

# River Hills Ski Club SKIZETTE



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## DECEMBER 2004



### DECEMBER

December 7:  
State-of-the-Art Ski/Board Equipment  
with Frank Matsuda  
from Pedigree Ski Shops

December 11:  
Holiday Party

December 31:  
New Year's Eve Party at the Lodge

### JANUARY 2005

January 4: General Meeting

January 7-9: Bus Trip

January 18: General Meeting  
"Navigate the RHSC Website"

Visit the new RHSC website at our new address:

**[www.riverhillsskiclub.org](http://www.riverhillsskiclub.org)**

**MEMBERS ONLY LOGIN:**

**RIVERHILLS**

**MEMBERS ONLY PASSWORD:**

**KILLINGTON**

## Bulk Ticket Program

FROM JIM MAITLAND

1. Distribution will be at the December 7th meeting at the Norwalk Boat Club.
2. You will be asked to check your ticket order when you receive it and sign a confirmation that your order is correct.
3. Tickets will be mailed only at the member's specific request via email to Jim Maitland at [jamesmaitland1@yahoo.com](mailto:jamesmaitland1@yahoo.com). Postage and insurance (suggested) are at the member's expense.
4. Tickets may only be used by members and their families. Buying extra tickets for non-RHSC friends is inappropriate.
5. Be aware that each ticket is coded with a tracking number back to RHSC and the individual member.
6. Tickets may be resold within RHSC. However, the tickets may not be resold on eBay, the internet or in the resort parking lots. We are told that the CSC and the resorts will be checking for unauthorized resales.
7. The resorts may request your driver's license, RHSC membership card and the CSC sticker on your RHSC card for identification and to confirm eligibility.
8. If tickets are confiscated by the resort, RHSC will not reimburse you.



RHSC Lodge 11/04 . . . waiting for the first big snow. photo by Mike Kellick



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# Historical Notes

by Barbara and Bob Guth

**40 YEARS AGO—DECEMBER 1964**

The Christmas Cocktail Party was held at the Belltown Fire House in Stamford this year and featured all the martinis and manhattan's you can drink for \$2.00 per person. Ah, the good old days.

A report was made on the November work weekend. The new dormers added considerable light and ventilation to the dorms. New furniture for the living room arrived on Sunday via Silberman's truck. A plea was made to avoid cigarette burns in the new furniture.

Susie Eynon was crowned Connecticut Ski Queen at the annual Snow Ball. River Hills clinched this title four times in the last five contests!

**30 YEARS AGO—DECEMBER 1974**

The Connecticut Ski Council announced a cross-country ski party to be held at Blackberry Inn in Norfolk, CT. A day of skiing with lessons and a trail lunch plus a Stew Dinner cost \$8. It was report-

ed that 14 inches of snow fell on Killington in the middle of November.

**20 YEARS AGO—DECEMBER 1984**

The membership committee announced that we had 149 memberships and asked all members to make a New Year's resolution to volunteer to help the club even if only in some small way. The Skizette reported on a very successful bike trip originating from Carol Bancroft's home. This annual tradition still continues.

**10 YEARS AGO—DECEMBER 1994**

The Skizette cover showed a photo of Brother Hughes, complete with collar, substituting for Fr. Deluca as auctioneer at the Chinese Auction. The new requirement of mandated training for Lodge Coordinators was reported. Gabe Cordova announced plans for a ski trip to Val d'Isere and Tignes in France.

## lodge coordinators

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**NO CALLS AFTER 9 PM PLEASE**

# OPERATIONS OBSERVATIONS

By Kathy Hener

The "Big Season" is around the corner. Make your DECEMBER reservations now with Paula Clupper.

Remember that the cook/dishwasher service doesn't start until the 4th weekend in December. Until then you are responsible for your own food and clean-up. Don't leave ANY

food in the refrigerators or on the kitchen counters, even if you think someone may want it later. It invites pests and it is not healthy. **Please clean up after yourself.**

If you use the griddle on the gas stove, clean it *thoroughly* after you are finished. It is not acceptable to leave that for other members, the housekeeper or to wait until work weekend.

When making reservations, please don't leave just a message on the Monthly Coordinator's answering machine and assume that you are confirmed. You must call back to make sure that you are

confirmed. If you call last minute, and the book has already been given to the Weekend Coordinator, they will tell you who to contact. You can also make reservations and get confirmations online.

Now that everyone has been trained at the Coordinators Training meeting in November, I expect to see a lot of volunteers for Weekend Coordinators!! When you make a reservation, tell the Monthly Coordinator that you would like to do it. If you are not comfortable flying solo yet, then shadow the coordinator the next time you are up and watch what to do. Being a Weekend Coordinator is considered a significant contribution for a club activity. Please sign up.

Also, I am looking for someone to update and replenish the First Aid Kits in the Lodge. They are kept in the men's and ladies bathrooms. Contact me, if you would like to this task and when you can complete it.

Have a great holiday,  
Kathy Hener



Killington 11/04. photo by Mike Kellick



# *Hurry and join the January Bus Trip*

Ski SUGARBUSH and STRATTON  
with RHSC  
January 7th — 9th, 2005

- FRIDAY:** Board the bus on Friday, January 7, at the Noroton Railroad Station. (Exit 10 off I-95) at 6:30 PM. Your car can be left there for the weekend. We'll party on the way up to the River Hills Lodge in Vermont with food, beverages & music provided.
- SATURDAY:** An early rising with breakfast provided and head-out to Sugarbush. Ski the whole day! Party on bus back to the River Hills lodge, where beverages, appetizers, a warm crackling fire and a delicious dinner await us.
- SUNDAY:** Sunday morning, after a hardy breakfast, we'll head south to Stratton. Movies, fun and games enjoyed by all on the bus to make the traveling more enjoyable. Ski Stratton till 3:30pm. Board the bus at 4:00pm and either party some more or just rest on the bus 'till we get to the parking lot at the Noroton Railroad Station.

**Cost for Members: \$230 Cost for guests: \$250**  
**(cost reduction of \$25 for Juniors (7-12) and Seniors (65+))**

Price includes, round trip bus transportation to Vermont and both ski areas, lift tickets, Friday night food and beverages on the bus, Saturday breakfast and dinner, Sunday breakfast, snacks & beverages on the bus for the way home.

**Trip Coordinator—Gerry Harrington**  
**SIGN UP NOW—PAYMENT NEEDED BY DECEMBER 10TH.**

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Yes, I'd like to join RHSC on this bus trip January 7th to 9th to Sugarbush and Stratton

Name/s: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

Guest/s \_\_\_\_\_

**I need volunteers—please help! Call Gerry Harrington ASAP!!**

Fill-out and mail, together with your check (payable to River Hills Ski Club) to:  
Gerry Harrington, P.O. Box 1603, New Canaan, Ct. 06840  
Phone: (203) 966-4846 or (203) 984-7202





# River Hills Ski Club Holiday Season Bash



Saturday, December 11, 2004  
6:30 pm to 11:00 pm

At the home of Mark & Juliet Cavallaro  
27 Hynard Place, Somers, NY (see directions online)

Hors d'oeuvres • Buffet Dinner • Dessert  
Beer, Wine and Soda will be served (bring your own stronger spirits)

In keeping with the spirit of the holiday we will be collecting gifts to give to children in need.  
If you would like to participate, please bring a gift appropriate for a child

RSVP to Stephanie Evers at (203) 253-3855. Checks for \$30 per person should be made out to RHSC  
and mailed to Stephanie Evers, 44 Strawberry Hill Avenue, Apt. 7P, Stamford, CT 06902

*Happy Holidays!!*