



Slopes & Trails

June 2016

www.buckridgeskiclub.org

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Our scheduled meetings are done for the summer, but don't forget the summer board meeting and picnic - details below. See you in September! Send any ideas for programs to MaryAnn Thomas (mathomas476@gmail.com)

CLUB NEWS AND NOTES

Our April meeting featured a presentation by staff from EMS-Exton on recreational kayaks. Designed for fishing or casual paddling on lakes or flat water, they are a good way to get outside and enjoy nature. Next time you are at EMS stop in and check out their selection.



Summer Board Meeting & Picnic

Save the date!
Our Summer Board Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, July 30, rain or shine!

Where: Mary Ann Popma's house, 1037 Warren Road, West Chester PA. Google for directions!

Who: All members are welcome to attend. Bring a dish to share, but contact John Theodore so we can plan food. Email johntheo9@yahoo.com or phone 610-623-3737.

What: The Board meeting will be from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm, preceded by activities and followed with a picnic. Board members will be notified of the proposed meeting agenda prior to the meeting.

Activities: Weather permitting lawn bowling, darts, and swimming - **don't forget your suit!**



LATE BREAKING NEWS

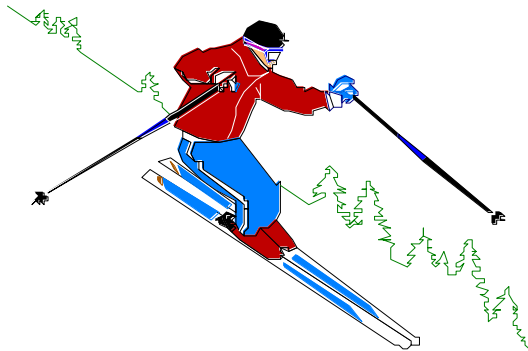
We received notice of the passing of long-time member Fred Mack at age 105. A "Celebration of Life" will be held at the American Helicopter Museum in West Chester, where Fred was a long-time volunteer, at 4 pm on May 22. Fred had sky-dived on his 95th & 100th birthdays and was planning for 105! One of his stained glass windows hangs in the Lodge. RIP Fred.

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

Deadline for articles for the Slopes and Trails is the 15th of the month. Send submissions to:

Mike Fernandez
1118 Kings Highway
Swedesboro, NJ 08085
Phone: 609-254-8461
Email: amf.snj@gmail.com

For a paper copy of the newsletter, please call or email to be placed on the mailing list, or download from the web site.



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WOODBRI DGE LODGE

Lodge Reservation Chair

Lydia Hill, 1701 School House Lane, Ambler, PA 19002 Ph: 215-760-3322 / eMail: brsc_lodge_lmh@comcast.net

Lodge Telephone Number 802-464-6591

Only if you have been repeatedly unsuccessful contacting the reservation chair, or have a problem opening the lodge door, should you contact the following people:

Mike Fernandez 609-254-8461 / Darcy Canu (978-314-1882)

MEMBERSHIP

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

For a membership application and procedures for joining, visit our website (www.buckridgeskiclub.org) or contact:

Linda Bailey, Membership Chair

Ph: 610-789-6823 / email: lbailey1@verizon.net

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

If you are moving or changing your email address and want to keep *Slopes & Trails* in your mailbox or inbox, please notify

Mike Fernandez or Linda Bailey using contact information on this page.

REGULAR MEETINGS ARE THE SECOND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH, 8 pm AT SPRING VALLEY HALL (former Springfield Masonic Hall) on RT 420, SPRINGFIELD (DELAWARE CO.) PA. NO MEETING IN JUNE, JULY, OR AUGUST.

ACTIVITIES & TRIPS



SKIING

Its never too late to start planning for next ski season! Mount Snow is now offering season passes that include access to Jack Frost in PA, Hunter in NY, and Attitash and Wildcat in NH. There is also the MAX pass that includes 5 days of skiing at 25 mountains throughout the country, including three (Stratton, Killington, and Pico) that are convenient to our Woodbridge Lodge. The MAX pass also includes Loon in NH, Sunday River and Sugarloaf in ME, Snowshoe in WV, Copper, Steamboat, and Winter Park in CO, Brighton and Solitude in UT, and more. Sounds like a good way to plan your season! To start your planning, here's a head start on next season:

Park City: Buck Ridge will return to Park City, Utah from Sunday Feb 26 thru Saturday March 4 2017 to sample the combined terrain of Park City and Canyons, which have been combined into one resort sprawling over 7300 acres. We will be staying at the newly renovated Doubletree, formerly the Yarrow Hotel. Details and sign-up are on page 6.

Lake Placid: **Next year's EPSC Winter Carnival will be held January 26-29 2017 in Lake Placid, NY.** Lodging will be at the Hotel Northwood, overlooking beautiful Mirror Lake in downtown Lake Placid. Your lift ticket may be used at Whiteface or Gore. The trip will feature a welcome party on Friday night will feature skating at the Olympic Oval, and a group dinner and dance on Saturday night. Discounts will be available at all the Olympic venues in and around town. Buck Ridge will not be sponsoring a bus to the Carnival but members may join with other clubs or the EPSC melting pot. If you have never **been to Lake Placid, you're missing one of the best towns for winter activity in America!** More details will be available in September, or check the EPSC web site.



Spring Hikes are winding down - still time to get one in!



HIKING

2016 SPRING SHORT HIKE SCHEDULE

BRSC Thursday hikes are winding down - come out for our last ones! Rain cancels; please call if in doubt. The normal meeting place is at Granite Run Mall, Route 1 entrance traffic light, next to the McDonalds Restaurant. Drive in the entrance and park on the back side of the curb in the mall lot. Please call if you will not be meeting at the Mall. Meeting time is 9:15 to arrange car pools and parking, leaving promptly at 9:30am. Please bring lunch, dress in layers w/ small backpack and \$ for driver(s). Hikes are approximately 5 miles and easy to moderate in difficulty. Consider wearing comfortable hiking shoes and bringing extra shoes since some hikes can be muddy.

May 26 Wolf Hollow Co. Park (Chester Co)

June 2 Bonner Park

Questions / concerns? Mel Stiles phone: 609-230-5046;
Email: melstiles435@comcast.net



PADDLING

July 31: Lotus Love



An easy paddle in the marshes of Mannington Creek outside Salem, NJ to see the stunning display of American Lotus flowers.

We won't cover a lot of distance, but plan to spend several hours taking pictures. Bring plenty of water and sunscreen. **PARKING IS LIMITED.** Email Mike Fernandez (amf22000@yahoo.com) for additional info and directions.

August 20: Summer Retreat at the Lodge

Join us for a summer get-a-way paddling or just relaxing in Vermont! Stay for the weekend or longer. Bring a kayak or canoe and plan on some flatwater paddling at Grout Pond and Harriman Reservoir, or on the West River above Brattleboro for some easy moving water that usually stays high enough for paddling though the summer.

Not a paddler? There's plenty of hiking around. The summit of Stratton Mountain or Stratton Pond, located on the Appalachian / Long Trail with a trailhead just minutes from the Lodge, make good day hike destinations. There is also an extensive trail system on Putney Hill / Windham Ridge, located about 15 miles east of the Lodge. Or for something a little more relaxing head for a waterfall - Pike Falls, Lye Brook Falls, and Hamilton Falls are all fairly close by.

Lower summer lodge rates are in effect! Plan on a group dinner Saturday night. Contact Mike Fernandez with any questions (amf22000@yahoo.com).

SUMMERTIME... ITS MORE BETTER IN VERMONT!!

Plan a trip to the Woodbridge Lodge this summer to attend one of southern Vermont's many summer festivals and take advantage of the cooler weather!
Here's a sampling of some events convenient to the Lodge.

Museums

Brattleboro Museum and Art Center
10 Vernon Street, Brattleboro, VT
www.brattleboromuseum.org/

Some of the finest local artists have exhibits at this eclectic art museum. Exhibits change with the seasons.

Bennington Museum

Rt 9 west of downtown Bennington

Showcases the creativity of Vermont in all its forms throughout its history, the museum houses diverse collections reflecting the history of early Vermont and historically associated areas of New York and Massachusetts, including a large Grandma Moses collection.

June through October: 7 days a week from 10 am to 5 pm
www.benningtonmuseum.org/

Massachusetts Museum of Contemporary Art (MassMoCA)
1040 MASS MoCA Way, North Adams MA

A stunning exhibit and performance space on the grounds of a sprawling former industrial complex. Located about 30 miles south of Wilmington in Massachusetts, its well worth a visit any time. Check the web site - www.massmoca.org/ - for current exhibition and performance schedules.

Festivals

Strolling of the Heifers
June 3-4-5, 2016

Events throughout Brattleboro all weekend, highlighted by the grand Strolling of the Heifers Parade at 10 am sharp, Saturday June 4. Its like Pamplona but with heifers - a one of a kind event!

www.strollingoftheheifers.com/our-parade-and-weekend/



Strolling of the Heifers



Roots on the River
Thurs June 2 - Sunday June 5
Come out to hear some of the best Roots & Americana music at various venues in and around Bellows Falls, ending with a Sunday concert at the beautiful Rockingham Meeting House. One of the regions best music events!
www.vermontfestivalsllc.com/roots-on-the-river-2016

37th Annual Quechee Hot Air Balloon
Craft and Music Festival
June 17th, 18th, 19th, 2016

The skies over Quechee and the Upper Valley of Vermont will be filled with hot air balloons ushering in the annual Quechee Hot Air Balloon, Craft & Music Festival, the longest running hot air balloon festival in New England. Up to 20 hot air balloons with five flights scheduled throughout the festival and additional tethered rides during the day. Enjoy continuous music and entertainment for all ages, and over 60 craft artisans and commercial vendors. Festival food with local healthy options, a beer and wine garden, and more.

Location: 70 Village Green Circle, Quechee Vermont
More info: www.quecheeballoonfestival.com/

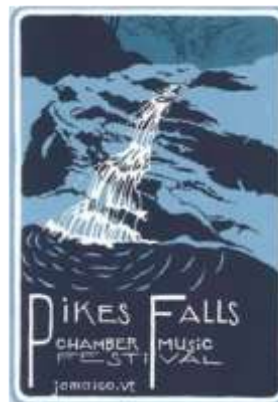


Vermont Blueberry Festival
07/29/16 - 08/07/16

The annual nine-day festival celebrating all things blueberry, with events throughout the Deerfield Valley area including a blueberry slip & slide, parade, craft fair, classic cars, block party and lakeside dining. Info: www.vermontblueberry.com



Pikes Falls Chamber Music Festival
Music and Art in the Foothills of the Green Mountains
July 28-August 6



This summer marks the 5th season of Pikes Falls Chamber Music Festival, based in Jamaica, VT, between July 28th and August 6th. Concerts are held at various locations in southern Vermont including Jamaica State Park (July 28 and August 4 at 6PM), the historic Latchis Theater in Brattleboro (July 29 and August 5 at 4PM), and at the Jamaica Town Hall on July 30 and August 6 at 7PM. Pre-concert discussions will be led by the conduc-

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tor and composer-in-residence 45 minutes before each Town Hall concert, with reception to follow. All concerts are free, but donations are accepted. Complete details on the **Dates and Events page of the festival's website:** www.pikesfallschambermusicfestival.com.

66th Marlboro Music Festival Season
July 16th – August 14th, 2016

One of the premier classical music festivals, held on the campus of Marlboro College in Marlboro, Vermont.

Public concerts are presented on Saturday evenings at 8 pm and Sunday afternoons at 2.30 pm from July 16—August 14, 2016, and on Friday evenings at 8 pm August 5 and August 12.

The programs will be selected from the works of 60 to 80 student groups in rehearsal at any one time; only one quarter of the more than 250 works explored during the summer can be included. As a result of this dynamic scheduling process, concert repertoire or personnel is not known more than a week in advance. Yet the performances provide exciting musical discoveries and represent the joyous spirit and dedication to excellence of the entire Marlboro Music community. Ticket prices range from \$15 to \$37.50 and can sell out quickly.

Order online at marlboromusic.org or by phone at 215-569-4690 (before June 14) or 802-254-2394 (after June 21).



22nd Annual Mount Snow Brewers Festival
Saturday September 3 - Sunday September 4

The Mount Snow Brewers Festival has become one of the premier events of its kind in the Northeast. There are expected to be nearly 50 different breweries on-hand pouring their beers and ciders from 90+ different taps. As always, there will be tons of great food options on the festival grounds and live music on-stage throughout the event. For more details go to:

www.mountsnow.com/events/calendar/22nd-annual-mount-snow-brewers-festival/



9th Annual Vermont Wine & Harvest Festival
Friday-Sunday,
September 16-26, 2016

The 2016 Festival has attracted winemakers from 15 Vermont vineyards, several spirits distillers, and many unique marketplace exhibitors from the four corners of Vermont. The weekend kicks off with a preview tasting event in Wilmington on the first evening, followed by two full days of tastings, food, dinners, wine parties, breakfast, and live entertainment, along with opportunities for arts, shopping, sightseeing and outdoor recreation within the venues throughout the Deerfield Valley from Wilmington to Mount Snow. Info and tickets at : www.thevermontfestival.com/festival-info/



38th Annual Southern Vermont Art and Craft Festival
Aug 5 - Aug 7, 2016

Camelot Village, 66 Colgate Heights, Bennington (Rt 9 west of Bennington)

A wonderful weekend in Bennington! Juried fine art and craft exhibitors line the outdoor paths and fill the soaring white tents with a wide variety of expertly handcrafted creations. Specialty foods and spirits are in a separate section. Also find wine, beer, and great food to eat while you enjoy the live music and roaming entertainment! More info at:

www.craftproducers.com/festivals/38th-annual-southern-vermont-art-and-craft-festival/

VERMONT STINKS!
September 3rd and 4th 2016

Join garlic-lovers from throughout New England as they come to sample food and crafts from hundreds of different vendors, all made from -you guessed it - garlic and herbs! Just 1.5 miles west of the downtown Bennington Vermont at Camelot Village on VT Rte 9.

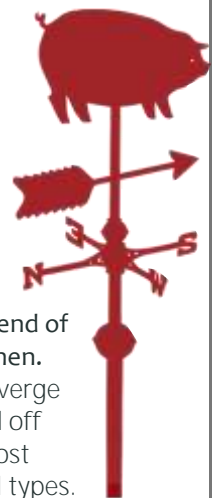


Peru Country Fair
Celebrate Peru's 35th

old fashioned country fair on
Saturday, September 24, 2016.

Fabulous Pig Roast, Music & Family Entertainment, Vermont Crafts, Cloggers, Antique & Art Exhibits, Vermont Artisans Demos, Clowns & Magicians, Pony Rides, Food & Vermont Fare, Baked Goods, & more! The Peru Fair began in 1978 as the "end of the world tag sale." but has evolved since then.

Each year approximately 100 exhibitors converge on the tiny village of Peru, Vermont located off Route 11 to display and sell their arts, but most of all to be discovered by craft seekers of all types. Proceeds of the Fair are donated to the Peru Scholarship Fund, a non-profit organization that distributes educational scholarships to the children of Peru. Parking is at Bromley Mountain, with shuttle service to the fair. More info: www.perufair.org/



Columbus Day Weekend

Peak foliage season coincides with many local events, including the Harvest Arts & Crafts Show & Oktoberfest at Mount Snow, the Newfane Heritage Festival on the Village Green in Newfane in the beautiful West River valley, and more. Plan a weekend getaway before the start of ski season!



Sun. Feb 26 – Sat. March 4, 2017 \$1,580.00 pp/do

JOIN BUCK RIDGE SKI CLUB AS WE TRAVEL TO PARK CITY, UTAH AND AMERICA'S LARGEST SINGLE SKI RESORT!

Park City Mountain Resort, now joined with The Canyons, spreads over 7300 acres with a vertical drop of 3,100' and a summit elevation of 10,000'. 38 lifts and gondolas move you about the mountains, and free public bus transit will move you throughout the town.

Trip Includes: Round-trip air between Philadelphia and Salt Lake City with ground transfers to Park City, six nights lodging at the Doubletree Hilton Hotel including full breakfast daily, and 5-of-6-day lift ticket to Park City Mountain Resort.

Flight Schedule*: Departing: DL1497 26 Feb Phila / Minneapolis Dep 830 AM / Arr 1024 AM
DL2816 26 Feb Minn / Salt Lake City Dep 1155 AM / Arr 107 PM
Returning: DL194 04 Mar Salt Lake / Phila Dep 1100 AM / Arr 511 PM nonstop!

*Flights are subject to change or delay as well as fuel surcharges. Baggage check fees are additional. You are encouraged to consider ski rental and/or trip insurance. Tickets are name-specific; if you must cancel but can get a replacement, you will still be liable for any change fees.

The Doubletree: The Doubletree offers well-appointed rooms equipped with free wi-fi, flat screen TV's, and a mini-fridge. Hotel amenities include a fitness center, large outdoor heated pool and whirlpool, restaurant, and lounge. The Doubletree is just minutes from historic downtown Park City and the mountains with a stop on the free Park City Transit System outside the door.

Lift Tickets: Lift tickets are for 5 of 6 days at the mountain. Senior pricing (-\$100) starts at age 65.

Payment Schedule and Refunds: First payment of \$525 due by 9/15/16; \$525 by 11/1/16; final payment of \$525 or balance due by 12/30/2016. All reservations or refund requests must be made by December 30, 2016. Refunds after 1/1/2017 will be made only if a replacement can be found, and may incur cancellation charges

Reservations & Questions: Send reservation form to Michael Fernandez, 1118 Kings Highway, Swedesboro NJ 08085; phone 609-254-8461 or email amf22000@yahoo.com.

Bonus! All Epic Pass holders and trip participants with a 5 day lift ticket staying at the Doubletree will receive a \$100 Helly Hansen gift card from Vail Resorts. If you are interested in purchasing the popular Epic Pass, you can do so thru Winter Ski and Sport for an additional \$223 added to the trip price for the Epic Local Pass. See the web site at www.snow.com/epic-pass.aspx for the various Epic pass benefits. If you already have an Epic Pass that includes Park City, you MUST provide the pass number before the trip is finalized.

RESERVATION FORM — park city, Utah 2/26/17 - 3/4/17

Complete this form (one per person) and return with your payment and a completed release form (found on bottom of ski schedule). Please make checks payable to Buck Ridge Ski Club and send to Michael Fernandez, 1118 Kings Hwy, Swedesboro NJ 08085

Full Name (as appears on government issued ID): _____

Home Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Roommate Request: _____ King Bed? (circle one) Y N Note: a limited number of king beds are available and will be assigned on a first come first served basis)

Base Price: \$1,575.00 Adjustments: \$ _____ Total Cost: \$ _____ First Deposit: \$525

Options (check as appropriate and adjust total amount due):

Lifts: Sr 65+: -\$100 ___ No lift tickets: -\$325 ___ Note: You will NOT receive a gift card if you select no lifts UNLESS you are an EPIC pass holder. Your EPIC pass number must be provided no later than final payment date. Interested in purchasing an Epic pass? Check here: ___ and additional information will be provided.

No airfare: -\$525 ___ Note: You will be required to make your own ground transfer arrangements unless arriving at the same time as the group.

WOODBRIIDGE LODGE – RESERVATION FORM

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

USAGE RATES (effective 11/1/2014)

Season	Nov 1 – Apr 30	May 1 – Oct 31
Members with Lodge Privilege	\$25.00	\$15.00
Regular Members & Guests	\$35.00	\$25.00

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

A family of three or more with Lodge Privileges pays a maximum of \$75 per night, but all family members must be listed..

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.

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 "BRSC LODGE". Mail reservation form and payment to:

Lydia Hill, 1701 School House Lane, Ambler, PA 19002

Upon receipt of payment Lydia will issue you the access code and instruction sheet for opening the Lodge. Only if you have trouble unlocking the door should you call Mike Fernandez (609-254-8461)

Any questions, email Lydia at: brsc_lodge_lmh@comcast.net

RESERVATIONS will be CONFIRMED after payment In full is received.

PLEASE USE THIS FORM FOR ALL RESERVATION REQUESTS



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