flyer.pdf

Waiver

https://mcusercontent.com/12dc0f31cf0de42e0801b3e21/files/474fd9ad-dbb4-72e8-f4b2-d4d57e123b68/SSMPR_Waiver.pdf

Trailsweepers were well represented at the **West Mountain Masters Race** in February.



CLUB BUSINESS

Board Meeting Minutes - February 13, 2024

A meeting of the Board of Directors of Trailsweepers Snow and Sports Club was called to order by Dale Ziegenfelder at Sky View Restaurant. Present: Kathie Quick, Mike Griffin.

The Almost Summer Bash was sanctioned for June 15, 8, or 9 in order of preference. Kathie will reserve Freer Park on March 1.

Regular Meeting

In President Rob Fletcher's absence, the meeting was called to order by Jeff Huth at 7:20 PM

- Board Report: Dale Zigenfelder
 - Board sanctioned NJSSC President's Race 3/16 at Hunter
 - Board sanctioned Almost summer Bash at Freer Park -date To Be Confirmed
- Happy Hour 2/23 at Stella's Restaurant in Kingston
- Membership cards not already picked up by members will be sent out by mail
- Jeff S. from The Catskill Center will present an informational program on 3/26
- Spring Banquet will be held Friday 5/3 6-10 PM at Ole Savannah in Kingston (in tent), \$35 for meal and band
- Winter Hiking. Members are encouraged to join hikes and offer suggestions for future hikes. A full moon hike to Giant Ledge was suggested.

TSSC Meeting was adjourned at 7:40.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Matthews -Secretary

Trailsweepers Club Roster 2021/2022

(area codes 845 unless otherwise noted)

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Skip Alford (4/'25) 481-2898

Mike Griffin (4/'24) 914-388-7558

Katie Viglielmo (4/'24) 594-4359

Steve Wingard (4/'24) 532-7459

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Social Events

After the Holidays - Lisa Olivett 542-3945

Fall Kick-off - TBD

Happy Hours - Ellen Berlin

Spring Banquet - Diana Ziegenfelder 657-6312, Karen Spinozzi 338-0626

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