



PRESIDENT'S UPDATE –September 2017

If you've been following the ski area reports and the Crescent Ski Council and NSCF Facebook and Twitter pages, you'll know that the snow is already falling at most of the resorts out west and in Canada. The "Race to Open" is now on – which will it be this season – Loveland, A-Basin, or maybe it will be Mammoth since they barely closed for the season in August and area already getting snow out there.

Reminder, if you haven't yet done so, sign up for the Crescent Steamboat, Mammoth or Killington trip. It's going to be another incredible season and might even pass the record snows from last year.

CONVENTIONS (Michelle Shuford)

REMINDER, the dates for this year's **CSC Fall Conference** are **October 20-22, 2017**. Tomorrow, **September 26th**, is the deadline for lodging reservations at Glenstone Lodge. You will need to reserve your rooms no later than tomorrow if you want them. We will be dropping our block of any unreserved rooms tomorrow, and there is another group waiting to snatch them up. It's a beautiful time of year to be in Gatlinburg!

As advised previously, there is a change for our Racing and Trips meeting this year. To save time, money, and effort, lunch will be brought onsite (probably from Subway and include a variety of subs, including veggie only) so you can continue your meetings without being hungry. We have permission from the Glenstone to do this. **Please bring \$5 with you to the meeting for your lunch.** Also, it is very important to indicate on the Registration Form how many are attending, so we make sure we have enough food and drinks. There will be subs, chips, and water. Maybe cookies if you are good (meaning you REGISTER)!

Make this a "club" outing. A hike is also being planned for Saturday morning into the early afternoon.

Hope you've been working on your costumes for Saturday night's Halloween Party. Cost is \$30 for the dinner and all included. Cost is \$10 for the party only (no dinner). We have an hour for dinner so you can eat and have time to get into your costume if you wish.

The Fall Conference flyer and registration form is attached and is also posted on Crescent's website in the Conventions Section. Please pass these along to your members. Deadline again for hotel reservations at Glenstone Lodge is **tomorrow, September 26th**. The deadline for **registration** for the weekend is **October 7th**.

Look forward to seeing y'all in Gatlinburg next month!! Questions, contact Mary Anne or Michelle.

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Michelle Shuford, CSC Conventions Committee Chair, skibumlong@aol.com

CRESCENT TRIPS (Lisa Beregi)

The season is upon us, snow is starting fall in areas, we actually saw a random flurry while at the NSCF meeting in Sun Peaks this month!

Steamboat: You still have until November 1st to register for the one and only CSC Race and Learn to Ski Camp! There is no other training experience like it and definitely nothing comes close to the value.

Mammoth: Sign-ups are picking up and we've broke the 100 mark. September had second payments due so hurry before we have to drop lodging. They haven't even been closed 2 months (Aug 7th closing date) and are looking at opening again in just over a month!

Killington: Second payments are due in October. Trip Leaders need to have good numbers they expect from their clubs on this trip at the Fall Conference trip meeting.

2019: The bids are in and Power Points for the two short listed destinations, **Crested Butte** and **Telluride** will be going out to Trip Leaders this week. The intent is for them to share at October club meetings so they can vote for the members of each club on their preferred destination during Fall Conference.

Any questions regarding trips, contact **Lisa Beregi, Crescent Trip Chair**, at drlab88@aol.com.

RACING (Ron Scott)

The support of all club officers to Crescent racing is beneficial to all of Crescent. When each of you recruits new racers, you are building a dedicated support team for your race team and club. Crescent Racing has sent some of its racers on the higher competitive levels such as skiing academies, collegiate racing programs and the U.S. Adaptive Ski Team. Crescent Racing promotes core values like team participation, perseverance and respect as the roadmap to success. Crescent Racing helps develop programs that provide lifelong skills to its racers.

Did you know that in the Crescent Ski Council there is a program that encourages family participation, and promotes good sportsmanship, friendly competition, and socializing with old friends while making new friends? This Crescent program helps teach young people and adults how to have fun in a structured environment by participating within its rules and regulations. Also, this Crescent program is **CRESCENT RACING** and it has been part of the Crescent Ski Council since 1973.

If you would like more information on Crescent Racing, please feel free to contact **Ron Scott, Crescent Race Director**, anytime, Rscott013@ncc.rr.com.

As I mentioned to everyone at the Spring Convention Meeting, I was once again trying to line up a past Olympian, or current top-level racer and or coach for the Steamboat Race Clinic. Nelson Wingard who is head of the Steamboat Ski School has received confirmation from Debbie Armstrong to coach the top-level group at the December Crescent Racing race camp this year. Debbie was one of America's top Olympians and World Cup racers. Debbie has also been the coach of the Steamboat Winter Sports Club.

CSC MEMBER PERK – POINT 6 SOCKS

Please share the 25% off Point 6 sock, Crescent Ski Council discount with all your club members and friends. Point 6 Sock Company donated one pair of Point 6 socks to each Race Camp participant this year at Steamboat. Now, Point 6 socks is offering all Crescent members and their friends a 25% discount on Point 6 socks. All one needs to do is use the code “CSC” and receive a 25% discount off internet orders, www.point6.com. For all internet orders over \$50 free shipping is offered. This offer is extended to all CSC members and their friends, so spread the word. Point 6 Sock Company was started by Peter Duke who founded Smartwool Sock Company. The quality, comfort, and fit of Point 6 socks are better than what one experienced from other wool socks.

MEMBER SERVICES (Ken Lumsden)

Reminder to make sure to send your Officer/Director/BOD/Rep updates to Bruce McMurray, Database Coordinator, at snowdavgasoc@bellsouth.net. Please help us keep the Club database up-to-date. Include name, mailing address, phone numbers (home, work, mobile), email address and Board position(s). Thanks.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Crescent is on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. We regularly post lots of information from resorts and report ski industry news from all over the country. Follow us on our Social Media sites!! You can tag us at “Crescentski” on any posts on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram. Crescent Facebook page is at <https://www.facebook.com/CrescentSki> and the Crescent Racing Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/crescentskiracing>. Spread the word to your members!!

Crescent Racing (“Crescentskiracing”) is also on Facebook and we would like to add Twitter and Instagram for Racing. We have added some racers who will be posting pictures and racing updates. We are still looking for racers would like to help us set up Twitter and Instagram for Racing. If interested, please contact Pat Harvey.

A big thank you to the Clubs who are retweeting Crescent’s tweets. Follow us and tag us on pictures also on Instagram .

Any questions, ideas or suggestions regarding Social Media, please contact Crescent’s Social Media Chair, Pat Harvey, at crescentskipresident@gmail.com.

NATIONAL SKI COUNCIL FEDERATION

Lisa Beregi (CSC Trip Chair and NSCF current President), Margaret Crum (CSC Past President & Eastern Council Rep for NSCF and yours truly (representing CSC as President and also Social Media Chair for NSCF) attended this year’s NSCF Annual Meeting in beautiful Sun Peaks in British Columbia, Canada, earlier this month. Sun Peaks is the 2nd largest ski area in Canada. We will be sharing a lot of valuable information on Sun Peaks and the meeting at the Fall Conference.

Reminder, as a member of Crescent Ski Council, you are also a member of the **National Ski Council Federation** (“NSCF”). NSCF has some excellent benefits and discounts available and more are being added regularly. Please visit the website, www.skifederation.org, for member only benefits. There are some fabulous products and offers so check them out.

The NSCF site allows you to search the benefits by category allowing you to find what you're looking for much faster. You'll need to register on NSCF's website but once you're signed up, you can take advantage of all the benefits that are available. Please spread the word to your Club members NSCF is actively pursuing additional vendors to add to its nationwide program. If anyone has any suggestions to make the site better, or can recommend any new providers for benefits they should pursue, notify them at benefits@skifederation.org.

NSCF is on Facebook, reminder to like the page, <https://www.facebook.com/National-Ski-Council-Federation-178192492206742/>. NSCF is also on Twitter and Instagram (@natlskifed). Any questions on the NSCF social media pages, contact NSCF Social Media Chair, Pat Harvey, at crescentskipresident@gmail.com.

National Ski Council Federation **2017 Silent Auction**

Bomber Skis, endorsed and used by Bode Miller, has donated one pair of their All Mountain Red Baron skis, with a retail value of \$1900, to the federation to auction only to our members.

Opening MINIMUM bid: \$500 Minimum Increase: \$50.00

Bidding STARTS on Tuesday, September 12th at 9:00 AM

Bidding will END on Saturday, September 30th at midnight.

Email bids to skis@skifederation.org.

We will post the bids and time received in the Members Only Section of the website, www.skifederation.org.

Winner has the option of having the skis shipped or the can pick them up if they are near New York City. Shipping costs are EXTRA. They are NOT part of the BID PRICE.

Members need to be a registered user of the website to gain access to the Members Only Area. Sign up is easy, just follow the "Login/Register" link located in the upper right side of the home page at www.skifederation.org. All bids will be posted in time received order. **The winning bid will be announced on October 1st.**

The winning bid will be able to select from four (4) sizes, 152, 162, 172 and 182.



Bomber Ski was launched in 2013 with one goal: producing the best skis that man, modern technology, and the highest quality materials can produce. Our seasoned master craftsmen use the finest methods to construct full wood core skis that deliver unparalleled performance.

In 2015 Bode Miller, the most decorated American ski racer of all time, sought out Bomber Ski because of the marked difference in quality of our products, service and vision. Over the next year we realized our common goal and shared passion of elevating the ski experience for every level of skier through superior quality skis.

LAST BUT NOT LEAST

Reminder to please pass along the monthly President's Updates to your members, include them in your Club newsletters and/or place them on your Club's web site. Let's keep our members informed! If you don't publish a newsletter, direct your members to Crescent's website, www.crescentskicouncil.org. The President's Updates are posted there each month. If your Club sends electronic newsletters and emails to your members, please copy me!! I want to give a super big thanks to all the Clubs who send me their newsletters and updates. You all have great events and trips all year-long!! I also follow all the Clubs' social media pages – the posts and pictures show what a fun time has been had by a lot of you this summer. Wish I could have joined in on some of your events – they definitely were a blast!!

As you know, an “Organizational Development” (f/k/a Admin meeting) scheduled for Saturday morning at the Fall Conference. Please make sure to have a member of your Club try to attend. We know the meeting conflicts with the Racing and Trips meetings, but we'd like to see as many Clubs at the Organizational Development as possible. Please send me your ideas and suggestions as to what you would like to discuss during this meeting and if possible, who from your Club will be able to attend. Thank you.

Keep the ideas coming to keep Crescent the BEST Council in the country!! New volunteers are always welcome!! Please send me your suggestions and recommendations. Have a great rest of the summer – Fall (thankfully) is going to be arriving soon.

Patricia (“Pat”) Harvey, President

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