

SNOW PLOW SCRAPINGS



THE NEWSLETTER OF THE WILMINGTON SKI CLUB

February 2012

Next Meeting

February 8, 2012

Delcastle Golf Club and Restaurant

Sharise Dautel
Skiing/boarding injury prevention and tips

Chocolate Tasting



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President's Message

It saddens me to open with some very sad news. One of our past members, **Bill Dunn**, recently passed away. My most recent memory of Bill was of him slaving over the grills at our picnics. He was our BBQ chef at all of our Gore picnics for the last several years. He is survived by his wife, Barbara, who you may have had contact with because she ran the Appreciation Dinners for many years and his son, Larry, who is an active member of the club. I know I speak for all of us in wishing Barbara and Larry our condolences. He will be missed.

Well, this morning I was finally able to wake up and see snow. It's about time. First the plug—the 3rd Day Trip is scheduled for Saturday, February 4 at Sno Mountain. From members that have been on the first 2

day trips the ski reports have been very good. Maybe all of the trails have not been open but the resorts have been busy making snow. The trails that are open have more than adequate coverage so you do not need to worry about bringing your "Rock Skis." The cost is only \$75 for members and \$85 for non-members. Please contact either **Mary Lou Robinson** or myself if you would like to go.

So far this year we have had 5 ski trips. The first was the New Year's Trip to Lake Placid which I understand went well. The second trip to go was the 1st Elk Trip. I understand that they had made quite a bit of snow and the skiing was very good. The third was the week-long trip to Lake Tahoe. Even though it had not snowed, they had also done a very

good job with snow-making and the skiing (green and blue) was very good. Friday, January 20 the fourth and fifth trips went. The fourth was the 2nd Elk Trip and, again, I understand that they had done an excellent job making snow. The fifth trip to go so far this season was the Italy Trip. They should now be eating the first of many Italian dinners. Apparently they had 15 cm of new snow today and the base is 50 cm and their website says that all of the lifts are open and the slopes are perfectly prepared.

Hopefully you have all been getting in shape because it appears that ski season may finally be upon us.

See you at the next meeting!

Bob Viscup

Events and Happy Hours

There are Happy Hours and cross country skiing and ice skating!!!! The year has just begun and we're off to a roaring start. Just don't scare the horses!

The holidays are over and

you may be looking for a great event to attend. Or you may have an event in mind. March is a very windy month—you may want to fly a kite. Whatever it is, if you have an event in mind (coming up in March if you

want it in the next newsletter), contact **Beth Lovering**. She will be happy to help you coordinate the event and get it posted in the next Snow Plow Scrapings.



Officer and Council Member Directory



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*Denotes a non-voting position.

Council meetings are held at 7:00 PM the last Tuesday of each month, Delcastle Golf Course & Restaurant. Council meetings are open to all WSC members.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION: Prospective members wishing to join Wilmington Ski Club can pick up an application at the monthly club meeting or download a membership form from our website (www.wilmski.org) and mail to WSC, PO Box 1331, Wilmington, DE 19899 along with your check made out to WSC. Yearly Dues: \$30.00 (individual) or \$42.00 (family) membership.
CHANGE OF SNAIL-MAIL OR E-MAIL ADDRESS: Send any change of address information to: **Wilmington Ski Club, P.O. Box 1331, Wilmington, DE 19899** or wscScrapings@gmail.com.

MEETINGS: 8:00 PM on the **second Wednesday** of each month

Delcastle Golf Course, 801 McKennan's Church Road, Wilmington, DE 19808.

SNOW PLOW SCRAPINGS is the monthly newsletter of the Wilmington Ski Club. *Please contact the Membership Committee about subscription problems.*

In order to have the Snow Plow Scrapings printed in a timely manner, no submittals will be accepted after the 15th of each month.

Please e-mail submittals to wscScrapings@gmail.com. All submissions are subject to WSC Council approval.



SHARISE J. DAUTEL
Certified MDT, PT

CHOCOLATE TASTING!!!!

LOOKING FOR SOMEWHERE TO HAVE DINNER BEFORE THE MEETING???

LOOK NO FURTHER ... DELCASTLE GOLF CLUB & RESTAURANT

Check out the website for the menu:

www.delcastlegc.com



WSC Meeting Speakers

WSC strives to provide interesting and informative speakers for our meetings. We need your input. Let us know if there is a topic of interest to the Club and we'll investigate. Is there something you would like to know more about? Do YOU have a little known skill or talent that others would enjoy? Limit 15-20 minute presentation. Let us know! Contact **Beth Lovering** at 302-290-9200 or bllovering@comcast.net.

Meetings

**Wednesday,
February 8, 2012
Delcastle Golf Club &
Restaurant**

801 McKennan's Church Road
Wilmington, DE 19808

Socializing at 7:30pm
Cash Bar
General Meeting at 8:00pm

[Get directions](#)

SKIING AND SNOWBOARDING: INJURY PREVENTION AND SIMPLE TIPS

**Sharise J. Dautel
Certified MDT, PT of
Performance Physical
Therapy and Fitness**

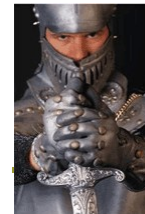
Sharise has been a physical therapist for 25 years in the North Wilmington community.
www.pptandfitness.com

CHOCOLATE TASTING

- Bring your favorite chocolate to share.
- Share any type of chocolate creation you want (it has to be edible).
- It can be homemade or store bought.
- It can be cookies, cakes, candy or drinks. AND any type of chocolate (white, dark, milk, etc.) will be enjoyed.

THE GAUNTLET IS TOSSED

Bart Driscoll has won our past 2 contests. Though February is simply a fun event and no prizes, the pressure is on.



Last Month's Meeting

Bart Driscoll won January's Chili Contest with his "Turkey & Beef Chili." Bart raised and dried beans from his garden (he really did).

Marty Drinan gave us a "Veggie Chili with Beer." I'm sure it was beer that Marty brewed in his basement.

Mike Roberts offered up "Steak and Black Bean Chili" from a steer that he raised in his back yard.



Bart Driscoll "Tebowing" his Turkey & Beef Chili



Bart Driscoll, Marty Drinan and Mike Roberts

Events



FEBRUARY 3
James Street Tavern
 Route 4 in Newport
 at the Route 141 interchange
 (302) 998-6903
<http://www.jstavern.com/>

FEBRUARY 10
Sullivan's Steakhouse
 5525 Concord Pike, (Rt 202)
 Wilmington, DE 19803-1429
 (302) 479-7970
<http://sullivansteakhouse.com/>

HAPPY HOURS FEBRUARY, 2012

FEBRUARY 17
Horace Shellhammer's
 9 University Drive, (University Plaza)
 Newark, DE 19702
 (302) 738-0758

FEBRUARY 24
Lone Star Steakhouse
 113 South Dupont Highway, (Rt 13)
 New Castle, DE 19720-4127
 (302) 322-3854
<http://www.lonestarsteakhouse.com>

Fridays
Starting at 5:30 PM

For more information, contact **Bob Jamieson** at 302-376-1319. Call the *Wilmington Ski Club Hotline* for Happy Hour dates and times at 610-241-8477.

LOOKING FOR LOCAL CROSS COUNTRY SKIING OPPORTUNITIES?



Contact **Robin Kershaw**

rskershaw@comcast.net

#302-475-4620

The start of a World Cross Country event is like riding a horse in the middle of a buffalo stampede. It's a thrill if you keep up, but one slip and you're nothing but hoof prints.

- Ed Eyestone

ICE SKATING



Sunday, February 26
1:00—3:00 pm

Not enough snow to ski?

Well, there is plenty of frozen ice at [The Pond in Newark!](#)

Come join us for some vigorous figure 8s, or a leisurely waltz around the indoor rink! (Hopefully not on your bottom!) Either way, it's a good work-out, and a lot of fun! The Admission is \$7 for adults and kids. Skate rentals are \$3.00. There is a food/snack bar, with hot chocolate to warm us up. The address is 101 John Campbell Rd., which is

off of Marrows Rd. It can be reached by 273 or Rt. 4 (down the road from Dairy Queen). Please call if you need further directions, and to let me know if you are coming. **Sherry Palese** (410) 398-1856. or sherry-palese@gmail.com. Hope to see you on the ice! I won't be the one in the middle doing Triple Toe Loops! By the way, don't worry,

Tonya Harding already told me she can't make it! The Pond phone # is (302) 266-0777. It is behind a Toyota dealership. It is also conveniently located just down the road from [2 Stones Pub](#), if anyone wants some good grub, or a good beverage afterwards! Please join us!

Day Trips

2012 DAY TRIP SCHEDULE

Sno Mountain	Saturday, February 4
Elk Mountain	Friday, February 17
Elk Mountain (Party Trip)	Friday, March 2

Contact **Mary Thurman** @
thurmski@verizon.net or
 (302) 529-7616.

A WSC TRADITION: The WSC will subsidize up to \$30 for a first time Beginner Skier or Snow Boarder on any Day Trip. This includes rentals, lessons and beginner area lift pass.

All day trips will leave from Brandywine Town Center on Rt 202 (across from Loews)

BEGINNER PROGRAM AND COMPENSATION POLICY

Purpose of this Program and Policy:

- To promote the activities of downhill snow skiing/snow boarding.
- To encourage members who have not tried downhill skiing/boarding to attend a day trip, and participate in a beginner program that includes a lesson.
- To promote the Wilmington Ski Club as an all-skills-level club, and to encourage non-members to join the club and to try the sport.
- To help make first time downhill skiers/boarders as comfortable as possible with the idea of trying the sport, and with the process of signing up for a trip.
- To ensure that funds are available for the express use of providing beginner lessons for first time downhill snow sports participants.

Those Eligible:	Any first time skier/boarder who is a Wilmington Ski Club Member in good standing
Exclusion:	Those who have previous downhill experience in either skiing or boarding.
When Applicable:	Any Wilmington Ski Club sponsored Ski/Board Day Bus Trip.
What is Covered:	The Mountain's Beginner Program, which typically includes Rentals, Lesson, and Beginner Area Lift Pass.
Amount Allowed:	Price as per the Mountain's Beginner Program Package, up to \$30.00
Trip Leader Responsibilities:	The Day Trip Leader will make the arrangements to obtain the Beginner Program Package for the participant. Upon arrival at the mountain, the trip leader will assist the beginner with any directions needed to the ski school and rental areas, and assure that the beginner is appropriately enrolled in a beginner lesson. The trip leader should realize that the beginner may be completely unfamiliar the whole process. For instance, he or she may not know what items are included in the rental package, or how to secure the lift pass to their jacket. As such, the trip leader should make any reasonable attempt to assist the beginner with details such as these. The trip leader will submit the cost of the Beginner Program Package, not to exceed \$30.00, in the trip accounting. If the cost is more than \$30.00, the balance will be collected from the participating member at the trip sign-up.



WSC is on Facebook!! Become a "Friend" at <http://www.facebook.com/#!/group.php?gid=17433733814&ref=ts> or search on "Wilmington Ski Club."

Day Trips



SNO MOUNTAIN SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2012 \$75 MEMBERS - \$85 NON-MEMBERS

Leaving: 6:00 am from [Brandywine Town Center](#), Park & Ride (across from Lowe's) with Delaware Express Motor Coach
 Returning: 8:00 pm — leaves Sno Mountain at 5:00 pm
 Includes: Lift ticket, transportation, bus driver tip, subs, chips, snacks, water and soft drinks; Happy Hour at 4:00 pm — BYOB
 Cost: \$75 for WSC Members
 Bring a non-member for an additional \$10 (where additional cost can be credited towards their membership)
 Club will subsidize members \$30 for First Time Skiers and Snowboarders
 Leader: **Mary Lou Robinson**—Phone: (484) 840-9189—Email: mary.robinson@juno.com
 Co-Leader: **Bob Viscup**—Phone: - (302) 594-4588—Email: viskuprobert1@comcast.net
 Make Check Payable to: Wilmington Ski Club
 Mail Check to: Mary Lou Robinson
 1213 Split Rail Drive
 Garnet Valley, PA 19060

JUST ADDED!!!
**ELK MOUNTAIN
 PARTY TRIP
 March 2**
 Check out wilmski.org for more information



ELK MOUNTAIN FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2012 \$72 MEMBERS - \$82 NON-MEMBERS

Leaving: 6:00 am from [Brandywine Town Center](#), Park & Ride (across from Lowe's) with Delaware Express Motor Coach
 Returning: 8:00 pm — leaves Elk Mountain at 5:00 pm
 Includes: Lift ticket, transportation, bus driver tip, subs, chips, snacks, water and soft drinks; Happy Hour at 4:00 pm — BYOB
 Cost: \$72 for WSC Members
 Bring a non-member for an additional \$10 (where additional cost can be credited towards their membership)
 Club will subsidize members \$30 for First Time Skiers and Snowboarders
 Leader: **Ed Talarowski** —Phone: (302) 379-0749—Email: etala@comcast.net
 Co-Leader: **Mary Ann Wilson** —Phone: (302) 545-7858—Email: marewilson1@comcast.net
 Make Check Payable to: Wilmington Ski Club
 Mail Check to: Ed Talarowski
 306 Mitchell Drive
 Wilmington, DE 19808

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Long Trips



TELLURIDE 2012 February 11-18 \$1,690 per person, double occupancy... \$2,360 single supplement



Trip Leaders: **Sam Severance** (610-388-0922), severasw@gmail.com;
Scott Allen (302-998-7436), yall1999@yahoo.com



VAIL, COLORADO March 3—10, 2012 \$1,690 per person (double occupancy)



Trip leaders: **Kurt Tappe** (ktappe@mac.com, 302-290-4371)
Larry Kiss (larryriss@gmail.com, 302-358-8963)



Race Team

Our first race of 2012 was at Elk, January 7 and 8. There had been just enough cold weather to open some of the "black" trails, including Slalom. Slalom is our favorite race trail in PA. Unfortunately, the snow conditions were such that the race crew could not set a safe GS course, so we raced slalom both days. Many of us prefer to race GS because it is faster and technically easier. But it was exciting to get two days of slalom on a great race trail.

Susan Maximuk and one of our new members, **Kathy Hart**, both placed first in their age groups both days. **Paul Fowser** and **Ron Konza** are both in one of the toughest age groups. Both had had third place finishes: Paul on Saturday and Ron on Sunday. **Rich Zober** finished in second place both days in his age group and **Fred Forbes** finished in first place on Saturday and in second place on

Sunday in his age group.

We had enough racers and good enough times to finish second on Saturday and third on Sunday in team competition. This is especially satisfying. We had enough racers for a team and they did well.

Please note that the website had a race at Sno Mountain in February. That was listed in error.

The race at Roundtop is a good race to attend if you have never raced before or have limited race experience. Let me know if you are interested and will help usher you through.

We are looking forward to our races at Belleayre in New York in mid-February. Belleayre is an interesting mountain. It is bigger than anything in the Poconos and it has some really good runs, including our favorite race course, Dot Neble. Belleayre is state run, so there is some bu-

reaucratic quirkiness. But on the good side, the area is not over-developed, so the mountain is often not over-crowded.

There are some open dates in February; hopefully our race team will be able to have a NASTAR race day at Sno or one of the other mountains that have NASTAR on the weekend.

On a sad note, our buddy **Fred Forbes** had a season ending injury at Bear Creek. He was playing in the terrain park with kids when he should have been doing edge-set drills. It is sad not to be able to race with him the rest of this year. But he should be recovered enough for golf season and go-cart racing season.

Think Even Just a Little Snow, Please!

Bill Champion

WSC Council Meeting

February 28, 2012
7 pm

DelCastle Golf Club & Restaurant

Minutes available upon request

2012 RACE TEAM SCHEDULE

Date	Location	
February 5, 2012	Pico Peak, VT	SL
February 11, 2012	Roundtop, PA	GS and SL
February 18, 2012	Belleayre, NY	GS
February 19, 2012	Belleayre, NY	SL
February 25, 2012	Hunter, NY	GS
March 3, 2012	TBA	Training Courses
March 4, 2012	TBA	Training Courses
March 8-11, 2012	Championships at Pico, VT	TR/SG/GS/SL

GS—Giant Slalom—ski back and forth across the hill through the gates. Most "civilian races," like NASTAR, are GS. GS is less "technical" (i.e. easier) than SL and faster than SL.

SL—Slalom—Ski directly through the gates. Sometimes called "gate bashing." Most "technical" and slowest of the racing disciplines.

SG—SuperG—"Turny" like GS but fast and open like Downhill. We love Super-G.

NASTAR— National STAndard Race

BILL DUNN

Bill Dunn, age 75, passed away peacefully on January 21, 2012. Bill was a past member of our club and will be truly missed. He will always be remembered by the support he showed WSC. His wife, Barbara, organized Appreciation Dinners for many years. Our condolences to Barbara, her son Larry, and the entire family at this time. Flowers were sent from WSC.

Membership

Membership forms are available on our website at www.wilmski.org/ and click on "Membership." Dues are annual: \$30 (single) or \$42 (family). A real bargain for a lot of skiing, boarding and a whole lot more!

National Ski Club Newsflash

Visit the [National Ski Club Newsflash](#) latest issue:

- Vail to Celebrate 50th Anniversary with New High-Capacity Gondola
- New Trails for Maine's Appalachian Mountain Club
- Mt. Rose Submits 10-Year Improvement Plan
- Marmot Basin Opens New Quad Chairlift
- Peak Resorts Buys Jack Frost Mountain and Big Boulder area



PHOTO GALLERY

Check out the new photo gallery on the WSC website www.wilmski.org

Send your pictures from any WSC event to be posted. Please limit the number of photos sent to 10 and include names, locations or any other information that will make the photo intelligible.

Send your photos to the *Scrapings* mailbox at wscscrapings@gmail.com



EPSC

EPSC Council Day and Race will be held on March 4, 2012 at Bear Creek Mountain Resort. Look for details on the day as well as new rules and registration for the Council Race.

<http://www.easternpaskicouncil.org>

One of the benefits of club membership in the Eastern Pennsylvania Ski Council is that club members may participate in free learn-to-ski lessons at Pennsylvania's Spring Mountain Ski Area. The lessons are held each Monday night during most of the ski season and are taught by club/council members who are certified by either the ASIA or PSIA — or both.



Top 10 Reasons to Ski with a Ski Club

10. No hassle planning.
9. Benefit of group rates for everyone.
8. Fantastic ski areas.
7. Excellent lodging properties.
6. Organized get-togethers—just show up.
5. Opportunities for multiple ski trips throughout the ski season.
4. Fun events on trips (après-ski parties, wine and cheese parties, dinners, etc.)
3. Hundreds of skiing friends of similar abilities to ski with.
2. No yelling "single" in the lift lines.
1. It's so much fun! Just ask anyone who's been there before.

- *National Ski Club*

Inter Alia (or among other things)

Find this information at the WSC website at www.wilmski.org

- Trip Sign-up Policy
- WSC Trip Payment Schedule
- WSC Trip Cancellation and Refund Policy
- Trip Insurance



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**We're all about skiing, boarding
and a whole lot more!**



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Skiing/Boarding and chocolate just go together naturally. Mt. Washington Valley has the 23rd Annual Chocolate Festival that you ski, cross country, snowshoe or drive from inn-to-inn to enjoy chocolate treats.

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