



PRESIDENT'S UPDATE – PLEASE SHARE!

February 2021

Even though Crescent cancelled Telluride, 26 of the 76 registered decided to go. According to the posted pictures, they have enjoyed great snow days, fun times skiing, and awesome food. Several of our member clubs, including Charlotte, Palmetto, Huntsville, Chattanooga, Nashville, and Knoxville either have been on ski trips or have them planned through the next two months. Some of them have openings, so if you want to ski, be sure to check with them.

The Crescent racing series has two weekends left as you can read about in Rich's section. Make sure your club members know that non-racers may also attend these weekends to take advantage of the discounted lift tickets. So far, the conditions for the first two racing weekends at Appalachian and Sugar Mountains were great. Conditions for App II this weekend are looking good, as well.

Your Executive Committee (ExComm) has some openings. Please consider volunteering! Ask during your club meetings, gatherings, happy hours, etc. Currently vacant is the Database Coordinator position that functions under Member Services. The Secretary position is open as Sandy is resigning and Michelle would love to have someone take the Conventions chair position. Also, if you are interested in helping in any capacity, by serving in one of these or another position, or would like more information about a position, please let me or Pat Harvey know. Voting for the slate of officers takes place during the Spring Board of Directors meeting and the winners take office June 1. I look forward to hearing from YOU!

Please share this Update with your members by including it in your Club's newsletters and/or placing it on your Club's website. You can also direct your members to Crescent's website, <https://www.crescentskicouncil.org/>, where the President's Update is posted. Please add me to your e-list if your Club sends electronic newsletters and emails to your members, and also be sure to send them to Pat Harvey, Social Media Chair. Additionally, Crescent loves new volunteers - you are always welcome to join us! I would love to hear your suggestions and/or recommendations. Feel free to contact me with your interests or to learn more about your Council. Keep the ideas coming to keep Crescent the **BEST** Council in the country!

PAST PRESIDENT (Pat Harvey)

Election of Crescent officers for the 2021/22 year will be held at the Spring Convention in April. Sandy McQuain has advised us that after 4 years in the position of Secretary, she plans to step down. It's time to start thinking about running for one of the offices and volunteering to be on a Committee. Elections will be held at the Board of Directors meeting at the Spring Convention in April. Let me know if you'd like more information about any of the Crescent offices.

SOCIAL MEDIA (Pat Harvey)

Crescent continues to follow news from the ski areas on how they're handling this unique season. Some Crescent members chose to still go to Telluride this past week after the official trip was cancelled. A big thanks to Chuck Young and Teresa Bowers for posting some great pictures of the group who went and thanks to Sara Clemons of Sports America for making it happen. We are sharing pictures from the Club

trips – Charlotte recently had a super fun trip to Zermatt Resort & Spa and skied in Deer Valley, Sundance, and Park City; Chattanooga went to Taos and stayed at Snakedance condominiums. If your Club has any trips or activities, tag us @crescentski. We follow all the Clubs who have Facebook pages so we will share pictures from your trips. You can also send pics and trip info to Pat Harvey for posting.

Remember as you promote and sell your trips for the 2020/21 season, let Sue Chadwick and Pat know and we'll post to the Council's website and social media pages. Simply put together a paragraph or two including all of the information and contacts for your trips and we'll post the info on Facebook and the Council's website.

Follow Crescent on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Tag us @crescentski on any of your posts. Crescent Racing (@Crescentskiracing) is also on Facebook. Any questions, ideas or suggestions regarding Social Media, please contact me. Keep spreading the word on Crescent's Social Media pages to your Club members and friends.

Pat Harvey
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CRESCENT TRIPS (Lisa Beregi)

It looks like 2021 started a lot like 2020 ended, many clubs have had to cancel some trips. With vaccines ongoing, hopefully the next few months will find travel a bit more favorable.

The Telluride Ski Week was cancelled, but 26 CSC members continued on their own, and they have been posting pics and look to be having a great time!!

Steamboat Race and Learn to Ski Camp is scheduled for December 4-11, 2021. We are currently working on the contracts and plan to have them ready for Spring roll out.

The 2022 Ski Week to Sun Valley is scheduled for January 15-22, also planning for Spring roll out.

For those of you able to continue with your club trips, keep posting so all can see the fun you're having and how things are moving in a positive direction.

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CONVENTIONS (Michelle Shuford)

Spring Convention: We continue to make plans for the Spring Convention in April of 2021. Many clubs have sent in their Condo requests at this time, but we are still missing requests from several of you. Although the February deadline has been removed from the schedule, you need to be thinking about your rooming lists and final payments by March 12. If you don't have the revised confirmation & rooming list forms, please go to Crescentskicouncil.org/Conventions to download them. Please send the rooming list info via email to myself and Margaret Crum and mail the payments to her.

I am sure we all still have questions about holding the Convention in light of the pandemic. At this time Kingston assures us they will work with us as long as we make the effort to have this convention. But that effort does have to come from the individual clubs! We are moving forward with Tennis, Golf, Mini-Golf, and Beach Olympics plans. Stay tuned for how those are going to be organized, especially the Beach Olympics. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Hope to see everyone @ the beach!

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Fall Conference: The contract has been signed with the Glenstone Lodge in Gatlinburg, so our Fall Conference is scheduled. Be sure to put the dates of October 22 - 24, 2021 in your calendar and make plans to attend. At this time, we are predicting we will have a DJ party Saturday night with the Trade Show Saturday afternoon, and dinner on your own.

Room rate is \$96 plus tax for CSC club members and \$116 plus tax for vendors. This group rate will be honored 3 days prior and 3 days post event, so you can have extra time to enjoy Gatlinburg, Pigeon Forge, and of course, our beautiful Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Registration forms and schedule information will be sent to you at a later date. Please contact me for any questions.

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RACING (Rich Mead)

Though the pandemic has diminished participation numbers, the Race Program held our second race of the season at Sugar Mountain, January 9-10. The race weekend began with 12 racers at a gate training session at Appalachian Friday night. Meanwhile, Sugar Mountain spent the week prior to the race blowing snow on Oma's Meadow to ensure a snow depth to set gates. Oma's was our first choice for a one division race and we were pleased to have Sugar honor the request. Oma's is the slope that Division 2 historically has raced on and is one of the longest slopes we race on. Eighty racers on Saturday and 90 on Sunday turned out to compete and enjoy the outdoors and socially distanced camaraderie.

We return to race at Appalachian again January 30-31 and then back to Sugar February 20-21. Unfortunately, the race at Beech scheduled for 6-7 was cancelled after Beech determined the demands of Covid-19 procedures made hosting our race, as well as other events and races, no longer feasible. Likewise, Snowshoe had contacted us early in the season to say they would be unable to host our Crescent Cup finals, March 6-7. Despite the cancellations and smaller number of racers, those that have chosen to come race have been appreciative that the ski areas are making the effort to continue racing.

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MEMBER SERVICES (Ken Lumsden)

I appreciate the clubs for submitting updates of their contacts. Please send all future changes to me.

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NATIONAL SKI COUNCIL FEDERATION

Crescent is a Charter Member of the **National Ski Council Federation (NSCF)**. There are 29 Member Councils in NSCF across the USA. As a member of Crescent Ski Council, you are also a member of the **NSCF**. NSCF has some excellent benefits and discounts and more are being added regularly. Please visit the website, www.skifederation.org for member only benefits. The NSCF site allows you to search for all benefits by category so you can find what you are looking for much faster. You must register on NSCF's website but once you're signed up, you can take advantage of all the benefits. Please spread the word to your members so they too can take advantage of the many benefits that are available to all of you through NSCF.

Speaking of benefits: Remember the **Masterfit Buyers Guide** has been released and is free to our members. The guide is 120 pages. You can access it at <https://masterfitinc.com/buyersguide> and download the PDF. The link will also be posted on our website.

Be sure to get outside as often as you can – walk, cycle, ski, or work in the yard/garden. Please stay safe and healthy, and continue praying for each other, our country, and world.

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