

Wausau Nordic Ski Club

OCTOBER, 2011



SKI SWAP: - November 5th-

If you haven't renewed your membership (or lost your form) you will find another one in this newsletter. Everyone whose membership form is returned by October 29th will have their name entered into a drawing! On Saturday, November 5th some lucky winner will receive a Nine Mile Individual Season Pass for the 2011-12 season, or \$75 toward a family pass! The winner's name will be posted near the table where the county passes are sold. There are more reasons to send in your membership by *October 29th*. We need to provide Marathon County our Membership List by November 1st. They will use it to determine eligibility for the \$5/\$10 discount on your Marathon County Ski Pass for the 2011-12 season (the discount is only good in November). Remember to sign the Waiver Statement. *Note Lifetime Members must also submit a signed form annually!* Thanks for your support and quick reply.

In conjunction with the Alpine Ski Club – we will hold our ANNUAL SKI SWAP on Saturday, November 5th at EAST GATE HALL IN MARATHON COUNTY PARK. Sale will start at 11 AM Saturday. Volunteer workers will be needed both late Friday and Saturday. Commission is 20%, we will be using the same computer system as Alpine, so check-in & check-out will be handled jointly. Credit cards will be allowed.

but there will be a \$3 charge. WAX BENCH will continue to provide cleaning and glide waxing of your skis as well as binding changes
Schedule:
Friday, November 4th
6:00-8:00 PM Drop-off your sale items
Saturday, Nov 5th
8:00-11:00 AM Drop-off items (the earlier the better to help us be ready for an 11 AM Sale start)
11:00 AM-4:30 PM **Public Sale**
5:00-6:00 PM Pick-up Unsold items &

Checks

We are in great need of gently used, fairly new performance equipment for resale— consider upgrading your equipment this year and letting us sell yours

For updates check www.WausauNordic.com

Wausau Nordic Communication Changes!

After this initial October Newsletter, the Wausau Nordic Ski Club will communicate with their members only via the website and email. Starting in November, articles of interest and club alerts/reminders will be posted on the website www.wausaunordic.com Specific reminders and special club alerts will also be sent by email to Club Members ONLY. PLEASE help us out by making sure your email address is legible on your membership form so we can accurately enter it in our database. Don't miss out on Nordic activities planned for this year – join us today.

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Marking Your Equipment NOW SAVES FUTURE HEADACHES! Equipment can be easily labeled with those address labels all of us get in the mail – slap one on each ski and pole and put some clear packaging tape over the top to keep the moisture off. If they are left somewhere – the finder knows who exactly to contact (some people add phone number). Equipment is expensive – Identify Yours!

Ski Programs at 9 Mile

Children's "Snow Strider"

Sundays at 9 Mile Recreation Area
January 8th thru the 29th
1:00 PM to 3:00 PM
For children 6 to 10 years old. Focus is on FUN and learning to ski. Final meeting is a bonfire cook-out and special activities. We have 30 pairs of skis, boots, and poles to be used free of charge for those who don't have equipment, on a first come, first served basis. \$10 for club members, \$15 for non-members. To register call SCOTT ANDERSON at 845-5121

Free Adult Lessons To all adults in the community! Tuesday Nights Jan 10th thru 31st

7:00-8:00 PM (cookies & hot cider after skiing)
Trail Pass is FREE, Ski rentals are FREE & available on a first come basis
No Pre-Registration needed, No children Please
Questions call **John Beatty 355-1271**
JUST DO IT!
* Note: Free Skiing is only for people participating in the lessons.

NIGHT GLIDERS

For Middle School Children
(5th through 8th grade- 4th grade with coach approval)
Tuesdays and Thursday evenings
5:15-6:30 PM **Organizational Meeting is Sunday, October 16th at 4PM at 9 Mile!!**

Registration is closed, this program has already reached its cap

GREG KRESSE at 355-0821 Dryland training is currently in progress with registered participants.

Junior Olympic Qualifying Nordic Sprint Races will be held in Wausau this December. This is quite exciting for spectators as there are great viewing opportunities on the loop sprint course. This will be held at Greenwood Hills Golf Course on Saturday & Sunday, December 17th and 18th. The event is held in conjunction with the Central Cross Country Ski Association (CXC) and Knicker Nordic. This race is largely due to the efforts of John Hugus to bring a Junior Olympics Qualifier to Wausau. **Please consider volunteering for this event.**

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Sponsorship Program

As anyone who has skied the Birkie or Kortie knows, the cost of entry increases each month until right before the race when it is over \$100. Many of our young skiers do not come from ski families and know nothing about the Kortie until late in the season when the cost is prohibitive. In 2005 a program was started that is TAX DEDUCTIBLE where you can sponsor a junior skier for a donation of \$60 made payable to WINN (Wisconsin Nordic Network) and mailed to WINN % Anne Riendl, 2907 Farm View CT, Waukesha, WI 53188-4460. To participate in the program, a coach or advisor forwards the name of the skier(s) that he/she selected to Phil Johnsrud at Iola who coordinates the list with the Birkie office.

Twenty Wausau athletes have benefited from this program since its inception

PS: The Wausau Nordic Ski Club contributes money to the WINN program – your membership dollars at work!

PSS: Club families, Individuals, and Businesses have also contributed.

If you want to know more about this program go to xcskiwinn.org

HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

The Wausau Nordic Ski Club awards scholarships to deserving senior cross-country ski athletes each spring at our Club Awards Night. We administer the Van Ert Scholarship as well as distribute scholarships that are funded from the Wausau Nordic Ski Club. We would like to share with you the criteria that are used to help the board decide on who is deserving of a scholarship.

In making selections of appropriate applicants to receive scholarships, the following factors are taken into account:

1. The applicant must attend a two or four year technical school/college or university.
2. The applicant must have participated in High School Cross-Country Ski competition for a minimum of three years.
3. The applicant need not be a top-level competitor.
4. The applicant and/or their family have been a member of the Wausau Nordic Ski club for at least two years.
5. The applicant must demonstrate that he or she has contributed to their sport by acting as a cross-country ski ambassador at school or in their community through coaching, mentoring, or working to increase participation in the sport. Examples of this include, but are not limited to: teaching skiing to younger children, trail work, recruiting peers, participation in club service events and/or activities such as the wax bench at the ski swap, interviews, etc.
6. All applicants must make written application outlining his/her qualifications for the scholarship.

Financial need of the applicant is a plus, but not a necessity.

- Criteria letter will be distributed to all cross-country ski athletes/parents by area coaches at the start of each season.

Seniors must submit their letter of application by February 15th of each year to:

Wausau Nordic Ski Club
P O Box 1813
Wausau, WI 54402-1813

Selection of applicant(s) to receive scholarships will be made by the Wausau Nordic Ski Club Board in conjunction with input from area coaches.

*** NOTE: The Van Ert Scholarship is a single scholarship awarded as a \$500 check*
The Wausau Nordic Ski Club Scholarship(s) may vary on a yearly basis in both number and dollar amount

2011 Scholarship Recipients!

CONGRATULATIONS! At the Club’s Awards night in March the Van Ert Scholarship was awarded to Ashlee Marshall (West) who is attending Montana State University and will be skiing on the women’s collegiate team. Club scholarships were awarded to Matt Nichols (West) who is attending UW Green Bay on a ski scholarship (Division One Ski Team), Allison McDonald (West) who is attending UW Madison, Melissa Heeren (East) who is attending Lawrence University, and Krista Maguire (East) who is attending Drake University.

Marathon County Ski Pass Prices for the 2011-12 Season

Buy your season pass at the Swap (Need separate check)

Before Nov 30:

Adult Single \$80 (with club discount price is \$75)
 Seniors (60+) \$60 (with club discount \$55)
 Family \$170 (with club discount price is \$160)
 Youth (12 years old thru high school) \$45 (NO club discount)
 Children UNDER 12 always ski free

After Nov 30:

Adult Single \$85 (NO club discount)
 Seniors (60+) \$60 (NO club Discount)
 Family \$180 (NO club discount)
 Youth (12 years thru high school) \$50 (NO club discount)

Snow Shoe Pass - \$30 (Before & after November 30th – no club discount)

Additional examples per Marathon County:

- All prices will stay the same as last year. We will also honor the Nordic discount of \$5 for an Adult Single or Senior Single pass and \$10 total for a Family Pass).
- No discounts of any kind (Nordic or early purchase) will be honored after November 30, even if the person purchasing the season pass is a Nordic member.
- A Family is defined as "a parent(s) or legal guardian(s) and their minor children and/or their adult children who are attending school and whose permanent address is still their parent's residence.

WHY WE NEED YOUR MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL IN OCTOBER (Membership now runs from October 1st, 2011 to September 30th, 2012)

Once again we are asking that members be prompt in renewing their membership. We have a limited amount of members who formulate the membership and mailing lists and respond to the County's request for this information (the County uses it for discounting pass purchasers). Your prompt reply is appreciated! ***Please note – we give the County our Membership List PRIOR to the Swap. Please see article on Ski Pass prices for discount information.

Help us out and please check the activities you would be willing to volunteer to help with!

View from the Board

Welcome back to old members! You are all central to keeping Wausau on the map as the home of cross country skiing in Central Wisconsin. To those potential members who received this first newsletter, I would ask you to consider supporting cross country skiing by joining us. Club members lend helping hands to all the cross country ski events, club activities, and programs that support youth and adult skiing in the greater Wausau area. We would welcome your talents.

I would like this season to be my last as Club president, so please think about what you might have to offer the skiing community and join our Board or consider an officer position this year. We have excellent hardworking individuals on the Board who could use your assistance. JUST DO IT FOR SKIING! Rachel

WINTER SKI CAMP

High School Skiers will again take place in Houghton MI during Christmas vacation. (Middle School kids by invitation). Ski camp runs from **Wednesday**, December 28th, through the 30th. I have reserved 10 rooms at the Super 8 (virtually a mile downhill from the MTU trails). Swede Trails are in Calumet 11 miles away. We will get a special flat room rate of \$65 plus tax. Just call 1-906-482-2240 and tell them you are part of the Wausau Nordic Ski group to get the room rate. Rooms will only be held until November 28th, after that they are released to the general public. Adults will not have a formal program so you are free to ski on your own and with your friends on your own schedule. Area also provides downhill skiing and plenty of snowshoeing. If you have skills around helping others to ski better, Contact Greg 355-0821 as we can always use some help with the kids.

WAUSAU NORDIC SKI CLUB
www.wausaunordic.com

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012

Name(s): _____ Number in Family (____)
(Last) (First)

Address: _____
(Street/P.O.#) (City) (State) (Zip)

Phone: (____)____ - _____(h) (____)____ - _____(other)

Email: _____ *Primary Means of Communication after Oct.
(please print legibly)

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

NEW

____ Family (\$25)
____ Individual (\$15)

RENEWAL

____ Family (\$25)
____ Individual (\$15) ____ I am a Lifetime Member

Please check the activities you would be willing to volunteer to help with:

____ Trail Maintenance ____ Snekkevik Race ____ Ski Swap
____ Middle School Coaching ____ Sunday Children's Program ____ Adult Ski Lessons
____ Club Meeting Hosts ____ Event Food Concessions
(set-up & clean-up)

As a member of the Wausau Nordic Ski Club, I agree to conduct myself in such a manner as to benefit the name and membership of the Club. Furthermore, I waive all rights and claims against the Wausau Nordic Ski Club, its officers, directors and agents; relating to any claims of liability for damages to my person, personal belongings, or guests or their belongings while participating in the activities of the club.

Member Signature (or parent/guardian if applicant under 18) _____
(Required) Date

***Make checks payable and mail with applications to:
Wausau Nordic Ski Club, P.O. Box 1813, Wausau, WI 54402-1813***

I agree that the information I share here will be available to all club members, unless I indicate otherwise.

I have enclosed an additional \$_____ to support Youth Nordic Ski Programs

www.WausauNordic.com

*Mail with check to:
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Wausau, WI 54402-1813*



**You're invited to a benefit for
Wausau Nordic Ski Club
Saturday, Nov. 5th
12:00-5:00**

Come to Burrachos Fresh Mexican Grill

In Rib Mountain, when 20% **of Sales** will be donated to the Wausau Nordic Ski Club.

Please bring this flyer with you to make sure your purchase is recognized for the donation.



**4125 Rib Mountain Dr
Phone 715-359-2740
www.burrachos.com**

Interactive calendar WWW.WAUSAUNORDIC.COM/CALENDAR.HTM**OCTOBER**

- 16 Night Glider Organizational Meeting 4PM 9 Mile Chalet
2,9,16,23,30 Night Glider Dryland Training
23 Trail Clean-Up 10AM (call John Howard 359-2812 if questions)

NOVEMBER

- 4 Ski Swap Drop-Off 6-8 PM
5 **Ski Swap Sale** 11 AM-4PM (See www.wausaunordic.com or front page for Complete details)
Marathon County Park, East Gate Hall
6 Night Glider Dryland Training
13 Night Glider Equipment Distribution 1-3 PM at 9 Mile Chalet

DECEMBER

- 6 **6PM Club Meeting/Pot Luck at 9 Mile**
10 **Bus Trip Active Backwoods Retreat (ABR)** Denny Helke 359-0087
13,15,20,22 Night Glider Training 5:15-6:30 PM at 9 Mile (subject to change Based on snow) Greg
Kresse 355-0821
17, 18 Junior Olympic Sprints, Greenwood Hills
28,29,30 Ski Camp Houghton MI

JANUARY

- 3 Wausau Invite HS/MS 9 Mile/Greenwood Hills backup if no snow at 9 Mile
8, 15, 22, 29 Snow Striders Children's Ski Program 1-3 PM at 9 Mile
Scott Anderson 845-5121
5, 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, 26 Night Gliders 5:15-6:30 PM
10, 17, 24, 31 Free Adult Ski Lessons 7-8 PM at 9 Mile John Beatty 355-1271
14 **Snekkevik Ski Event**
19, 26 Skier Education Nights Check website for details
26 Marshmallow Roast 6 PM at 9 Mile

FEBRUARY

- 4/5 Ski Event (Details at a later date)
2, 7, 9, 14, 16, 21, 23, 28 Night Gliders 5:15-6:30 PM
11 HS/MS State Championships at Minocqua
16 **7 PM Club Meeting/ Chocolate/Gourmet Foods/ & Presentation**
21 City Meet 4PM HS/MS Paint Ball
24,25 Jr. Birkie & Korte/Birkie at Telemark

MARCH

- 4 **Sunday 12 Noon Newman/Marawood**
"Taste on the Trails" Fund Raiser
4 Afternoon Night Glider Awards
01, 06, 08 Night Gliders 5:15-6:30 PM
13 **6 PM Pot Luck and Club Awards**

**Nordic and Alpine Ski Swap
Friday, November 4th**

6:00-8:00 PM Drop-off items for sale

Saturday, November 6th

8:00-11:00 AM Drop-off for items for sale (early is better)

11:00 AM-4:30 PM **Public Sale**

5:00-6:00 PM Pick-up Unsold items & Checks

Schedule Updates can be found at: www.wausaunordic.com

Greenwood Hills

Watch for news on new ski developments at Greenwood Hills Golf Course for the 2011-2012 season.

While many articles include information you “old” members may have heard before, our potential and new members need to learn about the basic endeavors our club supports, so please forgive any redundancy.

**New this year”
Addition of a
25K skate at
the Snekkevik**

Save your Calendar in this issue so you have a quick reference for our major activities this season!

Please share your current e-mail address with us on your membership form that we can alert you to new and changing events. (This is the only newsletter this season, updates will be via email and web site)



Look for the December 10th ABR Bus Trip Information and Registration form at www.wausaunordic.com in November

Lifetime Members: Remember to sign the membership form.
Thanks

“There will be NO Hot waxing in any Marathon County buildings per the County’s new policy” This means the Chalet and garage out at 9 Mile as well as the East Gate building (where the Swap is held) will not be available to do hot waxing/ironing on of wax. The club is presently working with the County to determine if a shed being brought to 9 Mile from Sylvan Hills could be equipped with venting fans placed over a designated wax area to accommodate skiers while keeping everyone safe from noxious fumes.

Trail Clean-Up scheduled for October 23rd . Time is 10 AM at 9 Mile. Help a good cause! Call John Howard 359-2812 if you have questions

**Adult Skier Education
Nights**

This Year the club will be offering two skier education nights. The dates for these events are January 19th and the 26th. Watch for details on the website and for email updates in January regarding content

Organizational Meeting for Night Gliders Sunday, October 16th (see program box)

Bulletin Board

Congratulations to our 2010-2011 Club Awards Recipients:

Dan and Barb Maguire received the Hans Berg Award for Outstanding Service to the Club. Community Service Awards went to the 9 Mile Groomers: Andy Hoppe, Steve Konkel, and Tim Baumann. Members recognized with Wausau Nordic Pace Setter Vests were: Linda Heeren, Bernie & Sally Wenzel, Ross Dreger, Lindsey Doede, and Ron Roloff. John & Beth Burke received an Honorarium for their donation of Timing and Dan Leider and Denny Helke were recognized for years of service on the Board.

BSG Replacement

Even though the “old” BSG has gone away – plans are in the works to have some type of replacement event in place this winter. Discussions are underway, but we do not have details at the time of this printing – Please stay tuned for future press releases.

Marathon County Ski Passes will be sold at the swap meet. Be prepared to provide a separate check or cash directly to Marathon County. Don’t forget, your club membership entitles you to a \$5 /10 discount!

The Board always welcomes additional working members. Contact any board member with your interest!



**Thank you
Ski Patrol!**

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WAUSAU NORDIC SKI CLUB

We, as Wausau Nordic Skiers, are volunteer-diverse people with a common interest in the sport of cross country skiing. We are both competitive racers and weekend social skiers - a complete spectrum of individuals consisting of families, singles, youths and seniors from all social spheres.

The Wausau Nordic Ski Club was formed in 1972 to establish, maintain and promote safe cross country skiing through projects contributing to growth and advancement of the sport.

Upcoming Ski Club Events

OCTOBER- Trail Clean-Up scheduled for Sunday October 23rd at 9 Mile from 10AM to 1PM Call John Howard 359-2812 if you have a question as to cancellation if rain.

NOVEMBER - Join the fun and excitement at the Ski Swap on Saturday, November 5th, at East Gate Hall at Marathon County Park. SEE SWAP ARTICLE FOR DETAILS!

DECEMBER – TUESDAY the 6th at 6 PM: Join us for our wonderful POTLUCK DINNER and overview of the season. Also SATURDAY the 10th is the annual bus trip to ABR – watch for email updates and registration form on our website.

JANUARY – No Formal Meeting, but check out the calendar for full month of events including the Snekkevik on the 14th and two Skier Education nights on the 19th & 26th.

FEBRUARY – Thursday the 16th 7PM; Chocolate night (program to be announced at a later date).

MARCH – (New) Taste on the Trails Newman/Marawood Fund Raiser on Sunday the 4th at noon with Night Glider Awards to follow. Tuesday the 13th 6 PM: Club Awards Night and end of season Potluck.