



Slopes & Trails

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From the President...

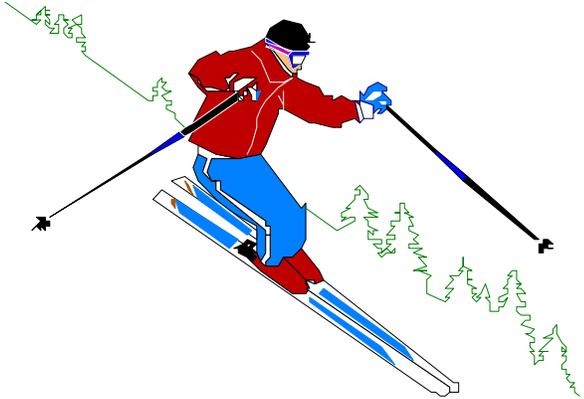
The November Meeting was active and fun. Mel Stiles, our in-house trainer and ski instructor, gave us the way to get fit to ski; now it's up to us to follow through. He gave a very informative, concise program on getting ready to ski with practical hints on exercising without expensive equipment. He brought exercise balls, slide trainers, and various other aids for his demonstration and for members to try. His handouts were really informative and good reminders to take home and follow-up. Many thanks to Mel for sharing his expertise. We followed up with some cider and granola bars and a little social time.

We again signed up a new family membership - always a good thing. Our trip sign-ups are doing well and the lodge is vastly improved after the fall work party. You will be very pleased with the new lower kitchen and it's spiffy wood floor, as well as the block ceramic tile floors in the WC's and shower rooms. Many thanks to Glenn Weisel for organizing and supervising; and to all those who participated on projects both inside and outside. We especially appreciate brand new member Terry McGinn, who stayed on for several days after everyone else had left - to finish those floors!



We are planning a Holiday Social with a little community service thrown in for the December 6 meeting. Bring your significant other for wine, cheese, cookies and conversation. Also, if you can, bring either an unwrapped toy for "Toys for Tots," or a food item we can donate to a Chester homeless food program. Hope everyone enjoys their Thanksgiving with family and friends but keep in mind "Fit to Ski" when tempted with second helpings and more dessert! Hope to see you at the December Meeting.

Jack Schmader, President



The deadline for articles for the Slopes and Trails is the 15th of the month. Send submissions to:
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If you would like a copy of the monthly newsletter, please contact Bill Raney at 610-293-9571 to be placed on the mailing list, or check the web site.

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MEMBERSHIP

BRSC is an outdoor club for people of all ages who enjoy companionship in outdoor activities.

For a membership application and procedure for joining, contact:
 Sally Lewis, Membership Chairman
 1009 Main Street
 Upland, PA 19015-3001
 610-876-7334

Annual Dues: \$20 Individual / \$23 Family

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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 4 Anser Lane
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REGULAR MEETINGS ARE THE FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH AT MASONIC HALL ON RT 320, SPRINGFIELD (DELAWARE CO.) PA. NO MEETING IN JAN, JUNE, JULY, OR AUGUST.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

DECEMBER PROGRAM - WINE & CHEESE SOCIAL

December 6 – Come out & mingle before the ski season gets underway! We are planning a Holiday Social with a little community service thrown in for the December 6 meeting. Bring your significant other for wine, cheese, cookies and conversation. Also, if you can, bring either an unwrapped toy for "Toys for Tots," or a food item we can donate to a Chester homeless food program. Remember, there will be no meeting in January, so the first meeting for 2007 will be February 7.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES & TRIP REPORTS

HIKING

Look for the short hike schedule to resume in the spring with milder weather.

Folks using the lodge are reminded to take advantage of the numerous nearby hiking opportunities at any time of year.



Last of the fall colors

At this year's lodge work party, a quick hike to Hamilton Falls provided an enjoyable diversion from our labors and a chance to take in the last of the fall colors.

Hamilton Falls is part of Jamaica State Park, about 15 miles north of the lodge on Rte 100 and just east of the town of Jamaica.

A well maintained trail starts on an old rail trail along the West River, then branches north along Cobb

Brook to the falls. Round trip from the park is about 6 miles, and except for the last short steep section to the base of the falls is suitable for XC skis. A fine hike in any season!

Mike Fernandez



Hamilton Falls

BICYCLING

The biking schedule is done for the year. Looking ahead, Marv and Keith Richards will be moving out of the area and the club will be in need of a new biking chair for the spring season. Contact her or a club officer if you are interested in the position.

Marv has provided an nice re-cap of one of the more interesting Chincoteague trips this year; her complete report is on page 10.

CANOEING

ROLLING PRACTICE STARTING AT ST JOE'S POOL

The Philadelphia Canoe Club is starting rolling training sessions for whitewater boats at St Joseph's University pool on Sunday mornings from 8.30 to 11.30 am. There will be three sessions in December on Dec 3, 10, and 17. Sessions will resume on every Sunday starting in January and will continue until the end of March. A session can be cancelled at any time is there is a pool operation problem or the University has an unscheduled need for the pool.

Please see the PCC website at www.philacanoer.org for the complete schedule along with details on safety instruction, location, directions, pool rules, ACA waiver,

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Rolling Practice (Continued from page 3)

boat inspection, clothing, lessons, borrowing equipment, fees, and any last minute schedule changes. Contact Rosemary Rau, PCC pool ranger at 215-743-6938 or rosemaryrau@comcast.net if there are any questions.

Dan Jones

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SKIING

Ski trips are filling fast—Alyeska should be full, but there is still room left for Jay Peak and Sugarloaf. See page 6 for the complete Buck Ridge ski schedule. You may note that the Eastern PA Ski Council Winter Carnival and the Council Cup race (February 25 at Blue Mountain) are missing from the BRSC schedule this year. The Winter Carnival is still on for Jay Peak on January 24 thru 28. These dates conflict with several other BRSC trips, and we will also be running our full week trip to Jay later in the season. Members can still attend these functions by signing up with another club or with the EPSC meltingpot group. More details below, or look for information in the EPSC Snow Drifts.



Ski Council News

EPSC is once again providing ski club members with the opportunity for dramatic discounts when purchasing vouchers for participating ski areas. The order form on page 5 must be used when ordering ticket vouchers. Orders can be placed with Ken Foster any time during the ski season. Please plan ahead and call him should you have any questions, (215)822-1413 or E-Mail skierzz@comcast.net. Most tickets are returnable at the end of the ski season (April 1, 2007). This makes EPSC vouchers a terrific value - you can't lose!

NOTE: Montage Mtn. Is now SNO mtn.

Blue Mountain tickets are dated and good for two years.

New England area vouchers: You may return only 10% of your purchase for CREDIT next ski season. For Example: If you purchased 20 vouchers @ \$36 = \$720.00 you may only return 2 vouchers equaling \$72.00. Please plan ahead and if you have vouchers you are not able to use, return them to Ken asap, and he may be able to resell them for you.

Ticket voucher order forms should be forwarded to Ken at the address on the form. Please be advised, vouchers may be purchased by EPSC Members Only.

Please remember - Any unused vouchers which cannot be used next year, must be returned to Ken NO LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2007 **Think Snow!!**

EPSC WINTER CARNIVAL



A number of EPSC clubs are running their own bus trips up to the Carnival this year (KOP, Flying Dutchmen, All Seasons, etc.) as part of our overall council trip package. For any members of clubs who are not running their own bus up but want to participate, there are a few options. Your members can either hook up with one of the clubs who are running their own bus to the Carnival **OR** they can join the trip on the EPSC Melting Pot Bus which we will be running for individuals from any EPSC club.

If your members want to go with one of the participating ski clubs, they can either contact the trip leader from that club as listed below for the details or they can contact me and I can try to help them get in touch.

King of Prussia Ski Club: Jeri Hoyt 484-716-0786 jeryl.hoyt@verizon.net

Flying Dutchmen Ski Club: Kevin Claypoole 610-285-6945 (claypoolemathes@netzero.net)

All Seasons Ski Club: Cal Miller 609-628-1851 (maxfrisk@yahoo.com)

If they would prefer to go up on the EPSC Melting Pot Bus, they can contact me at the following:

EPSC Melting Pot Bus Dave Schoneker 215-822-2129 DSchoneker@aol.com

For information on each of the clubs's specific package details and prices, please see their websites. Additionally, there is lots of information on the EPSC web site concerning the EPSC Melting Pot Bus trip specifics. This information can be reached at the Eastern Pennsylvania Ski Council web site: www.easternpaskicouncil.org/

The individual documents which you will want to read are found at the following sites:

EPSC Melting Pot Trip Flyer & Itinerary:

<http://www.easternpaskicouncil.org/Trip/pdf/EPSC%20JayPeakCarnival07Flyer.pdf>

EPSC Melting Pot Trip Application:

<http://www.easternpaskicouncil.org/Trip/pdf/EPSCTriipAppCarn07.pdf>

EPSC hopes for this year's Carnival to be another great success like every one has been for 15 years!! Did you know that we will be celebrating the EPSC Winter Carnival's **15th Anniversary** this year on the trip? It should be a great time!! The skiing at Jay Peak is excellent and they usually have really good snow.



EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA SKI COUNCIL
Prepaid Voucher Order Form
2006-2007 Discount Lift Tickets

Club Name: _____ Date: _____

Mail tickets to _____

Address: _____

Phone: Day _____ Evening _____

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

* Indicates returned vouchers will receive credit for next ski season. Note: Blue Mountain vouchers may be retained until expiration date on voucher. (2 Years) Always be prepared to show ID. Make checks payable to Eastern Pa Ski Council and mail order form with check to: Ken Foster

163 New Jersey Avenue
 Chalfont, PA 18914-3003

Phone: 215-822-1413

Office Use Only:

Date Sent: _____

Check # _____

NOTICE: Please remember any unused vouchers which cannot be used next ski season must be returned to me NLT April 1, 2007

AREA	TICKET TYPE	QTY	PRICE	TOTAL\$
Big Two	Regular Adult Daily / Midweek (19 +)		\$31.00	
Big Two	Student/Youth (Ages 7-18) Anytime		\$28.00	
Big Two	Night Ticket (4pm to Close)		\$21.00	
Big Two	Weekend - Reg Adult		\$36.00	
Blue Mountain	Weekday (Full day/Twilight)		\$29.00	
Blue Mountain	Weekend		\$37.00	
Blue Mountain	Weekday Night		\$20.00	
Elk Mountain	Weekday (Non-Holiday)		\$32.00	
Elk Mountain	Weekend (Sat & Holidays)		\$40.00	
SNO Mtn.	Weekday		\$29.00	
SNO Mtn.	Weekend		\$39.00	
Bear Creek	Weekday (all day)		\$21.00	
Bear Creek	Weekend/ Holiday (all day)		\$34.00	
Bear Creek	Evening 4pm-10pm		\$16.00	
Spring Mtn.	Weekday		\$19.00	
Spring Mtn.	Weekend /Holiday		\$29.00	
Spring Mtn.	Night		\$16.00	
Camelback Mtn.	Discounted Rate Coupon, Pay at window			NO CHARGE
Camelback Mtn.	Midweek/Non-Holiday Open to Close		\$30.00	
Camelback Mtn.	Weekend/Holiday Open to Close		\$44.00	
Camelback Mtn.	Night Seven nights a week		\$21.00	
Bromley *	Adult anytime 13& up		\$35.00	
Bromley *	Jr. 6-12 ANYTIME		\$27.00	
Gore/Whiteface*	Adult ANYTIME		\$44.00	
Killington*	Adult ANYTIME		\$47.00	
Pico*	Adult ANYTIME		\$35.00	
Okemo*	Adult 19-64 ANYTIME		\$51.00	
Okemo*	YOUNG ADULT/SENIOR 13-18 or 65-69 ANYTIME		\$44.00	
Okemo*	JUNIOR/SUPER SENIOR 7-12 or 70+ ANYTIME		\$33.00	
Sugarbush*	ANYTIME - - Go right to the lift line ticket		\$40.00	
Stratton *	Adult ANYTIME		\$48.00	
Jay Peak*	Ages 6-18 ANYTIME		\$34.00	
Jay Peak*	Adult ANYTIME		\$38.00	

WORK PARTY REPORT

A good turnout for this year's lodge work party the weekend of October 21 saw a lot of tasks get completed, although it seems there is always something more to do! Folks arrived early and stayed late, with Terry McGinn staying on through the following week and putting his carpentry skills to good use. Joe Sheffer kept the group well fed through the weekend, with ample leftovers for those staying on.

In addition to the seemingly endless list of items to be cleaned and replaced, the lower kitchen area saw a lot of work. Among the jobs completed (or at least started!) were painting of the lower kitchen and upstairs hallway, new laminate flooring and cabinetry in the lower kitchen, and the start of ceramic tiled flooring in the showers and bathrooms.

Outside, new skirting was started around the foundation and there was general brush and debris cleanup, with a couple of dump runs tossed in for good measure. As much as is accomplished, it seems there is always more to do... consider coming out for next years' work weekend!



Top right:: new laminate flooring in the lower kitchen
Above: ceramic tiling with new cabinetry (and Corian threshold!) in lower bathroom.

Woodbridge Lodge

Lost and Found from 2006 Season

The following items were left at the Lodge during the previous ski season. Please check the list if you were at the lodge. Call Mel Stiles at 856-478-4621 to arrange for pick-up or to have them brought to a BRSC meeting. Items not claimed within 60 days of this notice will either be donated to a charity or disposed of depending on condition of the article.

Items:

1. Black Burton snowboard bag with backpack straps.
2. Red Burton snowboard bag with backpack straps.
3. Black Burton snowboard pants size XL w/Mt Snow lift ticket attached.
4. Black High Sierra boot bag (lip balm-on-a-string inside)
5. Pair of men's canvas khaki pants size 34X30.
6. Women's Banana Republic blue jeans size 4.
7. Women's Tan Gap corduroy jeans size 2.
8. Black and red gym shorts size medium or large w/#3 on them.
9. Navy Blue poly fleece 1/2 zipper pullover w/"Vermont" embroidery.
10. Navy blue Patagonia poly top 1/2 snaps pullover XXL.
11. Olive green poly fleece scarf
12. Gray plaid Focus 2000 women's petite slacks.
13. Maroon, poly fleece balaclava w/navy blue piping.
14. Black poly fleece pullover hat.
15. Two pair of poly fleece glove liners, blue and black, in plastic bag.
16. Brown tint clip on sunglasses with copper color frames.
17. Two silver ear rings (pierced) with hanging orange and bronze balls.

BUCK RIDGE SKI SCHEDULE 2006-2007

Chairman: Dan Aronson – 610-643-1608
Co-Chairman: Rudy Pittelli – 610-363-7093

				* DEPOSITS	
DATE	TRIP NAME	LOCATION	LEADER	MEMBERS	GUESTS
Dec 8-10 Fri-Sun	Hunt for Snow I	Vermont Lodge	Dan Aronson 215-643-1608	\$30	\$40
Jan 5-7 Fri-Sun	January Junket	Vermont Lodge	Keith Richards 610-566-9563	\$30	\$40
Jan 19-24 Fri-Wed	Northern Vermont Trip	Bolton Valley, Stowe, & Mad River Glen	Mel Stiles & Dan Aronson 856-478-4621 215-643-1608	See Flyer	
Jan 28-Feb 2 Sun-Sat	Sugarloaf Mid Week	Sugarloaf, ME	Glenn Weisel 215-822-9459	See Flyer	
Feb 4-9 Sun-Fri	Mid Week	Vermont Lodge	Mel Stiles 856-478-4621	\$75	\$100
Feb 15-19 Thur-Mon	Family Weekend	Vermont Lodge	Claire Lozowicki 215-481-0306	\$60	\$80
Feb 23-25 Fri-Sun	Paddlers' Weekend	Vermont Lodge	Lev Barinov 610-668-8996	\$30	\$40
Feb 25- Mar 3, Sun-Sat	Jay Peak Mid Week	Jay Peak, VT	Glenn Weisel 215-822-9459	See Flyer	
Mar 17-24 Sat-Sat	Alyeska Ski Trip	Gridwood, AK	Sally Lewis 610-876-7334	See Flyer	
Mar 30- Apr 1, Fri-Sun	Hunt for Snow II	Vermont Lodge	Dan Aronson 215-643-1608	\$30	\$40

**Woodbridge Lodge
2006—2007 Season**

 Member's Rate:
Guest Rate:

**\$ 15.00 Per Night
\$ 20.00 Per Night**

*To sign up for ski trips, please send a (signed) release form to the trip leader along with your registration form and deposit for each Buck Ridge ski trip. * NOTE: Above deposits are based on the lodge fee times the maximum number of days in the trip. Please adjust (increase or decrease) deposit to account for the number nights that you will be staying at the lodge. No deposit required for children six years of age and under, but the trip leader needs to know his/her name.*

REGISTRATION FORM

TRIP NAME:

DATE OF TRIP:

NAME(S):

ADDRESS:

TELEPHONE #:

OPTIONAL: Please indicate your roommate preference(s):

RELEASE FORM

In consideration of the benefits derived by me from membership in the Buck Ridge Ski Club and the use of its facilities, I release said club and its members from all responsibility on account of personal injury to me or my minor children, or damage to my personal property which may occur by reason of my/our participation in the activities of the club.

SIGNATURE(S):

DATE:

SPOUSE (or Guardian) SIGNATURE:



Ski Sugarloaf USA – Carabassett Valley, ME January 28 – February 2 , 2007

With Buck Ridge Ski Club & Friends

2 Bedroom – 4 adults, 3 bedroom – 6 adults, 4 bedroom – 8 adults -- all 325.00 per person

Includes lodging in slopeside condos Sunday through Thursday night, 5 FULL DAY Mon-Fri lift ticket to Sugarloaf USA, daily adult ski or snowboard lessons age 19 and above (never evers excluded), and use of Sugartree Sports and Fitness Center, all for \$325.00 per person

Full payment due by 11/30/06, after 12/15/06 payment is \$355.00. Full refund in event of cancellation before Dec 15; Dec 16-Jan 4 \$25.00 refund; no refunds after Jan 5, 2007.

When placing your reservations, please try to book full condos when possible although individual reservations will be accepted and you will be placed as room is available.

Sugarloaf Registration - Buck Ridge Ski Club

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Emergency contact _____

CONDO PREFERENCE (circle one): 2 BR 3BR 4BR NO PREF. / ANYWHERE

Sharing condo with _____

Sugarloaf Waiver / Release Form

In consideration of the benefits derived by me from membership in the Buck Ridge Ski Club and the use of its facilities , I release said club and its members from all responsibility on account of personal injury to me or my minor children, or damage to my personal property which may occur by reason of my/our participation in the activities of the club. I further understand that this is a drive yourself trip and any traffic violations, citations, or accidents resulting in damages to my vehicle and equipment will be my full responsibility under my personal auto insurance carrier.

Signature/date _____

Please complete this form, make all checks payable to BUCK RIDGE SKI CLUB, and send to:

Glenn Weisel 28 East Hillcrest Ave. Chalfont, PA 18914-2717

Home/office 215-822-9459, fax 215-822-9249, cell 215-534-6364



JAY PEAK
SUNDAY FEB. 25 – SATURDAY MARCH 3 , 2007

Buck Ridge Ski Club members will welcome new members and old friends from Buck Ridge and other Eastern Pennsylvania Ski Council reciprocal clubs at the main concourse of the 30th St Amtrak Station in Philadelphia at 8:45 AM on Sunday morning February 25, 2007. We will meet at the red cap station where our luggage will be transported to the train by the red caps. Our departure time is 9:20 AM in Philadelphia on train 54 with an estimated arrival in St Albans of 9:25 PM . Upon arrival in St Albans, VT, we will be transported to Jay Peak via Jay Peak courtesy vans operated by our Jay Peak reps and associates. You will check into your double occupancy rooms in Hotel Jay upon arrival. This year all of our rooms are conveniently located in Hotel Jay. You will enjoy a buffet breakfast in Hotel Jay Monday thru Friday, and a buffet dinner on Wednesday evening. Dinner on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday will be your choice from the extensive menu. Our group will choose a time to meet in the Hotel Jay dining room each night for dinner. On Monday morning, you will break into ability groups and head off to the mountain with your famous Jay Peak instructors. This daily group lesson is included with all ADULT packages. Jay Peak schedules many evening events, i.e. the famous Monday night welcome party, snow cat rides, slope-side bonfire, and ski school graduation - a lot of fun for all! We will meet approx 6:00 AM Saturday morning in the Hotel Jay dining room for a quick continental breakfast, and depart for St Albans via Jay Peak vans at approx 7:00 AM . Our Amtrak train 57 is scheduled to depart St Albans 8:30 AM Saturday morning on route to PHL with an estimated arrival time in Philadelphia of 8:19 PM.

NEW RATES FOR 2007 ---- ALL INCLUDE TRANSPORTATION, MEALS, and HOTEL JAY LODGING

ADULT PACKAGES include daily lessons and 5 day lift ticket ----- \$ 725.00

SENIOR PACKAGES (65 and over) ----- \$ 625.00
(lift tickets available on a daily basis of 15.00)

Baggage, Jay Peak Transfer, and Hotel Jay gratuities included. Traditionally, voluntary ski instructor tips are paid at the graduation party @ suggested \$5.00 per day.

THIS YEAR , PACKAGES WITH TRAIN DELETED WILL ONLY BE SOLD AFTER THE FIRST 20 FULL PACKAGES ARE SECURED.

Deposit of \$125.00 due October 6, 2nd payment of \$300.00 due November 15, and balance due January 12 , 2007

Please make all checks payable to BUCK RIDGE SKI CLUB and send to:

Glenn Weisel, 28 East Hillcrest Ave., Chalfont, PA 18914-2717

Home/office 215-822-9459, fax 215-822-9249, cell 215-534-6364, email: glennskisail@enter.net

Jay Peak Registration - Buck Ridge Ski Club

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Emergency contact _____

Sharing room with _____

CHINCOTEAGUE ADVENTURE

As we started out for the Chincoteague weekend we knew the weather forecast was not favorable. It had been raining and was expected to rain through Saturday with thunder showers expected. Although I had mixed feelings, we decided to stay in a motel at the last minute. We have been coming to Chincoteague for about 40 years and this would be the first time we stayed in a motel! We always camped except for a few times when we rented a cottage. It rained all the way down and was rather windy.

When we got to the causeway, it was different than we had ever seen it. Usually there is marsh grass on both sides of the road with some water around. This time the water was high covering most of the grass and right up to the sides of the road. In places water was splashing over the road.

We checked into the motel and then went to AJ's to meet the rest of the group for dinner. (That's AJ's on the Creek). The parking lot was full, so we parked right in front of the door. Most of the group came and we proceeded with dinner. We had 8 people out of a possible 11; there were Mel and Betty Stiles, Kathleen and John James, Maureen McMahan, and the Richards - Keith, Marvelene, and Katharine. The campers were conspicuously missing. Partway through dinner, the word got around that the parking lot was flooded and the creek was continuing to rise. Several people decided to move their cars to higher ground. Everybody got to talking and checking the situation. What we had here was a Northeaster, a full moon and an extremely high tide. We heard the causeway was now closed. When we left the restaurant, there was a foot of water in the parking lot and a dead fish on the doorstep. We took off our shoes, rolled up our pants and waded out to the car. It had stopped raining but the wind was gusting to 50 mph.

We also discovered the oyster festival had been postponed (for the first time ever) until Sunday afternoon 12 - 6. It seemed that they couldn't set up because their tents kept blowing down. I felt better already about staying in a motel.

Everyone's plans got rearranged. Mel and Betty had other plans for Sunday so they left Saturday after determining that the causeway was open. Minutes after Mel left, we ran into Ken Weller who had driven down early Saturday morning. He got a motel room and joined us for a day and a half, but couldn't stay until Sunday afternoon - something about Eagles.

Keith and I took an early morning drive to Assateague to check the area out. Of course the water was high over there too - running over the road in places. We flushed seagulls off the road where they were picking breakfast out of the seaweed debris. We saw Seika deer by the road and birds everywhere - displaced by the high water levels. The road was closed at the beach and we could see ocean waves breaking where it is normally hidden from view.

After breakfast Keith (dressed in a rainsuit) walked the beach and took pictures with the wind blowing water and sand around. It was still too windy and possibly too rainy to bicycle. The rest of us walked the trail to the lighthouse and the woodland trail and checked out exhibits at the wildlife refuge visitor's center. After lunch we all took the safari bus trip north through the wildlife refuge. It lasted about 2 hours and we saw flocks of turkeys, ducks, geese, egrets, Great Blue Heron, Belted Kingfisher, Peregrine Falcon, Bald Eagle, Seika and

White tailed Deer and Chincoteague Ponies.



By Saturday afternoon a few bicyclists were venturing out and 3 of us decided to bicycle. We rode from our motel out to Assateague, around wildlife drive and to the beach. We were fighting the wind about 2/3 of the time. We ate dinner at Steamers Saturday night and then checked out the nightlife.

Sunday morning found us bicycling around Chincoteague after breakfast. Things seemed to be getting back to normal but the morning high tide was still threatening low areas and residual pools were here and there in yards.

We packed up and checked out of our motels and went to get in line for entrance into the oyster festival. We found a picnic table that was not in standing water and set up our area. The sun was out most of the time and the temperature was 70. There was live music. The oyster were being prepared and served as fast as the festival volunteers could manage. Approximately 2000 people tramped through the grass, mud, and water to get their oysters, which were served raw, steamed, single fried and fritters. (The fritters were especially good.) There was also clam chowder, cooked crabs, hot dogs, hush puppies, coleslaw, potato salad, and drinks. A good time was had by all.



- Marvelene Richards

WOODBIDGE LODGE – RESERVATION FORM

Note: Ski season reservations may only be made after October 1.

WOODBIDGE LODGE USAGE RATES (rev. 7/2004)

Season	Nov 1 – Apr 30	May 1 – Oct 31
Members	\$15.00	\$7.50
Guests	\$20.00	\$10.00

Rates are the same on weekends and weekdays. Children 6 and under are free.

Member's Name	Date: (nights)	COST
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		

TOTAL: _____

GUESTS are welcome when accompanied by a member. Maximum three (3) guests per member.
Inviting member is responsible for guests complying with the Lodge rules and regulations.

Guest's Name	Accompanying Member	Dates: (nights)	COST
1.			
2.			
3.			

TOTAL: _____

Name, phone number, or Email where you can be reached:

Make checks payable to BUCK RIDGE SKI CLUB LODGE. Mail reservation form and payment to:

Joan Strachota, 114 Maple Rd, Wallingford, PA 19086

Key Deposit - \$75. Issue a **SEPARATE CHECK** and send with reservation form & payment.

- Enclosed is my check for \$75. I understand that this key is due back **within 2 weeks after my planned trip** or my deposit check will be cashed. My check will also be cashed if key is lost in the mail.

Signed: _____

Any questions, email jstrachota@comcast.net

RESERVATIONS will be CONFIRMED after payment In full is received.

PLEASE USE THIS FORM FOR ALL RESERVATION REQUESTS

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